WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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

- Family Links
- **Exciting Events**

Forthcoming Events

January

23rd Reception and Nursery Maths Workshop in Oak Suite from 9.00am

24th Y6 Football Tournament

25th Digital Technology Day inc. visit from Swedish **Teachers**

25th Football vs Deansbrook at **Burnt Oak Leisure**

29th Barnet Netball Tournament

30th Maths Stay n Play for Parents in Reception

31st Girls Football Tournament at Mill Hill Power League

February

1st Wellbeing Parent Focus Group 9.00am

Y3 Cake Sale 3.15pm

5th Great Big Dance Off Regional Finals

> 12th to 16th Half Term **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Twitter



PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about

... Digital Life

Keep Up To Date With Our Online Calendar



Did you know that you can find out the date and times of most school events using our Online Calendar. Visit the home page of the school website and click on the calendar image.



Birthday Book Club: Send in Birthday Books NOT Bags



We are still receiving Birthday Cakes and Bags to give out in school. Unfortunately we CANNOT give these out due to food allergies! This can be upsetting and expensive for families. A parent suggested a great idea. Why not send in a new book for the class or school library to celebrate your child's

birthday. This donated book would then be read aloud in class and have a special book plate inside saying who had donated it. There are some excellent examples of birthday book plates here:

http://www.myhomelibrary.org/donated.php

We would also record a thank you for the book donation right here in the weekly Newsletter in a new Birthday Book Club section.

Little Oaks Parent and Toddler Group Every Thursday from 9.00am - 10.30am in the Oak Suite



Little Oaks, our popular pre-school group will be restarting next week. All parents and carers are welcome to come along with their babies and pre-school children to the Oak Suite from 9.00am every Thursday.

The sessions are organised by one of our qualified Nursery Nurses and are a great way to prepare

younger children for school and to make friends. Tell your friends! You don't even need to have a pupil at Woodcroft to come along.

If you have any questions please call Woodcroft on 02089593244 and ask to speak to Ciara Finnegan.

Early Years Family Support

Rachel Greenidge, the Early Years Family Support Officer at Wingfield & Stonegrove Children's Centre will be visiting Woodcroft on Thursday 22nd February. She will be available to talk with parents on the Foundation Stage Playground and then she will come along to meet families in Little Oaks. To contact Rachel please telephone 0208 359 3510

FREE Healthy Lifestyle Club **Mondays at Grahame Park Community Centre**



Barnet Public Health have commissioned FREE activity clubs for children aged 4 - 12 years. A leaflet was included with this Newsletter. The nearest club to Woodcroft will be on Monday at Grahame Park Community Centre. The clubs are for those children who want to eat healthier, lose weight and get more active.

LONDON BOROUGH

For more information call 02081020530

Workshops for Reception and Nursery Parents

Reception and Nursery parents are invited to a series of workshops in the Oak Suite and 'Stay and Play' sessions in the classroom (younger siblings welcome to stay) to learn how to help with your child's learning at home.

Next Tuesday please make your way to The Oak Suite after dropping your children off at school to see how maths is taught in class. There will be a crèche available for younger siblings. The following week, parents are invited to stay in the Reception setting to watch and join in with a Maths lesson. This pattern then continues through the term, see below.

Workshop Timetable

Tuesday 23rd January 9:00 – 10:00, Oak Suite & Tardis 'Maths Workshop' Tuesday 30th January 9:00 – 10:00, Reception classes, 'Maths modelled Stay & Play'

Tuesday 6th February 9:00 – 10:00, Oak Suite & Tardis, Writing Workshop' Tuesday 20th February 9:00 – 10:00, Reception classes, 'Writing modelled Stay and Play'

Tuesday 27th February 9.00 - 10.00, Oak Suite & Tardis, 'Parental Engagement' Tuesday 6th March 9.00 - 10.00, Reception Classes, 'Observing learning Stay and Play'

Tuesday 13th March 9.00 - 10.00, Oak Suite & Tardis, 'Phonics' Tuesday 20th March 9.00 - 10.00, Reception Classes, 'Phonics Stay and Play'

Well-Being Project - Parent Meeting Invitation

At Woodcroft we want to think about everyone's well-being so they feel happy and valued. We do a lot of things to support children and families but we are always looking to improve what we do. Can you help?

