



Together Towards Success

New on the website

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

★ Safer Internet Week

Forthcoming Events

27th Feb to 3rd March
The Big Read Week

27/2 Y4 Bikeability
28/2 M&M Theatre Perform
Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe
1/3 Hockey Club Tournament
2/3 Chess Club Tournament
2/3 World Book Day
7/3 Woodcroft Dance Team
perform at Barnet Dance
Festival
7/3 EPOC perform Orpheus &
Eurydice Opera to KS2
9/3 Y4 Trip to V&A Museum
10/3 Y3 Class assembly to
parents at 9.30am
13/3 to 17/3 Bookfair
15/3 and 16/3 Parents
Evenings

Twitter



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PSHE Theme

Next week in school we are
thinking about ...

Feeling good to be me

Barnet Netball - Semi Final Success



Congratulations to the Woodcroft Netball Team who took part in the Barnet Netball Finals on Friday 10th February. The team yet again performed valiantly and progressed from their group stage undefeated only losing to the eventual winners, Akiva School. Well done to the entire squad.

Online Homework



Your child's weekly Brainbuilder homework activities are now available to view from our website. Look out for the **smarthomework** button at the top of the page when your child logs in. Homework will still be returned in the usual way - however, check out this new app.

Building Works

Thank you for your patience during the recent building works. Two projects are taking place. Firstly, our boiler is being replaced. Secondly, a number of disability access improvements are being carried out. These include modifications to the steps at the front of school, widening of the back pathway and a wheelchair height shelf on the reception desk. We are also scheduled to have a new front door, improved fire escapes and updated signage as part of the ongoing project.

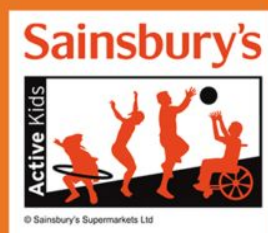


Dr. Bike

We're a Sustrans Bike It school
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Dr. Bike visited Woodcroft on Wednesday 22nd February to carry out free bike checks and minor repairs. Twenty nine pupils took up the opportunity to have their bikes checked over to make sure they were safe and roadworthy.

Sainsburys Active Kids
is back for 2017 Start
collecting now



Vouchers available from Sainsburys Stores
25th January until 3rd May 2017.

Please place vouchers in the Collection Box in Reception.



Visual Arts Week 20th to 24th February

This week was the spring term Visual Arts Week. The theme was fashion as this week coincided with London Fashion Week. Lots of activities based around famous designers and costume took place; take a look below.



Every class is now busy updating their corridor boards and displays to show off some of their amazing art. We are also looking forward to an exciting catwalk assembly next week. Look out on the website for a report of this event.



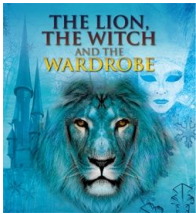
The Big Read Coming Up Next Week!

Next week is our **Big Read Week**. We have lots of fun activities planned which promote the enjoyment of reading.

Monday

Miss Lloyd, our English Coordinator, kicks things off on Monday with a launch assembly. Every class will be focusing on specially chosen text during their English lessons. I wonder what book each teacher will have chosen?

Tuesday



On Tuesday morning M&M Theatre will be performing **The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe to KS1 & 2**. Classes will be creating Narnia displays with artwork and writing in their classrooms.

