



Together Towards Success

New on the website

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

- ★ Winter Ball
- ★ Parents Promise Licence Winners
- ★ Christmas Shows

Forthcoming Events

- 19th Y1, Y3 & Y4 Parties - further details will be sent out by classes
- 20th Y2, Y5 & Y6 Parties - further details will be sent out by classes
- 20th Nursery last day
- 19th Y6 WWII Christmas Experience - parents invited 9.15am to 10.30am
- 21st Year 4 Dance Assembly to parents at 9.15am
- 21st Last Day - school closes at 2.00pm
- 4th January - Children return to school.

Twitter

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PSHE Theme

We are thinking about ...
The Festival of Christmas

Clubs Notice

Clubs will not be running next week week.

The following clubs will be on:

Zumba - Tuesday 3.15 - 4.15
Dance Team - Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30

Message from the Chair of Governors



On behalf of the Staff and Governing Body I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy and successful New Year.



Liz Court (Chair of Governors)

Christmas Diary

- ★ 19th Y6 WWII Event in the Oak Suite and Tardis from 9.15am to 11.00am - families invited to come and experience a wartime Christmas
- ★ 19th Y1, Y3 & Y4 Parties - children can come to school in party clothes (sensible shoes, appropriate for play, please)
- ★ 20th Y2, Y5 & Y6 Parties - children can come to school in party clothes (sensible shoes, appropriate for play, please)
- ★ 20th last day for Nursery
- ★ 21st Year 4 Dance Assembly to parents at 9.15am
- ★ 21st LAST DAY - school closes at 2.00pm



Children return to school on Wednesday 4th January 2017.

New Boiler Room Project

Major works are due to start at Woodcroft over the Christmas period and will continue up to February half term. We are scheduled to have our ageing boilers replaced. As you can imagine, the size of boiler needed to heat the whole school is somewhat larger than the domestic variety we have at home - in fact we need three giant boilers and they fill an entire room! The project is costing around £170,000 and will last for 8 weeks. In the meantime we will be having a temporary boiler sited along the front pathway adjacent to the hall. This section of path will be fenced off for the duration of the project. Scaffolding will also be erected to access the chimney flues. We have been assured that work will not disrupt the regular running of the school. However, if you have any concerns during this period please let the school know.



Year 4 Dance Performance - 9.15am on 21st December

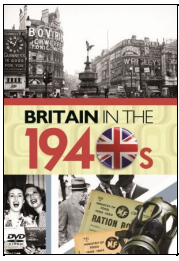
An Invitation to Families



Year 4 have taken part in a national dance project in association with the National Opera House and The Royal Ballet. Over the course of the term they have learnt new dance skills and incorporated them into an original dance piece.



Year 4 will be performing their dances live and then showing the class videos they made. Please join us at 9.15am on Wednesday.



Year 6 World War II Experience

Families invited on Monday 19th from 9.15am to 11.00am

Year 6 are going to be travelling back in time in our TARDIS and inviting us to join them in the 1940s to experience Britain during World War II. Y6 pupils will be dressed in costume and role playing period characters to bring their learning alive. Families are invited to drop in at anytime between 9.15am to 11.00am. Please come along and take part in this unique event, you will not be disappointed!

Christmas Shows Success

We have enjoyed three fantastic Christmas shows over the past two weeks from Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. All of the pupils performed wonderfully to an audience of friends and family, and we hope that you enjoyed the shows. Take a look at the website for a selection of photographs from all three shows.



Netball Match 19 - 0 Victory vs Barnfield - Report by Daniel O (Y6)



On Wednesday 14th December Woodcroft played against Barnfield for our second match of the season. It was an amazing team performance, and we all tried our best until the final minute. With goals from Suleman, Tallulah, Yomade, Catte, Chisom and Maria, and of course some great interceptions from me, we were so happy when the final whistle blew because we had won. The final score was an amazing 19 - 0 to Woodcroft. Congratulations to the entire squad. Thank you to Mr Patel and Mr Judd, our coaches.

Science Challenge - Make a Lava Lamp!

Miss Stubbings gave an exciting demonstration of the lava lamp challenge in assembly this week. To take part in this science activity over the Christmas break pupils will need: water, clear plastic bottle, vegetable oil, food colouring and an antacid tablet like Alka-Seltzer (or you could use salt instead). Look out for copies of the challenge poster around the school, they can be downloaded from the news section of our website. For tips to this experiment you can also watch...

<https://sciencebob.com/blobs-in-a-bottle-2/>



The Science Challenge will be available to download from our new homework app on our website. Finished lamps should be back in school by Friday the 6th January, 2017. Prizes will be given out on the 13th January. Good luck!

Chicken Pox

We have had a confirmed case of Chickenpox in the the school. Please be vigilant for the symptoms (Loss of appetite, high temperature (fever), headache and spots (rash) that develop into small blisters and are itchy). Make an appointment with your GP and stay off school until the blisters scab over.

New CommUNITY Parenting Course at Woodcroft



Woodcroft, in association with CommUNITY Barnet, will be hosting a new 13 week parents course throughout the Spring term. It will take place every Tuesday morning from Tuesday 10th January, 9.00am - 12.00pm in the Oak Suite. The course will be **FREE** to parents and a creche will be provided for younger children. The course aims to provide practical parenting support. For more information speak with Mrs Meghji or enquire at the school Office.

What are the benefits of taking part? Parents who attend this course will gain confidence and skills to help them develop:

- a better understanding of child development
- positive discipline techniques
- strategies for promoting children's social skills, self-esteem and self-discipline
- knowledge of local services and personal development opportunities

If you would like to register an interest for this course please pick up a form from the Office.

Whole School Attendance

↓ 96.1% ↓

Attendance has dropped!

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week beginning 5th December

KS1 Class of the week: 2W 100% PERFECT - Top attendance this week!

KS2 Class of the week: 5G 98.9%% Good Attendance!

