

WOODCROFT WEEKLY

ISSUE 330

www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk

23rd November 2018



Together Towards Success
#AIMvalues



New on the website

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

Sports Award Success

Forthcoming Events

November 2018

26th Y3 Ukulele Concert 11.00am
27th Flu Vaccinations R to Y5
29th Girls Football v Colindale
30th Choir Perform to Parents 4.00pm

Don't forget to check our online school diary

Twitter

Follow us on Twitter:
@WPS_Success

PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about:

Advent



Thank you to
ASDA Foundation

We were presented with a cheque for **£200** this week. This money will be used to support our Dance Team with costumes and transport to events.



Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards

Woodcroft Phonics Success

We had the pleasure of receiving a letter from the Minister of State for Schools this week congratulating Woodcroft on our outstanding Phonics results. It noted the outstanding achievements of our KS1 and Foundation Stage staff in maintaining these excellent results every year and exceeds national averages. Read the full letter here <http://bit.ly/2DAr0Bw>

Any Old Keys?



Nursery would like to collect some 'real' resources; starting with old keys. If any parents or carers would like to donate any old keys they no longer use please drop them into the school Office.

A request from Darwin Bernardo (ex pupil)



For the past two years, I have been swapping my bed for sleeping bags to raise money and awareness for homeless young people. From 2nd Dec to 9th Dec I will be sleeping rough in the streets of London with no money or food! I will spend a week with nothing on me but my clothes, experiencing what life is like for some of the 103,000 young people that are currently living in such conditions across the UK.

*I humbly ask for your support. Please visit my **Go Fund Me** page to help:*
https://www.gofundme.com/youth-homelessness-lets-talk&rcid=r01-154211939525-7d9ee20b873949d6&pc=ot_co_campmgmt_w

Children in Need Day 2018

Woodcroft raised a fantastic **£507** for Children in Need 2018. This year's theme was 'Do your own thing! Be different - Be unique,' and every pupil came to school dressed differently! Our Choir was joined by Poppy The Troll to busk on the playground before school, and then teachers took on a chaotic challenge in assembly



Music Concert Success

Our musicians played two wonderful concerts this week. On Thursday our strings players took to the stage and then on Friday it was the turn of our brass and woodwind players.

Next week it is the turn of our Y3 Ukulele players on Monday at 11.00am and the Choir on Friday at 4.00pm. Parents and carers are invited

Sue Baker, newly appointed directors of the Barnet Music Service, joined us for the strings concert. This is what she wrote afterwards...

I would really like to share with your staff and pupils what a lovely afternoon I had at Woodcroft today.

I started working for BEAT in September and this is one of my first musical experiences in schools whilst in Barnet and what an excellent impression the young players made. I was most impressed with their confidence, self assurance and very importantly their enthusiasm. It was such a pleasure to play alongside competent, emerging string players and all at one school!

If only all schools welcomed and supported music in the way Woodcroft does.

Best wishes

Sue Baker

Director of Standards and Excellence (Barnet Education Arts Trust)



Updated Menu



We have been notified that Barnet Catering Services have made some minor changes to the Winter Menu. A new copy is attached to this Newsletter. For school meals information please visit:

<https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/school-meals-information/>



Christmas Book Fair - Final Day Monday 26th November

The FINAL day of our Christmas Book Fair will be on Monday 26th November at 3.15pm in the main hall. Come and select from a wide range of books available.

Reception Class Applications for 2019



Parents of children in Nursery should now be thinking about applying for Reception Class in September 2019. The deadline is January 15th, but time passes quickly and it is essential that you complete the form before the deadline. Please be aware that a place in our Nursery does not guarantee automatic entry to Reception.

Reception Admissions Application Workshops: Mr Tallon will be available on the following dates to support parents with their applications. Please come along to the school office.

- Friday 30th November at 9.00am and 12.30pm (please come to the school office after drop off)
- Thursday 6th December at 9.00am and 12.30pm (please come to the school office after drop off)

Winter PE Uniform

Don't forget to send your child to school with a navy-blue sweatshirt and joggers for PE and games lessons during the cold weather. Thank you.



**Monday 3rd December
3.15pm in the Main Hall**



We are holding a fundraising tombola and would like to ask for any donations of unwanted gifts or nearly new items!

**Gifts, Toys, Toiletries,
Bottles of Drink**

Thank you

Y3 Ukulele Concert Invitation

Families of Year 3 pupils are invited to a special Ukulele performance on **Monday at 11.00am**.

All pupils in Y3 learn to play this instrument, and every term they put on a short show - we look forward to seeing you in the main hall.



December 'Festive' Diary

3rd Christmas 'Fundraising' Tombola 3.15pm (any donations kindly accepted)

4th Y2 PM Performance to families 2.15pm

5th Y2 AM Performance to families 9.30am

6th Y1 PM Performance to families 2.15pm

7th Y1 AM Performance to families 9.30am

7th Winter Ball Disco

11th Reception & Nursery PM Performance at 2.15pm

12th Reception & Nursery AM Performance at 9.30am

13th Christmas Lunch (for pupils who take school meals)

14th Y6 WWII Christmas in the Oak Suite and Tardis from 9.30am to 10.30am

18th Y1, Y3 & Y4 Parties - further details will be sent out by classes

19th Y2, Y5 & Y6 Parties - further details will be sent out by classes

20th Nursery last day

20th Little Oaks Christmas Party 9.00am (this is also the last session until January 11th)

20th Reception and Nursery Christmas Parties

20th School Panto

21st Festival of Dance 9.30am (families of performing groups will be invited to attend - more details to follow)

21st Last Day of term - 2.00pm Finish

Pupils Return to school on 8th January 2018



The Birthday Book Club

*Thank you to the pupils who have had recent birthdays and joined our Birthday Book Club by donating a special book for the Library .
Don't forget to bring a book into school to celebrate you birthday!*



**Whole School
Attendance**

96.7%

EXCEEDING TARGET 96%

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week Beginning 12th November 2018

KS1 Class of the week: 2L 97.19% Excellent Attendance

KS2 Class of the week: 4T 98 % TOP CLASS! Well done!

