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Together Towards Success

New on the website

Lots to look out for on our website:

- Reception Applications for 2021 - UPDATED
- Weekly News
- Breakfast Club OPENAcorns After School Club -
- OPEN
- Autumn Menus UPDATED

Twitter

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NHS Advice





PSHE Theme



Website link: https://www.anti-bullyingallian ce.org.uk/anti-bullying-week

Face Masks and Social Distancing

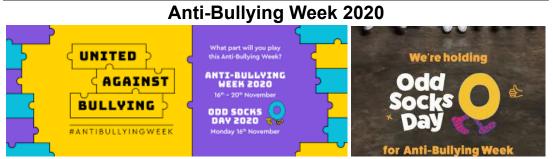
<u>Thank you</u> to all of our school community for helping keep everyone safe by supporting the wearing of masks and keeping socially



distant. During Lockdown all staff in school are wearing masks throughout the day when in corridors and communal areas.

We know that some are exempt from wearing face coverings and we are sensitive to those needs. So while we may ask, 'are you able to wear a mask?' we understand if you cannot.

We appreciate everyone for taking responsibility for protecting our staff and especially your children!



This week was anti-bullying week in schools around the country. In class we were thinking about the message **United Against Bullying** and how we can work together to build positive relationships. On Monday, we took part in the traditional **'Odd Socks Day'** as a symbol of appreciating everyone's uniqueness, respecting equality and diversity.



Pupil School Council News

Woodcroft pupils recently elected their class representatives without any reported voting irregularities. The first decision of the new School Council was to join the Eco-Schools programme! Our pupil representatives are very excited to now Eco-Schools be part of an Eco Council and have lots of ideas already that will have a positive impact within the school and the wider community. Adem (Y4) has already spoken to his class about our first initiative which is saving energy by switching off lights when we are not in the classroom. Adem said, 'I feel very proud to be an Eco Warrior at Woodcroft because together we can make a positive difference to our environment. I enjoyed talking to my class about protecting our world for future generations'.

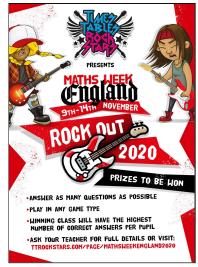
Information for Nursery Parents



Parents of Nursery age children (born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017) should now be thinking about applying for your child's Reception Class place for September 2021. Online applications are now

open at https://www.oodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/reception-class-admissions/

Times Tables - Rock Out 2020 - Final Results



Years 1 to 6 took part in **Rock Out 2020**! Congratulations to the Woodcroft winners ...

Class Winners: 1st: 6G, 2nd: 5R, 3rd: 4T, KS1: 2L Individual Awards: Jihaan 5R, Adem 4T, Manaal 2L

The winners were invited to a special online awards event on Wednesday to receive their prizes.

It is vital to know your times tables. Secure knowledge of multiplication unlocks your maths potential. It is important that parents and carers encourage children to practice times tables every day. In school we say practice makes knowledge permanent!

'Practice Makes Permanent'

Woodcroft Success in London 'Air quality' Competition

We didn't get to see Maya's 'London Air Quality Banner' design last week! So here it is ...



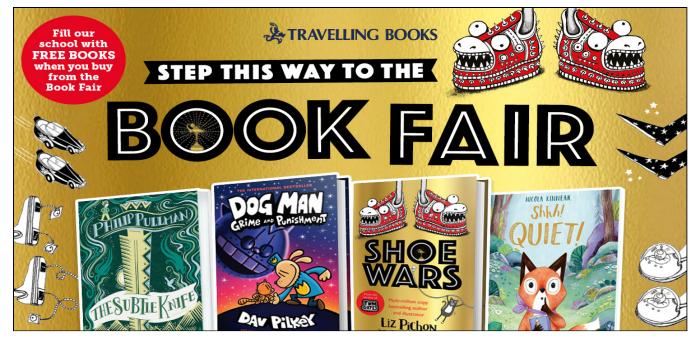


The Birthday Book Club



Don't forget, if you have enjoyed a recent birthday you can bring in a book so that we can celebrate it in the Newsletter. You then join the Birthday Book Club!

Whole School Attendance ↑91.9%↑ Aiming for 96% Weekly Class Attendance Champions For the week beginning 16th November 2020 KS1 Class of the week: 2L 95.3% Good attendance KS2 Class of the week: 4T 99.6% TOP CLASS - great attendance





Book Fair 24th November - 1st December

This year, our Christmas Book Fair is a bit different. We have sent out a book fair catalogue to pupils. A link to browse the books is also here **Book Catalogue**

<u>Choices</u>. Basically, you order your books through the school, but pay the company! It is <u>NOT</u> like ordering online from Amazon! But we do get up to 60% commission for the school library! This is what to do:

- 1. A catalogue and order form was sent home today. Also browse books here ...
- 2. Fill out the order form making sure it contains School Customer ID number 18504167
- 3. Call **0330 088 5756** to pay for the books (this is an automated service) and you will be given a Transaction Code to write on the form.
- 4. Write the **Transaction Code** on your order form and return it to school (in book bags) this code is your proof of payment
- 5. **The school then orders your books**. We only can order your books if we have an order form that has been returned.
- 6. Please <u>do not</u> send money into school! But we <u>do need</u> your order form by Tuesday 1st December.

The books will then be delivered to school at the beginning of December and handed out to the children to take home. The **school gets up to 60% commission** to receive **FREE** books for our library. If you have any questions please email Miss Lloyd (<u>slloyd@woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk</u>).

We hope that you will enjoy browsing for a book and find lots that you'd like to read!

Text Service - Make sure we have your latest number

Do you receive school texts? We send out text reminders every week. If you didn't receive these texts please call the school office to update your number. It is vital that you are able to receive all emergency notifications and general reminders. Thank you.



Christmas Cards

We have been asked about the school position on Christmas Cards this year. Unfortunately, due to COVID19 we will <u>not</u> be able to allow Christmas Cards to be handed out in school this

year. This means pupils will not be able to bring cards to give to each other or their teacher. We realise that this will be disappointing to many, however we would not be able to safely distribute them.



Art Week



Woodcroft celebrated another fantastic Art Week for the Autumn term! This term's theme was STEM to STE[+a]M where we celebrated visual art using the sciences as inspiration. Each year group had a focus artist who they researched and Art techniques which were learnt and developed. Artwork inspired by their focus

artist was produced throughout the school. Each class has put up a display of their amazing work in the Gallery Corridor - and we shall be turning this into a virtual gallery on the website. We can all agree they have done a wonderful job and that it has been another successful Art Week at Woodcroft!





Christmas most definitely isn't cancelled this year but we are having to restrict many of the normal events and activities.

December Diary

- Christmas Lunch Thursday 10th December
- Jack and the Beanstalk Online Panto Monday 14th December
- Y1, Y3 & Y4 Parties Tuesday 15th December
- Y2, Y5 & Y6 Parties Wednesday 16th December
- Nursery and Reception Parties 17th December
- Nursery Last Day 17th December
- Last Day of Term Friday 18th December
- Pupils return to school on Tuesday 5th January 2021

End of Term Parties

Pupils will be having their end of term Christmas Parties this year but we will not be asking parents to provide food and snacks. We hope to ask our Parents Association (that has obviously been very quiet this year) to provide some funds to buy treats for every class.