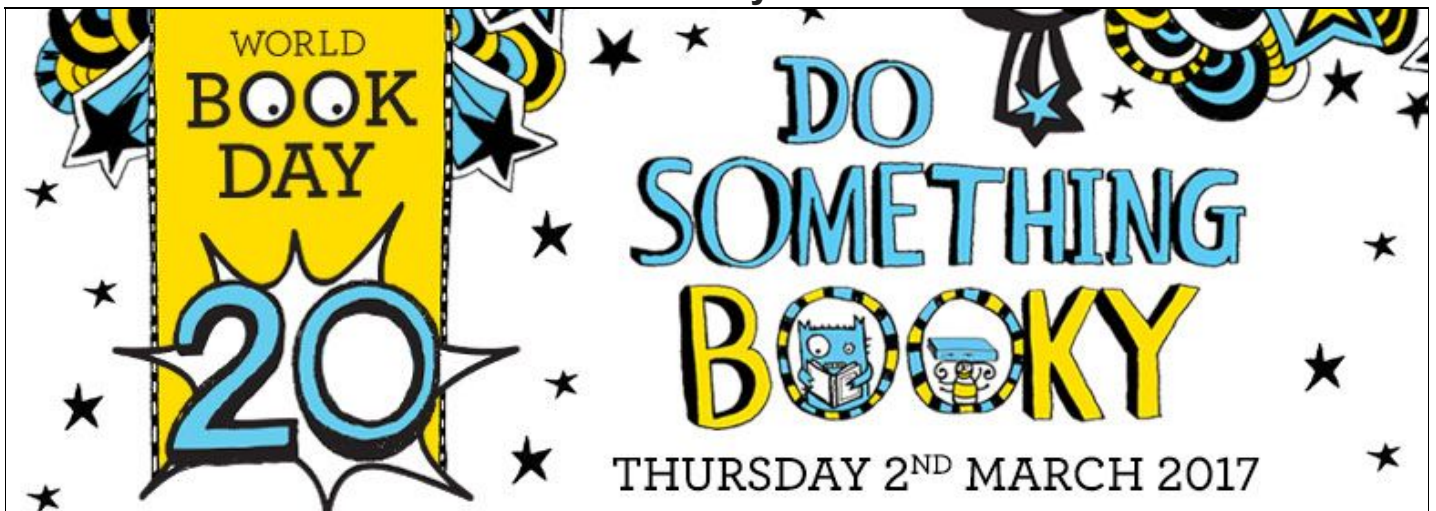


Wednesday



Wednesday is storytelling morning! Staff will be reading special books all over the school - children will be able to choose which story they want to listen to.

Thursday



Competition Time: The Battle of the Books!

As a homework activity the children are being asked to write a persuasive review explaining why others should read their favourite book. This competition closes on Friday 10th March; there will be a winner from each year group who will choose a prize from the upcoming Book Fair. The winning books will also be purchased for the school library.

Extreme Reading Challenge

Extreme reading

Take a photo of yourself reading in an unusual (but not dangerous!) place!

Upload it onto our special Treehouse page ([#BigReadWeek / Extreme Reading](#)) and share it with the rest of the school. Or print it out and show your teacher.



Desert Island Reads



Let's get blogging about our best books. If you could only choose one, which book would you take to a desert island? Why would you take it? Tell the rest of the school on the TreeHouse [#BigReadWeek/ Desert Island Reads](#)



World Book Day Vouchers

Attached to this newsletter is your World Book Day voucher. These can be used in any shop but also at our Spring Book Fair which will run from 13th -17th March in the main hall. There will be a wide range of books available to buy and we would love to beat our November total of £840 sold!

Friday - Mystery Book



To finish the week every class will be delivered a mystery book all wrapped up to open for the final story time on Friday afternoon - what will your class get in its parcel?



We hope that everyone gets involved in our Big Read Week!

Digital Technology and Safer Internet Week

Take a look at some of the exciting things we got up to last week, February 6th to 10th, during Woodcroft's Digital Technology and Safer Internet Week. As part of our AIM@Digital programme we are always keen to promote positive behaviour online.

Digital Champions Assembly: #SID2017 Launch



On Monday 6th February our Digital Champions prepared and presented an assembly to the whole school about safe internet use to get us ready for Safer Internet Day 2017. Woodcroft Digital Champions are pupils that work with Mr Guest, our IT Lead Teacher, in a weekly club to manage our online applications and support their classes.

Safer Internet Day 2017: Be the change: unite for a better internet



Safer Internet Day 2017 was celebrated globally on Tuesday 7th February with the theme 'Be the change: unite for a better internet'. Every class throughout the school took part in activities during PSHE lessons discovering how to show good manners while on the internet, and learning about online safety.

Every year group was also set two challenges:

Challenge 1: Try out a new application or digital resource that you haven't used before

Challenge 2: Develop computational thinking through an 'unplugged' activity; learning about computing and coding without using any technology!

Some amazing activities took place! Plugged activities using technology, included digital film making, applications for learning, Google G Suite, Storybird, WeVideo and Beebot coding. Unplugged activities with using computers or gadgets included physical Pac Man, debugging baking recipes, creating physical email servers, following algorithm instructions and musical coding!



Parent Workshop - Online Safety



On Thursday 9th February parents were invited to talk about the complex issues encountered when children go online. Mr Guest presented the outcomes from Woodcroft's most recent pupil surveys and highlighted some of the main issues. Practical ideas for how to help your child were also discussed.

Whole School Attendance

↑ 95.5% ↑

Attendance is below our target of 96%

Attendance Matters

Class Attendance Champions: Week beginning 6th February

Foundation Stage Class of the Week: RP 97.8% Fantastic

KS1 Class of the week: 1C 97% Good Attendance!

KS2 Class of the week: 4B 98.3% Top attendance this week!



