



Together Towards Success

## New on the website

Lots to look out for on our website:

- Bookface Challenge Gallery
- Back to School Updates

## Twitter

Follow us on Twitter: @WPS\_Success

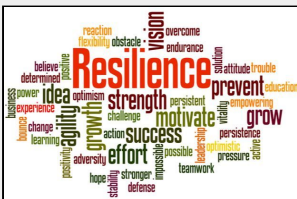
## NHS Advice



## PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about ...

### Being Resilient

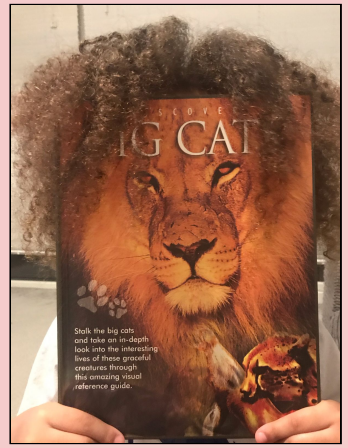


## Woodcroft Book Week and Comic Relief Dress-Up Day

The climax of our Book week coincided with Comic Relief Day - so we decided to have a relaxed dress-up (non-uniform) day to celebrate. Children could wear Red Nose Day red, dress as their favourite Book Week animal, or wear lots of green to fit with our sustainable nature theme; really anything was fine as we know how difficult it is to get to get special clothes during a lockdown!

Classes studied a special book for the week, also got to vote for their favourite animal in The Woodcroft Masked Reader! Take a look at the final five in the Grand Final here ... <http://bit.ly/3r69Ws9>

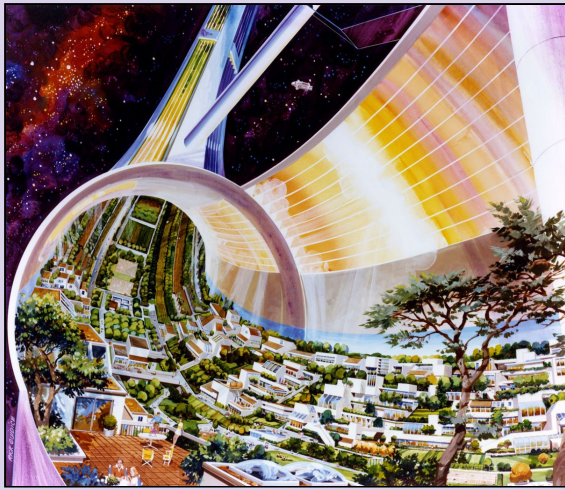
Take a look at some more photographs from today later in this newsletter.



### THE BOOKFACE CHALLENGE

We have had some amazing Bookface photos submitted already Here are some great examples from Woodcroft pupils. Keep them coming in as we have created an online gallery on the website here... <http://bit.ly/2QITtUh>





## Art Week

This term's Art Week theme is **'Futuristic Art!'** which will take place the week beginning Monday 22nd March 2021.

Each year group will have a focus artist, art skill and an exciting project to complete in class! They will research a chosen artist, learn or develop a skill through creating their own piece of art inspired by the artist, and reflect on their art work.

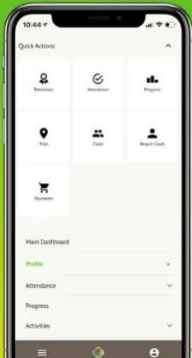
We have no doubt that there will be some inspiring creations which we look forward to seeing! Photographs of the fantastic artwork created will then be shared and available for you to see on the school website.



**What will the future hold?**

## Welcome to the Parent Portal

Access all your info in one place

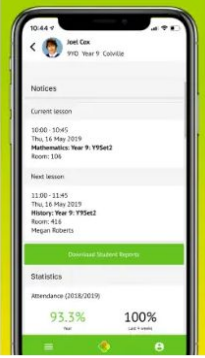


Have you activated your **Arbor Parent Portal**? **216** pupil accounts have now been activated by their parents and carers!

Everyone has been sent an Arbor welcome email to enable you to access your child's information page.

You can check and update your child's information, and over the coming months we will then gradually add more features such as Messaging, Assessment Information, Behaviour Reports and Cashless Payments. All this from one convenient and secure login!

Check on your child from anywhere



**IMPORTANT NOTE:** parents who have tried this out for us report that it is quick and easy. However, you may need to use a tablet or laptop the very first time you login as some phones do not allow you to press the 'accept terms' button because of their screen size. Once this is done they say that it is easy to login using your phone.

## Nursery Places For September

**30 Hours FREE Childcare is available at Woodcroft Nursery**



Now is the time to reserve your place in our Nursery ready for this September. Contact the school office to discuss enrolling your child on our register. Children born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018 are eligible for a Nursery place at Woodcroft starting in September 2021.

**\*\*\*Contact our school office to reserve your place\*\*\***

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 government's **30 hours free childcare** offer through the Government website [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk).

