



Together Towards Success

New on the website

- Summer Strings Concert
- Barnet Athletics Event (photo gallery)
- SEND Local Offer (SEN Inclusion)

Forthcoming Events

- 4th July - 11.00am Y3 Ukulele Concert to parents
- 4th July Nursery Sports Day (school 9.15am and 2.45pm)
- 5th KS1 Sports Day 9.30am
- 6th July KS2 Sports Day 9.30am - Burnt Oak Leisure
- 8th July Brass, Woodwind, Guitar & Percussion assembly for parents 11.00am
- Saturday 9th July - J Rock and Choir perform at Graham Park Funday 12.00
- 11th July J Rock Perform at Great Big Dance Off National Finals in Birmingham
- 13th July Parents Evening 4.00pm - 7.00pm
- 13th July Y5 Class Assembly 9.00am
- 14th July Y6 Leavers Show 6.00pm
- 19th July Reception & KS1 Sports Day 9.30 Burnt Oak Leisure

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Measles, Chicken Pox and Shingles

We would like to ask for your cooperation on an important matter. One of our pupils has recently received medical treatment which puts them at serious risk if exposed to measles, chickenpox and shingles.

The best way to protect children against measles is to be immunised. If your own child has not already received this please discuss immunisation with your GP. Please let the school know if your child has suspected measles.

Our pupil is also at risk from chicken pox and would need to be given an injection within three days of contact. We would need to know immediately if your child is suspected of having chicken pox or has been in contact with the disease. It is also important to inform us if you have shingles in your household. I would like to reassure you that your child is not at any risk from this situation - but we do need your cooperation to help protect the pupil who is at risk. Thank you.

Class Teachers for September

You will be receiving the name of your child's class teacher next week. They will also be meeting their new teacher on Thursday morning. The class teachers for September will be as follows:

Nursery: Mrs Glass

Reception: Mrs Patel, Mrs Brown and Miss Cam

Year 1: Mr Huckerby and Miss Herbert

Year 2: Miss Lloyd and Miss Wray

Year 3: Miss Ryan and Mr Judd

Year 4: Miss Blyth and Miss Jackson

Year 5: Mr Patel and Miss Grabiner

Year 6: Ms Gignac, Miss Maynard, Miss Stubbings and Mr Guest

You will note that we will be saying goodbye to Mr Rees and welcoming a new teacher to our staff, Miss Jackson. Miss Jackson previously worked in Year 1 at Woodcroft last year so is very familiar with the school. You will also note that Mr Judd will be swapping his duties as PE Teacher and taking up a class based role.

Secondary Transfer Day - Thursday 7th July

Next Thursday is also secondary transfer day. Most secondary schools will have made arrangements with the Y6 pupils who are due to start in September. Please check with those schools as these arrangements do not involve Woodcroft. Y6 pupils are therefore not expected to attend Woodcroft on that day.

Football Success Continues

Well done to our footballers as their fantastic season continues. On Tuesday they beat Dollis Juniors 4 -1 to make it through to the final of their second cup competition - The Martin Cup. The England national team needs to come down and get a few tips from our amazing boys!

Industrial Action by Teachers - NUT Strike Tuesday 5th July

I informed parents on Wednesday that National Union of Teachers is planning to take industrial action on Tuesday 5th July 2016. This is over the impact of funding cuts on teacher contracts, workload and children's education. The dispute is between teachers and the government; it is not a dispute with the school or its community. I endeavour to keep parents informed of any likely impact of any strike action, so I have sent out a separate letter today outlining how Woodcroft will be affected. Any decision has been made with the safety of the pupils as a priority. Should this action be called off I will notify parents immediately. Please ensure we have your most recent mobile number in school so that you receive text alerts and updates.

School Phone Problems

Thank you for your patience regarding the phone issues we experienced this week. Our service was affected by a fault in a distribution box in Bunns Lane. Our full service has yet to resume, but we now have 2 working lines. We did send out several text updates during the disruption - if you did not receive these please inform the office so that we can update your contact details.

Sports & Games Days - *Please come along and support*

Families are invited to attend our annual Sports and Games:

- Nursery: Monday 4th at 9.15am (for morning pupils) and 2.45 (for afternoon pupils) at school
- Reception, Y1 & Y2: Tuesday 5th at 9.30am ~~Burnt Oak Leisure Centre~~ **Postponed**
- Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6: Wednesday 6th at 9.30am Burnt Oak Leisure Centre
- Reception, Y1 & Y2: Tuesday 19th at 9.30am Burnt Oak Leisure Centre - **New Date**

Summer Strings Music Concert - Report by Ariana & Zeynab (Y6)

On the 30th of June, instrumentalists from Years 4 to 6 performed in the Summer Term Strings Concert. The string players performed pieces that they either learned during tuition with Mrs Maclean and Mrs Hooker or Miss Blyth's String Ensemble group. We enjoyed some great performances from the violinists, cellists and the violists. All the string players did amazingly well. So did our teachers including the one and only 'Miss Sherring', we made her dream come true which was to make a school orchestra, and we did it!

The year sixes (us) had to make the most of the performance as it was our last year and we might never get the opportunity to play again with such amazing musicians and incredible teachers. We also had a really emotional ending when Miss Sherring was upset because it was our final concert. All the musicians and teachers that took part did amazingly well in the concert and deserved a big well done.

