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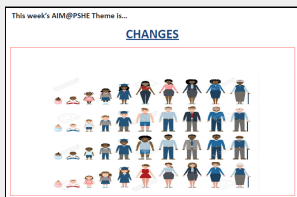
Wear face mask

We will continue to wear masks during the last week of term. Thank you.

PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about ...

Changes



We are thinking about what happens as we grow older.

An End Of An Era (kind of!)

We will be saying au revoir to Pat, our morning caretaker, this Summer. Pat has been with Woodcroft for nearly 40 years and has decided to finish her regular contract. She will not be saying goodbye fully though. Pat will still be working some occasional days and keeping an eye on the school site for us. But we think she deserves a bit of a rest, and the occasional lie in after opening the school every day!

Sad Goodbye

We shall also be saying goodbye to Miss Turner who is moving schools to become a cover supervisor at Copthall High. Miss Turner has been a teaching assistant for 10 years and has supported pupils in every key stage. We wish her well in her new job.

Goodbye to the Class of 21



We will also be saying goodbye to our Year 6 next week. They have not had an ideal end to their time at Woodcroft due to COVID disruptions, but they have been an exceptional year group throughout the years. We wish them all the very best as they embark on the next stage of their school careers and look forward to hearing about all of their future successes.

Class Photos Next Week



Class photos are being published via photo processing onto photographic paper size 9" x 6". We will be distributing class photos to all children next week. Thank you to everyone for their £1 contributions.

We Finish for the summer at 2.15pm on Friday 23rd July

Please note that the last day of term is Friday 23rd July. This is later than some authorities. We will finish at 2.15 pm on the final Friday

Bubbles, one way systems and masks remain next week

We are not changing any of our COVID19 systems for the final week of term. All bubbles, mask wearing, social distancing and hygiene practices will continue as normal. Thank you.

We are switching school payment providers next term!

From Friday 10th September you will not be able to use School Money for Woodcroft. All transactions will need to be completed by Thursday 9th September. We are switching to Arbor for ALL school payment services. If you have not done so already you will need to activate your Arbor Parent Portal. All balances will be transferred across from School Money.



Arbor Parent Portal



We are putting everything for parents in one place with the **Arbor Parent Portal**.



From September you will be now able to make online payments through the Arbor portal.

Most parents have already registered to access their account. Reminder emails will be re-sent next to everyone who still needs to log on. Please check your inbox and junk folders for the welcome emails from Arbor.

The Arbor system will be used for Email, Messaging, Assessment Information, Behaviour Reports and now Cashless Payments. All this from one convenient and secure login!

IMPORTANT NOTE: The first time you log on you will need to use a computer, laptop or tablet.

Parents who have done this already report that it is quick and easy. However, some phones do not allow you to press the 'accept terms' button because of their screen size. However, once this is done for the first time they say that it is easy to login using your phone.

Nursery Places for September 2021

30 Hours FREE Childcare is available at Woodcroft Nursery



A few places still remain in our Nursery for September 2021! Contact the school office to discuss putting your child on our register. 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.

Meet The Teacher - Now On Wednesday 21st July

Due to Eid, 'Meet the Teacher' morning will now be scheduled for Wednesday 21st July. All pupils will spend a lesson with their new teachers. This includes all of our new staff who will be in school that day to meet their classes.













School Shoes Are Coming Back

Please note that from September pupils will again be required to wear school shoes as part of their uniform.

Staff Achievement Celebration

We celebrate the achievements of pupils, however did you know that the wonderful staff at Woodcroft are often busy studying after the end of the school day in order to become better practitioners. Let us celebrate some of the achievements and qualifications that they have earned over the past 18 months of lockdown!

 <p>Accredited NPQ provider Department for Education</p>	Mr Guest was awarded his National Professional Qualification for Middle Leadership, accredited by the Department for Education, following a year of study and the successful completion of a 5,000 word final assignment.
	Ms Lloyd, Mrs Brown and Mr Tallon are now accredited phonics practitioners for the Sounds-Write programme. They completed a 5 week intensive training programme involving weekly assessments and observed lessons. We will now be phasing in this programme throughout the school over the next year to enhance our teaching of reading and spelling.
	Miss Jackson and Mr Rees have completed a 6 week HISP Science Modular Programme to learn about the latest research in curriculum development and effective teaching.
	Mr Mansour, Mr Guest, Miss Bux and Mr Tallon have embarked on the Chartered College of Teaching's Certificate of Evidence-Informed Practice. Over the course of the term the teachers have been studying the recent research evidence into effective teaching strategies.
	Mrs Gignac and Mr Tallon are now accredited assessment lead practitioners following their successful completion of a prestigious year-long course at 'masters level' involving termly assessments and bi-weekly assignments and a final project to update school practice.
	A number of teachers are in the process of becoming Certified Google Educators. Well done to Mr Guest and Mrs Brown for completing their training and passing the final examinations.
	Ms Vanner, who took over the role of Designated Safeguarding Lead this year, has now completed all of her statutory training for this crucial role to ensure our child protection systems are fully in place.
	Mr Russell completed training to become a School Partnership Programme facilitator to develop school improvement through partnership with other schools.
	Mrs Glass and Mrs Brown completed the 'Little Acorns' training programme from the Primary Knowledge Curriculum in order to develop the Foundation Stage curriculum offered at Woodcroft.
	Mrs Valoti, Ms Gignac, Mr Guest, Mrs Baldwyn, Mrs Hurley and Mr Tallon are all qualified Bronze Arts Award Advisors for Trinity College London. Having successfully delivered the Bronze Arts Award since 2015 to more than 200 pupils with 100% passes Woodcroft is now recognised as a Trinity Champion Centre.
	Ms Vanner successfully achieved the National Award for SEN Coordination (NASENCO). This is a statutory 'masters level' qualification for all SENCOs

