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Together Towards Success #AIMvalues





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

★ Dance Festival Success

Forthcoming Events

March

- 28th WOW Factor Final (invitation only) 5.30pm
- 28th Cake Sale

Easter Break Friday 30th March To Monday 16th April

- **Pupils Return to school** on Tuesday 17th April
 - <u>April</u>
- 18th Y3 & Y4 Bikeability Training
- 19th Basketball Tournament
- Saturday 21st Dance: **Make Your Move Finals**

Twitter



Follow us on Twitter:

@WPS_Success

Lots has been posted on twitter recently - check out the staff netball match v Broadfields!

PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about ... Doing our best

Woodcroft now uses ...



All payments must now be made online!

Easter Raffle and Cake Sale

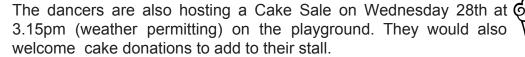


Woodcroft's champion dance team are organising a prize raffle and cake sale next week to raise funds to pay for their travel to this year's grand finals. Raffle tickets will be on sale every morning next week from 8.45am

to 9.10am and again in the afternoon 3.15pm to 3.30pm. There is an amazing first prize of an Apple iPad donated

by our sponsors, Uniform Education. Other runners up prizes on offer will be a range of yummy Easter eggs. The draw will take place on Thursday afternoon and the winner will be notified by text. Good Luck!

Cake Sale



Successful Workshops for Reception and Nursery Parents



The series of Early Years Workshops for Reception & Nursery parents concluded this week with a Phonics Workshop led by Mrs Patel. Phonics is the approach to teaching children the letter sounds that make up the words and then 'blending' them together to read and write. The workshops have hopefully empowered parents with ideas and

resources to support their children at home. Mr Rawlings, a parent who has attended a number of workshops, said, 'The workshops have been great and given me confidence and the tools to work with my children at home. I would definitely recommend them to anybody.' Every Tuesday, parents of Reception and Nursery pupils are now invited to a weekly 'Stay & Play' session, 9:00am - 10:00am in Reception classes.

Book Fair Success!

44 **BOOK FAIR**

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported last week's Book Fair. We sold a fantastic £900 worth of books, making it one of the most successful fairs we have run. Because of this excellent total, we were able to claim £540 worth of free books for the

school library as commission. Special thanks go to Mrs Cahill and Mrs Smith for running the Book Fair every evening.

Character Competition Winners!

Big Read We had some excellent entries for our character description competition during this year's Big Read Week. School Council judged the finalists and found it very hard to decide. Eventually they chose a winner from each year group who each received a token for the Book Fair. The winners were: Nadia 1C, Anmol 2L, Ruben 3B, Uzayra 4J, Jumana 5S, and Josie 6M.

Reminder: School finishes at 2.00pm on Thursday 29th March (Nursery pupils finish at their normal time on Wednesday 28th March) Pupils return to school on Tuesday 17th April - Have a good break

Nursery Places for September 2018

30 Hours FREE Childcare is available at Woodcroft Nursery

It is now time to book your child's place in our Nursery for September 2018. A Childcare few places still remain! Speak with Ms Jessop in the school office.



Children born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 are eligible for a Nursery place at Woodcroft starting in September 2018.

We still have a few spaces left for September. If you know of a family that are looking for a Nursery place for their child please ask them to book a visit or put their child's name down on our register by speaking to Ms Jessop in the school office.

Woodcroft offers the FREE flexible 15 hours provision for all children, with the option to pay for extra sessions as required. Parents of three and four year olds that are registered with Woodcroft's Nursery can also apply for the new 30 hours free childcare offer. This can be worth around £5,000 per child to working parents. Parents should register now for these new childcare offers, through the Government website www.childcarechoices.gov.uk.

Year 3 Happy Chicks - A report by Maya in 3B.



Year 3 have taken part in a chick hatching project over the past two weeks organised by the Happy Chick Company.

We were very very sad to see the chicks go back to the farm yesterday after watching them hatch and grow from the eggs. I even got to take the chicks home for the weekend! Our friends came over and I showed them how to hold them. I helped clean out the brooder box. They slept in very weird places like the food bowl! They even grew a lot over the weekend. It was an amazing experience for me and all of Year 3.







Lots of Hair to Share - Mrs Patel's Charity Fundraising Event!



Mrs Patel, our Reception Classteacher, is planning an unusual fundraising event. She is holding a sponsored haircut and then donating it to the Little Princess Trust! A charity that provides wigs to children with cancer to help them cope when they lose their hair. If you would like to donate to this life-changing cause please visit Mrs Patel's JustGiving page ... https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/a-patel18



The Birthday Book Club

The following pupils enjoyed a recent birthday and have joined the Birthday Book Club by donating a book for the Library. Happy Birthday to ...



Lina 5S age 10 Semida 2W age 7

Whole School Attendance ⇒ 95.7% Still aiming for 96%

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week Beginning March 2018

Foundation Stage Class of the Week: RA 97.6% Great attendance

KS1 Class of the week: 2W 97.3% Keep it up!

KS2 Class of the week: 3R 99% Well Done - TOP ATTENDANCE!