

# WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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Together Towards Success

## New on the website

Lots to look out for on the website. Recent additions include:

- International Week News and Gallery
- School Sports Gold Award

## Forthcoming Events

- Y6 Bikeability Week starts on 7th November
- Y6 Internet Support Information Evening 10th November at 5.00pm
- Primary Admissions Meeting for Nursery Parents on Friday 11th November at 9.00am and 12.30pm
- Lenny's Leap of Faith **Fun Day** on Saturday 12th November
- Anti-Bullying Week starts on Monday 14th November
- Book Fair 15th to 21st November
- Children in Need day - Friday 18th November 'Be Spotacular!'

## Twitter

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**@WPS\_Success**

## PSHE Theme

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

We will be thinking about ...

**Remembrance Day**

## Woodcroft Awarded School Games and Sports Gold Kitemark



Woodcroft has yet again received the highest award for school sports and games. On Friday 21st October we were presented with the Sainsbury's School Games Gold Award for the second year in succession. This prestigious kitemark is only awarded to schools that demonstrate the highest levels of commitment and participation to sports and games throughout the academic year. At a special assembly, Ashley Stewart, the Strategic Manager for Barnet Sports, presented Woodcroft with a certificate of recognition and congratulated our pupils and staff on their dedication to school PE & sport. You can find out more about the award, and see Woodcroft's online gold medal at ... [www.yourschoolgames.com/](http://www.yourschoolgames.com/)



## International Day Success



We enjoyed another successful International Day on Thursday 20th October. Pupils looked wonderful as they came to school dressed in the traditional clothes of their families' home countries.

A special assembly was held to parade their wonderful clothes. At the end of the school day, Friends of Woodcroft ran an International Cake Sale with kind donations from families. Parents had baked traditional cakes or decorated them in the colors of their national flags. The sale raised over **£300** with proceeds being put towards the purchase of dual language books for the school library.



## Lenny's Leap of Faith - Fun Day on 12th November



A group of parents are organising a Family Fun Day at Woodcroft on Saturday 12th November in support of 'Lenny's Leap of Faith' campaign. Lenny, the son of staff member Nina Kearns, was born prematurely and diagnosed with cerebral palsy. He now requires a frame and medication to enable him to walk. Unfortunately, the operation required to help him walk is not available on the NHS, so Lenny's family have begun a fundraising campaign to raise the £30,000 required. Please make a note in your diary and come along to Woodcroft on Saturday 12th November.

## Year 6 Bikeability - 7th to 11th November




Next week pupils in Year 6 will be taking part in level 1 and level 2 intensive Bikeability training. They will be learning alongside professional instructors and finding out about road safety and the correct way to cycle with confidence.

## Applications for Reception Classes in September 2017

 Admissions  
Apply online now

Parents of children who were born between 1st September 2012 & 31st August 2013 should be aware that the application process is now open for entry into primary Reception classes in September 2017. A leaflet and guide has already been sent home to all Nursery parents explaining the online admissions system. Please be aware that **ALL** parents **MUST** re-apply for their child's place and that being on role in Woodcroft's Nursery does not guarantee you a place in Reception. More information can be found on our website. There will also be **information meetings on Friday 11th November** at 9.00am and again at 12.30pm for parents to attend after they have dropped their child at Nursery. Please make your way directly across the playground through the blue doors to enter our 4D TARDIS hall.

## Poppy Appeal 2016

 This year, The Royal British Legion is asking the nation to *Rethink Remembrance* by recognising the sacrifices made not just by the Armed Forces of the past, but by today's generation too. For many people, Remembrance is associated with the fallen of the First and Second World Wars. While we will always remember them, the Legion wants to raise awareness of a new generation of veterans and service personnel that need our support. **Poppies will go on sale in school from Monday 7th November.**



## Autumn Nights Campaign

Working together for a safer London

Every year around Halloween and Bonfire Night, Barnet Borough in association with the Police run an operation entitled Autumn Nights. Their aim is to raise awareness of the legislation surrounding fireworks and the consequences of related anti-social behaviour. An information poster can be downloaded from the news section of our website for parents to discuss with their children.

## Christmas Book Fair - Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November



Our Christmas Book Fair will be held in the main hall at 3:15pm each afternoon from 15<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> November. There will be a large range of books for all ages, Nursery up to Year 6, to choose from. Every time you purchase a book from the fair you are supporting the school as we will be allowed to take a number of free books for our library, depending on how much money is collected. In March we sold just over £800 worth of books and were able to claim **£460** of free books! **Please come along to our Book Fair – support the school and buy your Christmas presents at the same time!**

## Conversation Café - Everyone Welcome

'Conversation Café' is an exciting new opportunity for parents to gain confidence and improve their spoken English. It is **FREE** and takes place on **Tuesday** mornings from **9.00am - 10.30am** in the **The Oak Suite**.

- Parents work together on fun activities
- Refreshments available
- Younger children welcome
- Make new friends

Learn English



If you are interested in improving your spoken English please come along on Tuesday mornings. For more information see the posters around school or on the website 'News' section. If you have any questions please speak with Mrs. Meghji or ask at the Office.

## Whole School Attendance

↑ 96.4% ↑

Attendance has improved!

## Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week beginning 17th October

KS1 Classes of the week: 1C & 1H 99% Well Done - Year 1 TOP Attendance!

KS2 Classes of the week: 3R & 6M 98.3 Great attendance!