Woodcroft Online School - Parent Information



Woodcroft staff are incredibly proud of the way in which pupils have settled into online learning. We've had a lot of fun interacting with pupils and received some absolutely fabulous examples of work. This has been submitted in a wide variety of ways: via Google Docs, videos, photographs of artwork and photographs of written work. The standard, as always, has been inspirational!

The information below is a summary of online services which are available to support your child's learning, and should help you explain to your child what the school expects

them to be able to achieve each day. We understand that there may be reasons why pupils may not be able to complete every activity, but we ask that you ensure pupils keep in touch with their class via Google Classroom on a daily basis.

The school office is open daily, 9.00am - 3.30pm, in order to respond to telephone calls and emails should you have any further questions.

Getting Online

- If you have any problems logging in please email <u>woodcroftonline@woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk</u>
- Visit https://woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/virtual-school-online-learning/
 - Download the guides by clicking the links below:
 - Guide to Logging in to Google Classroom
 - Nursery Guide

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- Reception Guide
- Key Stage 1 Guide
- Key Stage 2 Guide



Online Safety

Woodcroft takes every precaution to ensure your child is safe online. When logged into Woodcroft Online you can be sure that pupils can only engage with other Woodcroft pupils and staff and that all services are logged and monitored.

To continue developing your child's knowledge of healthy online behaviours we encourage you to discuss online safety with your child. There are plenty of resources to support you in this, starting with Woodcroft's online safety page at <u>https://woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/e-safety/</u>.

We can also recommend Parent Info at <u>parentinfo.org</u>. They have just released a new article on how to stay safe whilst you are stuck at home. Excellent downloadable home activity packs with videos and resources can be found at <u>thinkuknow.co.uk</u>.

Nursery and Reception

- The Nursery and Reception Online Guides, which contain links to useful resources, are available on the Woodcroft website, or by clicking the links above .
- In Reception:
 - Weekly tasks will also be posted on Google Classroom.
 - Brain Builder homework will continue to be available via Smarthomework; posted every two weeks.

Key Stage One & Key Stage Two

Google Classroom

Meet your class online and receive tasks and assignments from your child's teacher. This is a safe space to interact with classmates and keep busy whilst away from school:

- Daily tasks will appear in your child's Google Classroom stream. These will be set by your child's class teacher and appear **by 9am every day**.
- First News will be available to read via your Classroom stream. Your child's class teacher may set some work based on the content of First News so it's a good idea to read this through with your child.
- Teachers will be available to answer questions and give feedback **at set times.** These will be published in due course.

Extra Curricular Activities

After 5.00pm look out for some extracurricular posts such as jokes, riddles and stories.

Friday Brainbuilder Homework Challenge

You will be able to look out for your child's weekly Brain Builder challenge on the **'Smarthomework'** button at the top of the Woodcroft website **after 5.00pm on a Friday**. 'Brain Builder' challenges are open-ended activities, which are due for return by the following Thursday at the latest.

Reading:

Encourage your child to read daily. Discuss the content of the book with them. Woodcroft recommends the website 'Storyweaver' - available on the 'Apps Button'.

Apps Button

We recommend the following apps, available on the 'Apps Button' when your child logs into the Woodcroft website:

- Times Tables Rockstars:
 - Spend a few minutes each day in the 'Garage' your child is working through an individually targeted program of times tables.
- Quizlet:
 - The website Quizlet is very useful for learning the meaning and spelling of vocabulary; play the following games:
 - Spell
 - Math
 - Gravity
- Khan Academy:
 - Watch videos to support learning.
 - Work through maths mastery challenges in the following order:
 - Early Math, Arithmetic, then Algebra
- Prodigygame.com
 - Enter a wizarding world of fun and cast spells to become a math-a-magician!
- Code.org:
 - Work through coding activities in courses set by your child's class teacher.
- Brainpop:
 - Watch movies or even make your own, challenge yourself to a quiz endless discovery!
- Storyweaver:
 - Read books online for free, or read along as the story is read to you!
- Duolingo
 - Learn Spanish!

Key Stage One & Two Daily Schedule

These are recommended minimum expectations which you can work into your own timetable. We understand families may need to adjust times to accommodate siblings who also need access to devices. We also acknowledge that other family circumstances and events may occur.

However, it is recommended that families establish a set routine, just like school, if they want to achieve continued success for their child.

Task 1 English (One per day: this could be Reading Comprehension / Writing / Spelling / Grammar & Punc)

Task 2 Maths (One directed task per day: e.g. Times Tables / Arithmetic / Online Maths)

Task 3 Topic / Science / Craft

Extras Extension

- Physical Activity (Joe Wicks Workout / Cosmic Kids Yoga)
- PSHE Poster Discussions
- Reading for pleasure
- Online Maths Learning (Brainpop, Time Tables Rockstars, Khan Academy, Prodigygame.com, Hit the Button)
- Other online learning websites (Quizlet (spelling), Duolingo (Spanish))

How does my teacher know I am doing my daily tasks?

Teachers monitor the work you are doing online:

- Completing online documents shared directly with pupils through Google Classroom.
- Photographs of handwritten work or drawings.
- Emails
- Screenshots of work on websites
- Website activity reports

How do my teachers keep a record of my online work?

Teacher keeps a check sheet of pupil engagement. This is checked by Mr Tallon and Mr Russell every week. If pupils are not keeping up to date with their tasks we will send text reminders and then call parents to discuss any issues.

Pupil Online Engagement Expectations

Pupils are expected to log on and engage with their Google Classroom in the virtual school every day unless they are ill. The school logs and monitors all activity. If your child is ill for more than one day and unable to engage with their google classroom please notify the school. You can even leave a message on the answer machine – just like normal school.

Day 1: Pupils are expected to log on every day (Mon - Fri)

Day 2: Parents must notify the school if their child is unable to contribute their online classroom

Day 3: The school will contact all parents if your child has not interacted online and we have not been provided with a reason.