# WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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Together Towards Success

# New on the website

- Children in Need day
- Firework Poem Anthology

# Forthcoming Events

#### November

- 30th Y3 Ukulele at 11.00am
  December
- ★ 1st Winter Ball
- ★ 3rd Football v Barnfield
- ★ 4th Netball Match v St Pauls
- ★ 8th Y2 Christmas Show
- ★ 10th Football v Broadfields
- ★ 10th Y1 Christmas Show
- ★ 11th Y6 WWII Event
- ★ 11th Christmas Fair
- ★ 14th Reception & Nursery PM performance
- ★ 15th Reception & Nursery AM performance
- ★ 15th Y2, Y3 & Y4 Parties
- ★ 16th School Panto
- ★ 16th Y1 & Y5 Parties
- ★ 17th Nursery last day
- ★ 17th Foundation Stage Parties
- ★ 17th Y6 Party
- ★ 17th Christmas Lunch

For more info see the website calendar.

# Celebrating Success

Tell us about your achievements outside school.

Well done to the Netball Team who, on Wednesday 25th, came back from 3 goals down vs Deansbrook to secure a well deserved 5-5 draw! Full report next week.

Follow us on Twitter @WPS\_Success



#### **Music Concert Success**

Well done to the pupils and staff who took part in yesterday's excellent Autumn Music Concert - a full report will be written for next week's newsletter.

#### **Christmas Book Fair Success**

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the Book Fair. We sold £745 worth of books, allowing us to take 60% of this total - a fantastic £446 worth of free books for the school library! Special thanks go to Mrs Smith and Miss Mercer for running the fair each evening. Look out for our next Book Fair in March.

## Winter Ball - Tuesday 1st December

Winter Ball tickets are on sale now and selling fast - look out for the flyer on the website ('News' section). Remember, we don't sell tickets on the day so don't delay.

# Year 6 Level 2 Bikeability Training



From Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November pupils in Year 6, who previously passed their Level 1 training during Y5, will be taking part in a five day intensive Bikeability training course. Every pupil who takes part will have the

opportunity to be trained to level 2. They will be cycling on local roads together with five cycling instructors and will be learning all about road safety and the correct way to cycle with confidence.

#### Y3 Ukulele Concert Invitation

Families of Year 3 pupils are invited to a special Ukulele performance on Monday at 11.00am. All pupils in Y3 learn to play this instrument, and every term they put on a short show - we look forward to seeing you in the main hall.

## Parking and Road Safety - Please Drive Carefully

We have had a number of complaints recently about unsafe driving and parking by Woodcroft parents. Child safety has got to come first, even if it means parking at a further distance from the school. Recent issues include:

- A near miss when a car mounting the pavement almost hit a child
- Cars being parked at the back of school that block the road
- Cars stopping in the road at the front of school to let children out and blocking the road.

#### Winter PE Uniform

Don't forget to send your child to school with a grey or navy blue sweatshirt and joggers for PE and games lessons during the cold weather!

# Preparing to start school in Woodcroft's Reception in 2016

If your child was born between 1 September 2011 and 31 August 2012 you will need to apply for a primary school place in Reception for the 2016/2017 academic year. Please note; attending Woodcroft's Nursery does not guarantee a place in our Reception class. Details of the application process, and eAdmissions links, can be found on the admissions pages of our website.



What Next:

1. You should submit your application online using the eAdmissions website

Parents can also download the Barnet Primary School Admissions Guide 2016.

2. The closing date for applications is 15 January 2016

## Barnet Council's Winter 'Keep Warm and Well' Scheme

Barnet Council has a campaign aimed at helping to keep older and other vulnerable residents warm and well this winter. Keeping warm over the winter months can help prevent colds, flu or more serious health problems like pneumonia. Some people are more vulnerable than others, so if you know someone who you suspect may be suffering excessively from cold housing please take a look at the information on the Keep Warm and Well website, or give them the Winter Well Helpline number (see below). For more information please visit <a href="https://www.barnet.gov.uk/winterwell">www.barnet.gov.uk/winterwell</a> or call the Winter Well Helpline on 0208 359 7441.

#### **Christmas Lunch Menu - Published on the Website**

Our special Christmas lunch will be on the 17th December. For those children who normally bring a packed lunch the deadline for booking a Christmas lunch was today! This is to enable the kitchen staff sufficient time to confirm numbers and order food. The Christmas menu has been published on our website: http://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/school-meals-information/

## **December Festive Diary**

Please take note of some of the festive events happening at Woodcroft. For more information please visit our online calendar!

- ★ 1st Winter Ball (tickets on sale)
- ★ 8th Y2 Christmas Show to families at 2.15pm
- ★ 10th Y1 Christmas Show to families at 2.15pm
- ★ 11th Y6 WWII Event in the Oak Suite and Tardis from 9.15am families invited
- ★ 11th Christmas Fair from 3.15pm
- ★ 14th Reception & Nursery PM performance at 2.15pm to families
- ★ 15th Reception & Nursery AM performance at 9.30am to families
- ★ 15th Y2, Y3 & Y4 Parties further details will be sent out by class teachers
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Whole School Attendance **₩95.7%** 

Weekly Class Attendance Champions (for week beginning 16th November) KS1 Class of the week: 2W 99.3% 2nd week with the TOP ATTENDANCE! KS2 Class of the week: 6M 98%% Well done - great

We had 60 late arrivals last week! We must arrive at school by 8.45am!