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New on the Website

- Times Tables Rock Stars - National Success
- Secondary Transfer Information

We have now returned to a 3.15pm dismissal

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NHS Advice

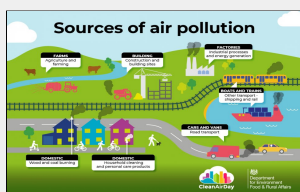


Wear face mask

PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about ...

Air Pollution



The English Schools' Football Association have announced the return of Schools' Football Week from 24 – 30 May 2021

Schools' Football Week is an ESFA initiative designed to highlight the huge scale of Schools' Football in England. It is also an opportunity for schools, teams and clubs from across the country to embrace the wellbeing benefits it provides to pupils and players.

The main focus for Schools' Football Week 2021 is to provide an opportunity for children to **get outside, have fun and enjoy** being able to play sport with their school friends, competitively or otherwise.

Game On! Day

At Woodcroft we are planning to host a week of football activities in our PE and games lessons. Then on Wednesday 26 May it is national 'Game On!' day. The ESFA wants to create the 'biggest football match in the world' and

Woodcroft has registered to take part! We will be hosting a continuous game of Football from 12.00 to 2.00pm with teams from KS2 also taking part in a special tournament hosted by our coach, Mr Raw. Classes have been getting themselves into mixed teams of 6 and deciding on a fun team name. KS1 and Foundation Stage will also get involved on their own playgrounds.



Football Kit - Non Uniform Day on Wednesday

Wednesday's 'Game On!' day will also be a special non-uniform day. Pupils can come dressed in their own favourite team's football kit (no boots please). Don't worry if you don't have a football kit, just wear your own sports gear.

Year 5 Air Pollution Campaign: A Demand for Cleaner Air!

A report by Emily G (Y5)



About one month ago Year 5 watched a live Zoom performance called 'Abbie Ayre'. Abbie Ayre taught us about air pollution and how it is affecting the world and our health. A few days after that we decided to do a traffic survey on Watling Avenue. We saw **so** many cars and there was even a tractor! Unfortunately, walking and cycling was not a popular choice for Watling Avenue. In fact, there was not a cyclist to be seen! So the next lesson we wrote persuasive letters to Air Quality Consultants in Barnet asking for change. We shared ideas for Watling

Avenue and suggestions about the whole of Barnet. It took quite a while but we *finally* got a letter back from Clelia Chelmi Barnet Environmental Health). She said they are planning to add more green spaces and some car parks in Watling Avenue to create cycling space. I hope they keep their word! We will keep a check on their promises.

Year 5 Victorian School Day

A report by Alae (Y5)

Last Monday, Year 5 pupils were learning about life in the Victorian times. Fortunately we got an opportunity to attend a Victorian classroom with the help of 'Mr Copperfield' (AKA Mr Rees!). We were taught how to behave in his classroom and learned rules such as: children must be seen and not heard. Did you know that in Victorian lessons students had to wear 'the dunce cap'. The dunce cap was a paper cone that had a 'D' on it. The teachers would put it on your head as a punishment when you misbehaved or got an answer wrong. Guess who got picked out in last week's Victorian lesson - Me! This was better than getting the cane though, when pupils would actually be hit with a stick by their teachers! In conclusion, Year 5 had an awesome time learning the Victorian ways.



Year 5 Secondary Transfer Information

From the 1st September, parents and carers of pupils who will be in Year 6 (current Year 5) will be able to complete their child's application to secondary school in 2022. However, parents need to be thinking about the process now by checking school websites for open days and virtual events. We have a page on our website that contains the latest information:

<https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/secondary-transfer-2022/>

Parents who were unable to attend last night's online presentation can download the slides and guides. You can also visit Barnet school admissions for more information:

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-secondary-school>



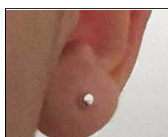
Water Bottles



Can we remind parents and carers to ensure your child has a personal water bottle. These need to be washed and re-filled before school every day. Please note, we do not provide children with water bottles if they are forgotten or lost. Make sure your child's bottle is **clearly named**.

Children who do not have water are not able to use water fountains. So, as the weather becomes warmer (we hope) will be even more essential than ever to ensure your child is able to keep themselves hydrated.

Earrings



A reminder that we have a '**studs for school**' earring policy. Pupils with pierced ears should not come to school in hooped or drop earrings. This is part of our uniform policy and to help keep everyone safe from injury.

Please ensure that your child has appropriate earrings for school. Thank you.

Sleep!



The days are getting longer and lockdown restrictions are easing (fingers crossed) so it is important to remember the importance of sleep and routines for children. Class Teachers have reported some children becoming very tired during the school day - this probably means they are not getting enough sleep. Tiredness can seriously affect your performance in school!

[Click here to see the benefits of a good night's sleep](#)


When we last surveyed our pupils we were surprised by the number who had access to screens in their bedrooms after they were sent to bed. Research shows that children aged 6 to 12 years old need between 9 and 12 hours of good sleep as part of a regular bedtime routine.

Most importantly, children should have all portable screen devices removed from their bedroom at night e.g. phones and tablets.

Summer Term Dates

- Half Term School Holiday - Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June
- Summer Term 2 - Monday 7 June - Friday 23 July
- Pupils Return - Monday 7 June 2021 **(This date is a change to the original diary date due to the Government request for schools to move an INSET Day so they could remain closed to pupils due to COVID on 18th December 2020)**
- Last Day of Term - Friday 23 July (Nursery Finishes Thursday 22 July)
- Pupils Return for the new school year on Monday 6 September 2021

Term dates can always be found on our website: <https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/term-dates/>

 **Remember: listening to children read aloud, and discussing books, every day for at least 10 to 15 minutes is THE best thing you can do to support the education of your child.**

The Birthday Book Club



WOW! We are always happy to hear about pupils who have enjoyed recent birthdays celebrated by donating books for their Class Library.

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to ...

Remy (Y1) age 6