Bronze Arts Award

Our Year 6 pupils have submitted their Bronze Arts Award work to Trinity College, London. The children have worked very hard to produce work across the arts in clay sculpting, painting, illustrating, printing, stenciling, acting and music. They have also completed their own in depth research on an inspirational person who has inspired them to produce their artwork. This extensive work includes a wide range of famous people in the art world such as Beethoven, Bach, Rodin, Rothko, Lichtenstein, Vexx, Chadwick Boseman, Rowan Atkinson, Quentin Blake and Zachary Hsieh. We wish our Year 6 pupils every success as we await their results and look forward to welcoming them back to receive their Trinity College certificates during an evening award celebration on 30th September. **Mrs Valoti**



Bronze Arts Award Report by Maya Y6



Every year, Year Six pupils are able to try and achieve their Bronze Arts Award qualification. This year, I was lucky enough to be able to take part in this incredible opportunity. To fulfil the requirements of the course, my classmates and I had to write pieces about some of the things we did: participating in creating a piece of art, being part of an audience, researching an artist and, most importantly, teaching an art skill. We saw (virtually) two theatre productions: The Wizard of Oz and Shrek. Abass Dodoo from One Drum visited and taught us how to do

African Drumming. Also, we created etching artwork inspired by Susan Aldworth and researched chosen artists. Furthermore, everyone who took part in the qualification had to teach an art skill that they chose to the class. I taught both classes how to blend pastels to create a sunrise. Overall, I really enjoyed participating in the Bronze Arts Award and it was a great experience for me.

By Maya

Woodcroft Awarded Trinity Champion Centre Status for 2021-22



This week we formally received our certificate announcing that Woodcroft Primary School has been named as a Trinity College Champion Centre for 2021/2022 for our successful delivery of the Bronze Arts Award Trinity qualification to our Year 6 pupils. Woodcroft is the only primary school in the South East of England and one of only six primary schools in the whole country who have been awarded this status. As a Trinity Champion Centre Woodcroft will be supporting and inspiring other organisations by sharing our good practice and

advocating for accreditation in our local community and more widely.

Take a look at the Arts Award website - can you find Woodcroft on the map?

<https://www.artsaward.org.uk/site/?id=2575>

Woodcroft Dancers in Barnet Schools' Virtual Dance Festival

Woodcroft dancers took part In the Barnet Virtual Dance 2021 and we received this message from organiser, Anne Fisher... *"Thank you so much for taking part in the Barnet Schools' Virtual Dance Festival 2021, especially in such difficult times and with so many restrictions in place. As always, you and your students go that extra mile and produce incredibly interesting and creative, quality work."*



Summer Reading Challenge 2021

WILD WORLD Heroes

Presented by The Reading Agency.
Delivered in partnership with libraries.



WORKING TOGETHER TO
INSPIRE YOUNG
READERS TO STAND UP
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The Summer Reading Challenge is back!

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**WILD WORLD
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Wild World Heroes will take you on a trip to Wilderville, with help from WWF, for a special nature-themed challenge that will inspire you to stand up for the planet. With amazing books, amazing rewards and lots of ideas for taking care of the environment. Collect special stickers and other exclusive rewards along the way; and remember it's **FREE!** Pop along to your library from Saturday 10th July or download the registration form from our website and take it down to the library: <https://bit.ly/3wTyhp2>

The Woodcroft Summer Reading Challenge



At Woodcroft we shall be running our own Summer Reading Challenge. What's great is that it can run alongside Wild World Heroes. Your Woodcroft target is to choose 3 of the books that you have read and complete an assignment that will be set by your child's new teacher on meet the teacher day. To complete each assignment you will need to read a different new book. These can be the ones from the library that you choose as part of Wild World Heroes, or they can be ones from home that you haven't got around to reading yet. When we return in September pupils will hand in their 3 reading tasks to their new teacher.