By Ariana and Zeynab (Y6)

Barnet Athletics Success

On Wednesday, pupils from Years 3 to 6 represented Woodcroft at the Barnet Schools Athletic Competition. Despite the rain, all of our pupils performed to their very best and came away with some outstanding results in this borough wide tournament. Mr Judd and Mr Raw were proud of the entire team. A selection of photos from the event are now on the website gallery pages. Individual medalists are listed below.

- Hira 1st Year 6 Javelin
- Suleman 1st Year 5 Long Jump
- Catte 3rd Year 5 High Jump
- Usman 3rd Year 6 Shot Put
- Billy 1st (tied) Year 6 High Jump
- Yuri 2nd Year 4 60m Sprint
- Tale 2nd Year 4 60m Sprint
- Usman 1st Year 6 400m - setting a new all time Barnet record!
- Billy 2nd Year 6 80m Sprint
- Ganna 3rd Year 5 400m
- 3rd Place Year 4 Girls Relay: Tale, Erza, Zara (Y3), Ogochukwu
- 1st Place Year 4 Boys Relay - Yuri, Delbert, Calvin, Kelechi
- 1st Place Year 6 Boys Relay - Helio, Usman, William, Billy



Girls Football Team & The Y4 Football Academy vs Chalgrove: Report by Miss Maynard

On Thursday 30th June, the Y4 boys team and the Woodcroft Girls team took part in a football festival at Chalgrove school. The matches were split into thirds and the players received coaching tips as they played. The Y4 team did incredibly well to narrowly win 11-8! The Girls team had a very comprehensive 14-0 victory! Children from both schools impressed the coaches with their excellent skills and teamwork. Well done to all the players who took part!

Year 6 Junior Citizen Day - Report by Makayla (Y6)

Year 6 went to the Canada Villa centre on Monday 27th June for a Junior Citizen Day. We learnt a lot about first aid, stranger danger and how to save yourself in a fire. We enjoyed the experience and learnt a lot too. The first half of our morning was activity based - it was fun. The second half was lead by a theatre group from Comedy School. They made an incredibly funny and enjoyable play which taught us about safety on the street and gangs. The message was portrayed very well and I would watch it again. To summarise, we learnt a lot about how to stay safe and how to save yourself in emergencies. Year 6 had a great time. By Makayla

Saracens Perform - Summer Camp



Saracens are holding a Summer Camp at Allianz Park and would like to offer an EarlyBird offer to all of Woodcroft students. Open for 6 - 16 year olds, the camps aim to teach new dance and cheer routines. For more information, please take a look at the news section of the website

Well done Cameron for organising his 'Race for Life' Charity Cake Sale

Well done to Cameron, one of our Y5 pupils, who is running the 'Race for Life' for Cancer Research. He hosted a 'Cake Sale' on Thursday to raise money for this important charity.

Woodcroft Nominated by ASDA for Green Token Scheme

If you shop at Colindale ASDA make sure you pick up a green token and choose Woodcroft in the donation box. They have heard about our J Rock dance success and want to support our participation in national events. Help us raise more money by popping your green token into the box. ***Make sure you ask at the checkout for your green token!***

Dates and Reminders

- Thursday 7th July is **Y6 Secondary Transfer Day**. Most Barnet secondary schools hold visit days for Y6 pupils due to start with them in September. Families make their own arrangements for getting their children to their secondary school. Year 6 are not expected to attend Woodcroft on that day.
- Pupils will be notified of their class teacher for September on Wednesday July 6th. **This has been moved from Tuesday due to the Industrial Action.**
- On July 7th, pupils will then spend the morning in their new class and **meet the teachers**. Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control Miss Lloyd and Miss Wray are due to be out of school on that morning, These appointments cannot be changed - therefore Y1 pupils will visit their new class on Tuesday 12th July. We apologise for any disappointment.
- **Year 3** parents are invited a **ukulele performance on Monday 4th July at 11.00am**
- **Graham Park Fun day on Saturday July 9th**. Woodcroft J Rock Dancers & Choir have been invited to perform. They will arrive at 12.00 and perform at 12.30pm - please come along.
- **Sports Days** begin the week of 4th July. Nursery (4th), , KS2 (6th), Reception & KS1 (19th). Check the website calendar for more details.

Whole School Attendance

↔95.4%↔

Let's keep improving our attendance!

Weekly Class Attendance Champions (for week beginning 13th June)

Foundation Stage Class of the Week: RB 93.7 % Well Done!

KS1 Class of the week: 2L 98.6% Great - Joint Top Attendance!

KS2 Class of the week: 6M 98.6% Excellent - Joint Top Attendance!

IMPORTANT NOTICE: SCHOOL CLOSED on TUESDAY 5th JULY 2016

1st July 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

Industrial Action by Teachers on Tuesday 5th July 2016

As you will be aware from the national media and my letter to you on Wednesday, the NUT (National Union of Teachers) will be taking industrial action next week on Tuesday 5th July.

The action (a one day strike) will result in the closure of Woodcroft Primary School. Please make alternative arrangements for your child's care on that day.

The decision to close the school is never taken lightly, but in this instance, where staff have elected to take lawful industrial action, I will have no choice but to take appropriate steps to ensure the health, safety and well being of all pupils.

This strike action will affect all schools differently. It will however, result in school closures, or partial closures, across the country. If the situation at Woodcroft changes I will endeavor to give parents as much notice as possible. Also, if the strike is cancelled the school will be open as normal.

I will provide any updates to this situation by text, notice boards and school website.

Thank you for your understanding on this matter.

Yours sincerely

*Craig Tallon
Headteacher*