WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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Together Towards Success

New on the website

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

- ★ Artsmark Platinum Award Success
- ★ Governors and Headteacher's Reports
- ★ School Games GOLD Award
- ★ 'Make Your Move' Dance Grand Final Champions ★ Sports Day Galleries
- (passwords texted to parents)

Forthcoming **Events**

Conversation Cafe runs every Friday from 9.00am to 10.30am

- 17/7 Choir and Guitar Celebration 3.30pm
- 18/7 Y3 and Y5 at World Para Athletics Tournament (Olympic Park)
- 19/7 Summer Ball and Leavers Celebration
- 20/7 Sports Presentation Evening 5.00pm
- 20/7 Nursery last day
- 21/7 Last day of term -Finish at 2.00pm
- Pupils return to school on Wednesday 6th September 2017

Twitter



PSHE Theme

Next week in school we are thinking about ... Reading

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14th July 2017



To all of the children and staff of woodcroft, on behalf of the Governing Body, I would like to congratulate everyone on all of your outstanding achievements this year. Thank you also to our parents and carers for their wonderful support

I would like to wish you all a fantastic summer holiday.

Kindest regards Liz Court (Chair)





Woodcroft Gains Highest Arts Award

We are delighted to announce that Woodcroft has been awarded an Artsmark Platinum Award, the highest accolade accredited by Arts Council England.

In the letter received last week from Amanda Rigler, Artsmark Award Senior Officer, said:

'Your school was commended for the rich arts and cultural offer which has been established over the long term, with strong leadership and commitment across the school. The engagement of pupils and use of an Arts Charter ensures full inclusion (and) is innovative ... '

Read the full letter from Arts Council England on our school website in the newsletter section for this week.

Well done pupils, staff and governors for their hard work promoting and participating in the Arts. Thank you to our parent and carer community for their support of our arts events and activities. Special credit goes to Miss Sherring, our AIM@Arts Leader, for her vision and direction in Arts development.

About Artsmark



Artsmark is the quality standard for schools, accredited by Arts Council England. It provides a framework for schools to plan and develop arts, culture and creativity across the curriculum and beyond.

Choir and Guitar Performance



NV/ Notice: There will be a Choir and Guitar Club performance at 3.30pm in the Main Hall on Monday 17th July. This are the rescheduled performances from those that had to be cancelled due to illness last week. Thank you.

Woodcroft to receive a Duchess of Cornwall Birthday Bookshelf Woodcroft has been nominated as one of only 70 schools nationwide to receive a special birthday gift from Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Cornwall.

The Duchess of Cornwall, who is celebrating her 70th birthday in July, loves reading and sharing children's books, and is the patron of several organisations which promote and support literacy, including the National Literacy Trust, Beanstalk, BookTrust, First Story, Roald Dahl and the Wicked Young Writer Awards.

To celebrate her work with children's literacy, Her Royal Highness has been presented with a set of bookshelves as a birthday surprise. 70 primary schools across the UK, which include Woodcroft, will also be given a set of 70 children's books and the specially designed



bookshelf. These 70 schools selected have all shown they are committed to promoting reading for enjoyment.

It is an honour for Woodcroft to be recognised in this way through our support of Beanstalk, a charity that works with pupils in schools to support individual reading. Woodcroft was the first school in Barnet to host Beanstalk readers.

The 70 titles for the Duchess's Bookshelves were chosen by children across the country and the list includes a wide a range to suit all ages and interests – from classics like A Bear Called Paddington and Matilda to new titles including Gangsta Granny and Diary of a Wimpy Kid. We expect this very special gift to be delivered in September, ready for the new term.

A Message from the Barnet Fostering Team



Camp Woodcroft



As you will be aware from the national media, school budgets are being reduced significantly in real terms. Schools are facing a shortfall in funding requiring cuts to be made. One of the activities that we are unable to fund this year is Camp Woodcroft. So, for the first time since 2009, will will not be running a free summer camp.

End of Term Notice - School finishes next Friday at 2.00pm

A reminder that the last day of term will be Friday 21st July. We finish at 2.00pm on the last day. Nursery pupils finish the previous day on Thursday 20th July at their normal times.

Whole School Attendance ⇒ 95.5% ⊭ Attendance is below our target of 96%

Class Attendance Champions: Week beginning 3rd July 2017

Foundation Stage Class of the Week: RP 91.7% Excellent! KS1 Class of the week: 1C 96.9% Fantastic! Best in KS1 again! KS2 Class of the week: 4J 100% PERFECT! Top Attendance!