We would like to meet with a group of parents to find out what they think about our school. We would like your views on ...

- The school environment
- How well people are valued
- Communication
- Support for families
- Parental involvement

A small group of parents will be invited to talk about what they like in school and what they think could make it better. The sessions will be led by Sue Bennett, the school's Educational Psychologist. The discussion will last about one hour and take place on Thursday 1st February at 9.00am. This session will be confidential; Sue will share viewpoints from the meeting but not individual names. If you would like to be involved with this parent discussion please return the slip below to the Office.

A friendly welcome and refreshments will be provided.

Well Being Project - Parent Meeting

I am interested in taking part in the parent meeting on Thursday 1st February at 9.00am

Name	(please print)
Contact Number	

Please return to the school Office, Thank you.

Boccia Tournament Success

Woodcroft's successful Boccia season continued on Monday with a fantastic silver medal at the Barnet Sport Spring Term Tournament. That makes two golds and one silver in consecutive tournaments! An amazing run of success. Well done to the team and their coaches Mrs Adams and Mrs Ditchman.



Teddy Bears Picnic



Miss Wray and Mrs Clark took a team of Year 1 and Year 2 pupils to the KS1 Multi-Sports Festival held at Allianz Park on Wednesday 10th January. The group spent the morning taking part in a wide variety of different physical activities. They also brought along their teddy bear from home to enjoy a picnic together during the break!



Digital Day - Thursday 25th January

Woodcroft will be hosting our annual digital technology day next Thursday, 25th January. Every class will be taking part in two digital activities during the day. We will again be visited by delegates from a Swedish technology association. The Swedish delegates are in

England to attend the British Educational Technology Show hosted at Excel London. However, they heard about the fantastic technology here at Woodcroft and are back for their second visit.

Online Payments Are Coming to Woodcroft from Monday 5th February



We are getting closer to the 'go live' date for our new online payment system, **SchoolMoney**. This means that you will have the facility to make payments for school expenses, such as trips, online with your debit or credit card.

This new payment system will benefit both the school and you as a parent. You will be able to pay from the comfort of your own home and access your account at any time. **SchoolMoney** will enable us to experience a more streamlined, cost-effective and efficient payment system in a secure and safe environment. We plan to **go live from Monday 5th February** when parents will be issued with their login details.

Burnt Oak Leisure Centre: Half-Term Activity Programme: 12th Feb - 16th Feb 2018

Day	Activities	Age Groups	Session Times
12th February	Mixed sports and Games 2 hour session includes: Football, Tennis, Badminton, Table Tennis, Basketball & Art	5 – 8 years or 8 – 13 years	9am – 11am 11am – 1pm 1pm – 3pm
14 th February	Mixed sports and Games 2 hour session includes: Football, Tennis, Badminton, Table Tennis, Basketball & Art	5 – 8 years or 8 – 13 years	9am – 11am 11am – 1pm 1pm – 3pm
16 th February	Mixed sports and Games 2 hour session includes: Football, Tennis, Badminton, Table Tennis, Basketball & Art	5 – 8 years or 8 – 13 years	9am – 11am 11am – 1pm 1pm – 3pm

Drop in for a 2 hour session for just £5, or stay all day from 9am - 3pm, bring a packed lunch and enjoy a packed schedule for £15. Minimum age 5 years. **Contact the centre on: 0208-201-0982**

Whole School Attendance \$\psi\$ 95.6% \$\psi\$

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week Beginning 8th January 2018

KS1 Class of the week: 2W 98.3% Fantastic, keep it up!

KS2 Class of the week: 3B 100% PERFECT SCORE - TOP ATTENDANCE!!