BOOK WEEK ANIMAL DRESS-UP





## ACORNS CLUB IS BACK FROM MONDAY 15th MARCH

Open every evening during term time from 3:30 - 5.30 pm

**DUE TO COVID19 ACORNS WILL BE RUNNING A MODIFIED SERVICE**

For pupils from Reception to Year 6

| **Arts & Crafts** | **Film Nights** | **Multi Sports** | **Games** |

### NEW REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Thank you to everyone who responded to our survey - we had a fantastic response. As a result we will now be reopening Acorns from next week. We will restart the club with an initial maximum of 18 places from Monday 15th March.

#### **Updated Pricing**

We listened to your feedback and have revised our arrangements to make the services as cost effective as possible. However, to make it viable, and keep running, we will need at least 12 children per session to cover our costs. For one hour until 4.30pm it will cost £5.00 per child, or for two hours until 5.30pm it will be £8.00 per child.

#### **Book Using School Money**

Parents who have previously registered will be now able to book sessions. If you would like to register your child for the first time you will need to call the school office so that we can add you to the booking page.

To ensure space for social distancing the club moved away from the Oak Suite and into the dining room area.

Due to Early Years staffing ratios we will only be able to accept pupils of statutory school age from Reception to Year 6. Unfortunately, we cannot accept children from Nursery.

Collection will now be from the back entrance of the school in Wolsey Grove and at two specified allocated times of 4:30pm and 5:30pm.

Should the demand for spaces exceed this availability then priority provision will be allocated to the children of key workers.

#### **What to do next**

1. Pre registered pupils can now book sessions for Monday 15th March (call the office if you can't see Acorns on School Money listed under clubs)
2. New children must be added to the Acorns register by calling the school office first
3. All sessions must be booked in advance using School Money
4. The charges are as follows:  
**3:30 – 4:30pm = £5.00 (1 hour)**  
**3:30 – 5:30pm = £8.00 (Full session)**
5. If you collect after your allocated time you will be charged an additional £3.00
6. Light refreshments are included in the price (but this is not a meal)
7. Collection is via the back gate in Wolsey Grove (**Not the main front entrance**)

# ONLINE PARENT EVENINGS FOR CHILDREN IN ALL YEARS

Dear Parents/Carers

We are holding parent consultation evenings for Parents and Carers on **Tuesday 23rd March** and **Thursday 25th March 2021**. This will be an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress and how they have settled back into school with the classteacher.

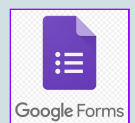


This time we are staying 'VIRTUAL'. All consultations will be online via a video call using a Google Meet link on your phone, tablet or laptop.

\*We had hoped to use the Arbor Parent Portal but this is not quite ready so we are using the same system as last October\*

## How to arrange a meeting

1. You will have been sent an online [Google Booking Form \(you can also click here\)](#)
2. **Please complete and return your form, via the submit button, to your child's class teacher by Monday 22nd March**
3. The class teacher will then schedule your **10 minute** appointment and send you an email notification with a unique link that is only for you.
4. Check the link works and that your phone/device does not need any Google updates



## Meeting the teacher

1. On the evening, at the arranged time, click on the link using your phone, tablet or laptop (make sure your camera and microphone are working and switched on). The teacher will not contact you first, they will be waiting for you to join the link.

*Note: you can log on to the meeting before your allotted time. No one else will be there as it is a unique link for you. The teacher will then join the link at the allotted time.*

2. Teachers will stick strictly to timings. Please click your link promptly or before the start of your allotted time.

Please note:

- Timings will need to be strictly adhered to
- Teachers will not call you beforehand to start the meeting - you just need to log on and be there ready on the Google Meet chat link.

**\*\*\* if you have issues with access to video calls please email your teacher separately to request a telephone call instead. We request that you still complete the booking form \*\*\***

## Term Dates

With the Easter break approaching it is a good time to check you have our up to date term dates. It is also worth remembering that not all schools share the same holiday dates!

- The last day of term is Wednesday 31st March at 2.00pm
- Nursery finishes the day before on Tuesday 30th March
- Pupils return to school on Monday 19th April

All of our term dates can always be found on our website :

<https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/term-dates/>

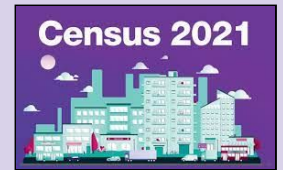
## Attendance

We have been very pleased with attendance since our return to school. We are currently averaging around 95% attendance. We can always do better and **our target is still to get above 96% every day!**



## Census Day is 21st March

*Dont forget to take part!*



The Citizens Advice Bureau are offering help to those who need it in completing the CENSUS. To book an appointment please call / email;

Telephone: 020 3301 7700

Email: [census@barnetcab.org](mailto:census@barnetcab.org). [ucensus@barnetcab.org](mailto:ucensus@barnetcab.org) [barnetcab.org.uk](http://barnetcab.org.uk)