# WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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New on the website

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

- ★ Dance Champions
- ★ Safer Internet Week

#### Forthcoming Events

12th to 16th Half Term SCHOOL CLOSED

**February** 20th Reception Class 'Writing Stay and Play' from 9.00am

21st Y5 Football Tournament

22nd Rachel Greenidge - Early Years Support Officer Meet and Greet

23rd Barnet Netball Finals

#### 26th Feb to 2nd March

The BIG Read & Art week
27th M&M Theatre
1st World Book Day

#### Twitter



PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about

# ... Understanding our feelings and emotions

#### Woodcroft now uses ..



All payments can now be made online our office does not accept cash!

# Woodcroft Crowned London Regional 'Dance Off' Champions 2018



# National Schools Dance Competition

Woodcroft Dance team were crowned London Regional Dance Off Champions for the second year in succession following their amazing performance at The New Wimbledon Theatre on Monday 5th February.



Competing against 28 other schools from across the London region, Woodcroft's composition, titled 'INSIDE' was based around themes of child mental health.

It is fitting that this week is Children's Mental Health Week, 5th – 11th February. Read more at <u>https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/</u>

Woodcroft will now take part in the National Finals in Oxford on 25th June; a competition that they won in 2017.

**Netball Success** Report By Gemma and Yomade (Year 6) On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January, two Woodcroft netball teams competed in the Barnet Netball Tournament at Copthall High School. The A team was made up of Gemma, Yomade, Tale, Sahl, Erza, Diana and Keanu. The B team was made up of Adrian, Adnan, Cleonice, Sasha, Kleya, Mustafa, Olivia and Tara. The B team worked well as a team and tried their best throughout. The A team lost their first match to the Orion but in their next three matches they made a great comeback and scored 8 amazing goals. Woodcroft A team won their group and qualified through to the semi-finals. All the netballers are very excited about their victory.



School Money - Online Payment System: All Parents and carers have been sent their passwords via text. Please make sure that you try to log in so that you can check how

it all works - even if you don't have to pay for anything at the moment. There is lots of helpful information on the school website. **Please Note:** bookings and payments for Acorns and other clubs need to made at least 1 day in advance. The system does not allow bookings on the day of an activity.

#### Girls Football - Barnet Finalists



The girls football team have had a busy two weeks. They first of all took part in the West Barnet Tournament coming top of their league in the group stages with three wins and a draw. This gualified them to enter this week's Barnet District Finals. The girls performed with passion but missed out on the medal positions.

Well done to all of the team and their coaches; Miss Maynard and Miss Stubbings.

## **Birthday Book Club**



Instead of birthday 'party' bags and cakes we have started our **Birthday Book** Club.

When it is your child's birthday why not send in a new book for the school library to celebrate the occasion. This donated book would then be read aloud in class and have a special book plate stuck inside saying who had donated it. Donated birthday books would then have a special place in our library on the birthday bookshelf and be mentioned in the newsletter.

#### 4J Trip to London Academy

Academy

Class 4J had a surprise trip to London Academy last week. They were invited to go along to take part in an Orchestra Workshop. They kindly sent along their minibuses and took London our pupils out for an exciting afternoon. The rest of Y4 will not miss out - they have promised to come back and take Class 4G on a visit later this year.

#### Year 3 Cake Sale



Well done to Year 3 who ran a successful cake sale last Thursday and Friday to raise money for their chick hatching project later this term.

They raised a fantastic £186! Thank you to everyone who supported this event by baking or buying cakes. Big thanks also to the Y3 parent helpers who ran the stall!

#### Message for Year 5 parents from Ashmole Academy

Year 5 parents should be aware that if they wish to apply to Ashmole Academy for entry September 2019 under the Musical Aptitude criteria they need to apply to the school by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018. The first part of the tests will take place in June 2018. Details of the Musical Aptitude tests and the application form can be found on the school website at <u>www.ashmoleacademy.org</u>. Alternatively they can contact me in the School Office for more information.

#### **REMINDER:** Reception and Nursery Parents come along to our workshops

Tuesday 20th February 9:00 – 10:00, Reception classes, 'Writing 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 & Play' Tuesday 13th March 9.00 - 10.00, Oak Suite & Tardis, 'Phonics'



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## Holiday Fun at Brent Cross

There are lots of activities taking place at Brent Cross over half term - take a look at the flyer in the 'News' section of the school website.

Whole School Attendance ⇒ 95.6%⊭ Still aiming for 96%

#### Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week Beginning 29th January 2018 Foundation Stage Class of the Week: RA 94.14% Keep it up! KS1 Class of the week: 2W 95.86% Well done! KS2 Class of the week: 6M 100% Amazing - PERFECT ATTENDANCE

# Big Read

# The BIG Read and Art Week Coming Soon!

From the 26th February to 2nd March we are holding our annual Big Read! We have lots of fun and exciting activities planned to promote the enjoyment of reading. This year we are also combining it with our termly Art Day!

### Mondav

Miss Lloyd, our English Coordinator, and Miss Blyth, our Art Coordinator kick 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?

#### Tuesdav

On Tuesday morning M&M Theatre will be performing a classic on English children's literature, The Little Princess. Classes will be creating themed displays with artwork and writing in their classrooms. theatrical productions

#### Wednesday

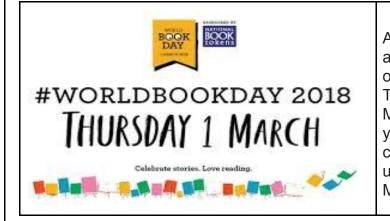
This is the day classes will be receiving their Mystery Books! All of the titles are prize winning children's books wrapped up ready to be read in a very special story time. What book will your class be opening?

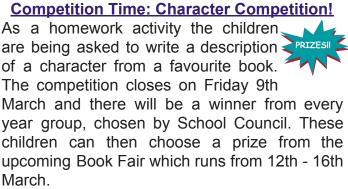


To celebrate World Book Day, we will all be coming to school in our pyjamas! In the afternoon, the children will settle down to hear and share their favourite stories.

#### Friday

Today we will be completing all our art and writing from the week and putting up displays of work. Look out for the update photos in our Gallery Corridor and in each class's book corners.





## **Extreme Reading Challenge**

Over <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> term try take a photo of yourself reading in an unusual (but not dangerous!) place! Upload it onto the Treehouse page (#BigReadWeek / Extreme Reading) or Google share it with your teacher. Alternatively print it out and bring it to school...





## Attic Bedroom Reads



Let's get blogging about our best books. If you could only choose one, which book would you want to read if stuck in an attic bedroom like the Little Princess? Why would you read it? Tell the rest of the school on the TreeHouse #BigReadWeek/ Attic Bedroom Reads We hope that everyone gets involved in our Big Read and Art Week!





