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New on the website

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

- **Governor Award 2018**
- **Local Services Summer Timetable** - check out the news section of the school website

Forthcoming Events

July 2018

- 8/7 Dance Make Your Move Grand Final at the O2
- 9/7 Y3 Ukulele Assembly at 11.00
- 9/7 Reports Published (please ensure adult collection)
- 10/7 Parents Eve 4 - 7 pm
- 10/7 Gymnastics Assembly 1.45pm
- 11/7 Y4 Dodgeball Tournament at QE Girls
- 12/7 Y6 Leavers Show 6pm
- 13/7 Brass and Woodwind Concert to Parents at 9.30am
- 13/7 Early Years Garden enters Barnet Competition
- 17/7 Summer Ball (tickets on sale next week)
- 18/9 Woodcroft Dance Celebration
- 19/9 Nursery Last Day
- 20/7 Last Day of term

Twitter

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 @WPS_Success

PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about
Road Safety (KS1)
Relationships (KS2)

Woodcroft Chair Awarded Governor of the Year 2018



Liz Court, Woodcroft's fantastic Chair of Governors, was awarded Barnet Governor of the Year at the 2018 Barnet Schools Awards. Liz received her award at a presentation evening, hosted by Barnet Southgate College and attended by The Mayor. This is a truly well deserved accolade to mark an amazing 50 Years of service to Woodcroft and its community! Liz joined as a teacher in 1969, both

her children attended Woodcroft, and she started on the Governing Body immediately upon retirement. She has been Chair for the past 9 years and has also volunteered as a weekly reading support throughout that time!

I am sure that you will join the school in congratulating Liz on her achievements and thanking her for an astounding 50 years of dedicated and continuous commitment to Woodcroft. Check out more photos on the website.

Staffing Update

At Woodcroft we are fortunate to have an excellent staff. And despite some sad departures at the end of term we again have outstanding teachers and TAs in place for September.

Teaching Staff for September 2018

- Nursery: Mrs Glass
- Reception: Mrs Powell and Mrs Brown (Mrs Patel supports until October)
- Year 1: Miss Herbert and Mr Hughes
- Year 2: Miss Lloyd (Asst Head) and Miss Stubbings
- Year 3: Miss Blyth and Miss Verstraeten
- Year 4: Miss Jackson and Mr Thomson
- Year 5: Mr Rees and Miss Maynard
- Year 6: Mr Guest, Miss Bux and Mrs Gignac (Asst Head)
- Mr Russell - Deputy Headteacher
- Ms Vanner - Asst Head - SENCO
- Mrs Valoti - Asst Head
- Mrs Smith (YR), Mrs Federman and Mrs Caplan (Y5 & Y6) - Curriculum Support

Sad goodbyes to some of our teachers

The following teachers are departing at the end of the academic year ...

Mr Patel (Y5) - Leaves for a promotion at a school in Harrow.

Miss Ryan (Y3) - Has decided to experience teaching abroad.

Miss Grabiner (Y4) - Is moving on to gain experience of working in a different Barnet setting.

Miss Wray (Y2) - Is returning to teach in her home county of Devon.

I am sure you will join me in wishing them all the best with their future careers. I would like to thank them for their contribution to the life of Woodcroft during their time with us.

Secondary Open Evenings

An updated Secondary School Open evening schedule has now been published. Copies have been distributed to Y5 pupils with this Newsletter. However, any interested families can download the document from our website 'News' section and attend the open evenings. This might be useful for Y4 families who want to get an early flavour of the local secondary school offer.

Annual Reports and Parents Evening

Annual Reports will be published on Monday 9th July. These will be available for collection from class teachers at the end of the school day. Please be aware that we do not hand reports to pupils or young people under 18. If you are unable to collect your report please nominate an adult to pick it up on your behalf and inform the school.

Parents Evening is the following day, Tuesday 10th from 4.00pm, and is for the purpose of discussing Annual Reports. Please bring your own copy along to the meeting. Thank you.

New Age Kurling - Woodcroft Team Success



Well done to Woodcroft 'New Age Kurling' Team who competed in the Barnet Sports Tournament on Monday.

The team performed admirably getting through to the semi-finals. Thanks go to Mrs Adams and Mrs Ditchman who lead the weekly club.

Kurling is a form of the original curling game, but adapted so that it can be played indoors on any smooth, flat surface, such as a sports hall, rather than on ice.



Grahame Park Festival - This Saturday 12.00pm to 4.00pm



If you are bored of the football and don't care who wins the World Cup, then you might be interested in going along to the Grahame Park Festival on Saturday Afternoon? Woodcroft are hoping to perform on the stage - and there will be lots more going on to keep you entertained until at least 3.00pm! Check out the poster published with today's Newsletter.

The Birthday Book Club



Thank you to the pupils who have had recent birthdays and joined our Birthday Book Club by donating books for the Library.

A very happy birthday to ...

Aaryan (Y2) age 7 and Katie (Y2) age 7



Whole School Attendance

⇒ **95.6%** ⇐

Still aiming for 96%

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week Beginning 25th June 2018

Foundation Stage Class of the Week:

KS1 Class of the week:

KS2 Class of the week:

Attendance figures are unavailable this week.

THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT



The Reading Agency and Barnet Libraries are excited to be working with Beano in their 80th anniversary year to bring you the **Mischief Makers, Summer Reading Challenge 2018**. The challenge takes place every year during the summer holidays. In this year's challenge, children explore a map of Beanotown to find the mysterious buried treasure and become ultimate mischief makers! Dennis, Gnasher and friends will help them solve clues and collect stickers, having lots of fun and adventures along the way!

To complete the challenge, all children have to do is read at least six books of their choice from their local library; collecting special stickers and other exclusive rewards along the way; and it's **FREE** to take part!

Signing up for the Summer Reading Challenge

Mischief Makers starts on **Saturday 14 July**. Copies of the **registration form** are available to pick up in the school foyer, or you can download from the 'News' section of our school website.

Summer Events and Activities

Throughout the summer holiday, Barnet libraries will also be running a programme of fun activities for early years and primary school age children to coincide with this year's Mischief Makers theme. Events this year include;

- ★ A comic art masterclass from Beano artist Kev F Sutherland
- ★ A 'Motley Zoo' animal – handling workshop from Zoolab,
- ★ A 'School of Pranks' drama workshop from Freshwater Theatre.
- ★ Other highlights include one-off events from our specialist early years team, free craft activities in every library and much more.

Visit www.barnet.gov.uk/mischiefmakers for more information.

Keep your diaries up to date ... use our Online Calendar

But don't miss ...

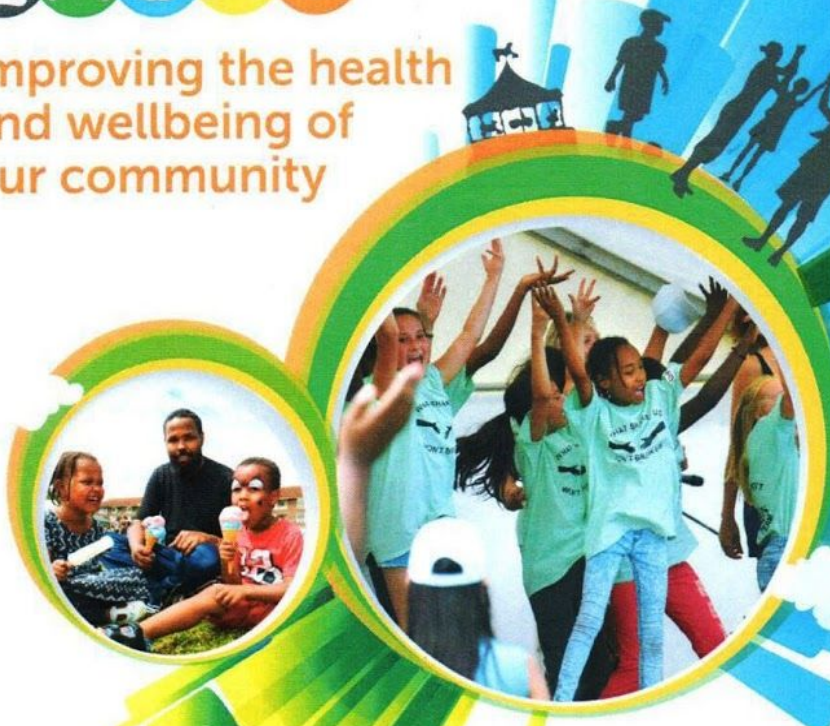
- ★ Woodcroft Dance Team perform at The London 02 on Sunday 8th July
- ★ Year 3 Summer Ukulele Concert on Monday 9th July at 11.00am
- ★ Gymnastic Club Assembly on Tuesday 10th at 1.45pm. Parents of pupils that attend the club are very welcome to come along and watch them perform to the rest of the school. We would love to see you.
- ★ Parents Evening is from 4.00pm on Tuesday 10th July.
- ★ The Year 6 Leavers Show is on 12th July. The curtain is up at 6.00pm (Year 6 stay in school for a pre show supper and final rehearsal)
- ★ Summer Ball - Tuesday 17th July - Tickets on sale next week!
- ★ Y2 visit to Lyndhurst Nature Reserve - 10.30am to 2.30pm on Tuesday 17th
- ★ Wednesday 18th at 9.30am is the annual Woodcroft Celebration of Dance. Any pupil/s who want to perform on the stage must first audition for class teachers with their music.
- ★ The last day for our Nursery class is on 19th July - *Have a great summer!*
- ★ **LAST DAY OF TERM - FRIDAY 20th JULY - SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 2.00pm**
- ★ Pupils return to school on Wednesday 5th September

Grahame Park Festival

Notting Hill
Genesis



Improving the health
and wellbeing of
our community



FREE EVENT

Carousel & bouncy castle
Football bungee
Tai Chi & Yoga
Arts & crafts
Music & DJ bus
Silver Star Heath bus
and lots more!

Open Space,
Heybourne Park

Saturday 7 July 2018
12 noon - 4pm



ROYAL AIR FORCE **museum**
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