The Birthday Book Club



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

Sophia (Year 2) age 7 and Lilly Sue (Year 1) age 6



Year 6 Bushcraft Camp: Report By Ruben

We arrived after an exhausting hour and a half on the coach and walked up a hill and into the camp. We then had to light and cook our food on an open fire. An interesting activity was shelter building, as our tribe made a natural shelter and we had to collect ferns to make it waterproof. For another activity (camouflage and concealment) we had to put camouflage face paint and try to blend in with the woods while playing hide and seek and predator.

Dinner on the first night was pasta bolognese and it was very welcoming after a day in the woods.

Fun Fact: Year 6 parents have no reason not to ask your children to wash the dishes as they learned how to at Bushcraft.

On the second day, we - in my opinion - took part in the best activity: archery! This was followed by tomahawk-axe throwing. We all survived! During the trip it rained and we got really muddy. We also went on a long walk when we had to use our first-aid skills to attend a simulated plane crash: we found Miss Maynard and Mr Guest covered in (fake) blood and surrounded by clouds of smoke!

On the final day, we had to clear out our tents and prepare to leave. We left camp at around 1 o'clock. We left on the coach and I think most of us went straight to bed when we got home. We had a great time and I would recommend it to Year 5 if they get a chance to go next year.

Ruben Y6



Final Week Diary 2021

July

16th Year 5 End of Term Celebration Sleepover

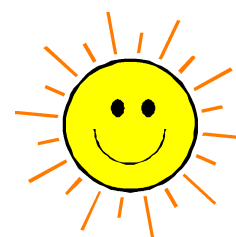
21st Meet the Teacher Morning (new date)

21st Y6 Leavers Event (updated)

Arts Award Moderation Day with Trinity College London for Year 6

22nd Nursery Final Day

23rd Last Day of Term (2.15pm Finish)



September

Pupils return to school on Monday 6th September 2021

BACE Holidays for Children that receive Free School Meals

BACE Holidays stands for Barnet. Active. Creative. Engaging. Holidays! A project delivered in partnership by Barnet Council and Young Barnet Foundation and funded by the Department for Education to offer children and young people who currently receive free school meals access to enriching activities and a healthy lunch over the holiday periods.

School holidays can be pressure points for some families due to increased costs and reduced incomes. BACE Holidays is an inclusive programme for children and young people in Barnet to experience engaging and healthy activities with an emphasis on physical, emotional, and nutritional wellbeing during the school holidays.

Children and young people will be given the opportunity to take part in an activity face to face at one of our Summer BACE Camps and receive a nutritionally balanced lunch. Activities may include; football, cricket, arts and crafts, performing arts and lots more. The Summer Camps are **FREE** and for all children currently in receipt of free school meals.

The BACE Summer booklet can be downloaded here: <https://bit.ly/3yz2Fpf>

If you would like your child to be considered for a priority place on the base programme please let us know in school and we will email your details to BACE Holidays at Barnet.



To download the base brochure click here: <https://bit.ly/3yz2Fpf>

Bringing Communities Together!



A reminder that a local parent is organising an event to support the community. She is promoting small and family businesses involved in arts, crafts and handmade items. Her first event is happening with the kind support of John Keble Church on Saturday 17th July between 10.00am and 5.00pm.

Why not pop along and support this event on Saturday.

(Note: This event is not linked to Woodcroft Primary)



'Be Internet Legends' Livestream

On Tuesday the 13th of July, We watched the 'Internet Legends' YouTube livestream for pupils in Year Six all over the UK. The assembly was quite interactive, as you could submit your answers via a live quiz. The livestream included questions on a variety of topics. This includes: our internet safety, the childline number and help, to how we're feeling about secondary school and our transition! It was an interesting livestream and a marvellous introduction to: Be Sharp, Be Alert, Be Secure, Be Kind and Be Brave. Woodcroft even received a 'shout out' in recognition of the completion of the Be Internet Legends curriculum.

Report by Fadwa, Y6

PRO SOCCER COACHING

Summer camps 2021

KINGSBURY HIGH SCHOOL, (UPPER SITE) PRINCES AVENUE, KINGSBURY, NW9-9JR

Dates:
MON 23RD-FRI 27TH AUGUST

Time:
10-3PM
(EARLY DROPS FROM 9.15 AVAILABLE)

Price:
£70 PER CHILD PER WEEK
£40 FOR ADDITIONAL SIBLINGS

Age:
4-13 YRS

Every child receives A trophy

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www.prosoccercoaching.org

POSITIVE CASES OF COVID IN SCHOOL

Our thoughts are with members of our school community who are currently suffering the effects of COVID19. The past few weeks have seen an increase in the number of reported cases in our community so it is vital that we maintain our safety measures. Thank you to all of our parents and carers for continuing to wear masks, following the one way system and maintaining a social distance.