WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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Together Towards Success

New on the website

Lots to look out for on the website this week:

Burnt Oak Festival

Forthcoming Events

- 28th Bronze Arts Award Presentations - 5.00pm
- 29th Early Years Advice Coffee Morning - Family Support Worker from Wingfield Children's Centre visiting
- 30th Macmillan Coffee Morning in the Oak Suite from 8.45am
- 30th Barnet Sports Awards -Football team nomination

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PSHE Theme

As part of our **AIM@ Curriculum** every week in school we have a theme for our assemblies and PSHE lessons.

This week in school we will be thinking about...

Being a leader

Woodcroft Foundation Stage Achieves Award



Woodcroft Nursery and Reception have achieved an accredited 'Communication Friendly Status,' from Elklan www.elklan.co.uk. Our Foundation Stage had been working towards this award as part of a year long project that focused on children's speech, language and communication development. The aim of the project was to encourage talking and good listening skills. Congratulations to all of the Foundation Stage for achieving this prestigious award.

Early Years & Family Support Advice Coffee Morning

Rachel Greenidge, the Early Years Family Support Officer from Wingfield & Stonegrove Children's Centre, will be visiting Woodcroft on Thursday, 29th. Rachel will be in our Foundation Stage Saplings Hut at the start of the morning and will then visit our Little Oaks group in the Oak Suite. Rachel is keen to help parents regarding all aspects of care and support for any families.



parents regarding all aspects of care and support for any families with a child under 5, or any Mum's that are pregnant.

Rachel is able to provide information about services within the Centre and other outreach opportunities. The ranges of services includes, family support & parenting, nursery funding information (available for children from age 2!), health services, access to specialist services, activities for children under 5, learning opportunities for parents and advice on employment, childminding/preschools and benefits advice. *Please pop along for a chat.*

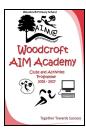
Burnt Oak Festival and Parade 2016



Thank you to everyone who come along to support Woodcroft at the Burnt Oak Festival on Saturday 17th September. We had a great time parading through the streets; dancing, singing and blowing our whistles, as we made our way to the Festival in Silkstream Park. Woodcroft J Rock pupils and a Year 5 & 6 choir then performed on the stage along

with our other **ConnectEd** schools. A photo gallery is now on the website.

The AIM Academy - extra curricular clubs & activities



Woodcroft is running an amazing 40 extra-curricular clubs and activities this term - with more on the way! We also provide subsidised instrumental tuition, host our own daily Acorns After School Club and offer FREE places at the Edgware Saturday School. All of these clubs and activities support our AIM programmes (Aspiration & Inspiration Matter) to extend and enrich the curriculum, so together they are called our Aim

Academy. The majority of clubs in the AIM Academy are run voluntarily by our wonderfully dedicated staff and most are FREE. Copies of the AIM Academy Club Leaflet can be found in the main foyer or on the website.

A new local library has opened in Colindale

A new state of the art library in Colindale has just opened! The Library is located on the corner of Bristol Ave (formerly Lanacre Ave) next to the new Barnet College Building in Colindale, NW9 4BR. The Library is also running a number of early years activities that will be of particular interest to families with younger siblings.

The library opening hours are as follows;

Mon 9.30am – 1pm, 2pm - 5pm

Tues 9.30am - 1pm, 2pm - 8pm

Wed 10am - 1pm, 2pm - 5pm

Thurs Closed

Fri 9.30am - 1pm, 2pm - 5pm

Sat 9.30am - 1pm, 2pm - 5pm

Sun Closed

The early years activities run at the the Library are follows

Baby Bounce and Play Wednesdays 11.30am – 12.15pm

Term dates Weds 7 Sep – Weds 12 Oct (no session Weds 19 Oct)

Baby Bounce & Play is a **NEW** activity for non-walking babies. The 45 minute sessions combine circle time sensory play with baby friendly rhymes, songs and stories. Sessions cost £3.50 per child.

Toddler Time

Wednesdays 10.00 – 10.45am. Term dates 7 Sep – 12 Oct (no session Weds 19 Oct) Toddler Time is a **NEW** activity for 1-3 year olds. The 45 minute themed sessions combine rhymes, songs and stories with opportunities to explore, play and learn. Sessions cost £3.50 per child.

> Toddler Read and Rhyme (Babies Welcome) Tuesdays 10.00 – 10.30am during term time starting Tues 13 Sep This is a FREE session run by local library staff

Join Friends of Woodcroft for coffee on Friday 30th September



Friends of Woodcroft will be hosting their annual Macmillan charity coffee morning on September 30th from 8.45am in The Oak Suite. Please come along and enjoy a drink and cake - all contributions in aid of cancer research. We would also



greatly appreciate any donations of cakes and biscuits for the event. Please hand them to the office before next Friday - thank you.

Next week is a Visual Arts Week at Woodcroft

Next week in class your child will be studying, and creating, art inspired by a particular artist. We will then be displaying their art around school.

Whole School Attendance in 2015-16 was 95.4% Let's aim for 96%!

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Attendance data will be available next week.

Please remember to arrive at school by **8.45am** for a prompt start to lessons