# WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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## New on the Website

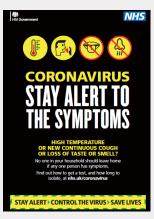
 School Organisation for September

#### **Twitter**



#### **COVID Advice**





#### IMPORTANT MEETINGS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Next week we continue holding important information evenings for parents. They start at 4.00pm and finish around 4.30pm. Plenty of time for you to get home and log on via tablet, phone or laptop. All meetings are online using Google Meet. Each year group is on a different evening. Click the links at the allotted time to meet the teachers. You can mute your mic and switch off your camera! With time at the end for questions.

Y3 Meeting Tuesday 21st <u>meet.google.com/mrv-fvcp-hsd</u>

Y2 Meeting Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> meet.google.com/rco-rzhf-quq

Y1 Meeting Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> meet.google.com/nan-jefd-hbz

\*\*if you have not used Google Meet you can check the links work anytime before the meeting\*\*



## Y5 and Y6 Saracens Information Evening

Dr. Matt Stevens, Principal of Saracens High, will be giving a talk to Woodcroft pupils and parents on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 4.00pm via Zoom meeting.

Before the meeting take a look at the school prospectus and subject information videos on their website:

https://www.saracenshigh.org

or click <u>here</u> for the School Prospectus and <u>here</u> for the Year 6 Secondary Transfer 2022 section.

Woodcroft Zoom Meeting: Tue 5 Oct 2021 4:30pm



https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72156002790?pwd=NFk2aGlxUzM3QTh4ZXBE ZVdaajQxUT09

Meeting ID: 721 5600 2790 Passcode: eAmN3H



St James Catholic are hosting an Open Evening on Wednesday 22 September 2021 from 5.30pm.

Further details can be accessed at

https://www.st-james.barnet.sch.uk/238/admissions-1

They look forward to welcoming Year 6 families to their evening.

# Last Few Nursery Places Remaining!

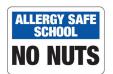
## 30 Hours FREE Childcare is available at Woodcroft Nursery

Childcare

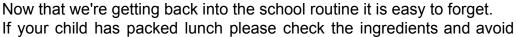
A few places still remain in our Nursery to start this September 2021! Contact the school office to discuss putting your child on our register. Woodcroft offers the FREE horizona in the control of the contr required. Parents of three and four year olds that are registered with Woodcroft's

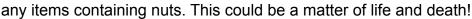
Nursery can also apply for the government's 30 hours free childcare offer through the Government website www.childcarechoices.gov.uk.

## **Woodcroft is a Nut Free School**



Did you know that we have three children in school with severe food allergies that need epipens to be available at all times? This requires close supervision of all food in the class and dining room.









We need your help! Woodcroft Reception Classes are taking part in 'it's Good to Grow' from Morrison's. For every £10 you spend in store or online at Morrisons you'll get a Grow Token to donate to Woodcroft. We will be able to exchange Grow Tokens for free gardening equipment to use in school.

Please help by asking friends and family as well. Send in your vouchers to your child's class or the Office and we shall make sure they get added to the Reception collection. Thank you.

## 1M Hearing and Sight - Rescheduled Session

The NHS team have informed us that they are rescheduling one of their sessions to check the hearing and sight of Year 1 pupils to next Thursday 23rd September. This will affect class 1M.

## 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 ...

Nadia (Year 2) age 7

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL PAYMENTS

## We have now switched school payment providers!

Please DO NOT try to use School Money for any Woodcroft payments. We are switching to Arbor for all school parent 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 over the next week.



Please be patient while we make all of these transfers.

## **Visit The Arbor Getting Started Webpage Today!**

You will find lots of helpful information and handy videos right here ... <a href="https://bit.ly/2YrKrsL">https://bit.ly/2YrKrsL</a>





## **Arbor Parent Portal**

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



You are now able to make online payments and see your child's information through the Arbor portal.

Most parents have already registered to access their account. Reminder emails have been sent to everyone who still needs to log on. If you have not registered, 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.

You can also download the Arbor App from the Google Play Store or the Apple App Store to easily log in to your school account.



Look out for the Arbor reminder emails in your inboxes on Friday

### **Year 6 Secondary Transfer**

Year 6 families should now apply for secondary school places. Copies of key documents can be found via the links below:

- 1. Barnet Letter to Parents
- 2. Secondary Transfer 2022 Applying for a School Place Leaflet
- 3. Online Admissions Guide 2022
- 4. Open Evening Schedules

Remember, the **deadline for applications is October 31st 2021**. It is a straightforward online process, however starting during the week beginning the 4th October Mr Tallon will open the school computing suite in the mornings to support any parent or carer complete their applications. More details in due course.

As the school receives brochures and posters, they will be distributed or added to the Weekly News.

#### Note to Year 5 parents:

There is nothing to stop you looking at the documents and visiting the secondary school open days in advance to get a feel for the schools and prepare for next year.

### **Diary Dates**

- > Parent Consultation Evenings 5th & 7th October
- > Flu Vaccinations 11th October
- > Harvest Basket Assemblies 14th October
- > International Day 22nd October
- > Half Term Break 25th to 29th October







## Nasal Flu Vaccinations Available For ALL Woodcroft Pupils

We have had a number of parents enquire about this year's flu vaccinations programme. Please note the information below.

Firstly, can I confirm that no child will ever be administered medication at school without a parent's FULL consent.

The nasal flu vaccination date for Woodcroft is Monday **11th October 2021**. This is intended for every primary school aged children from Reception to Year 6 (Nursery aged children will receive it via their GP service)

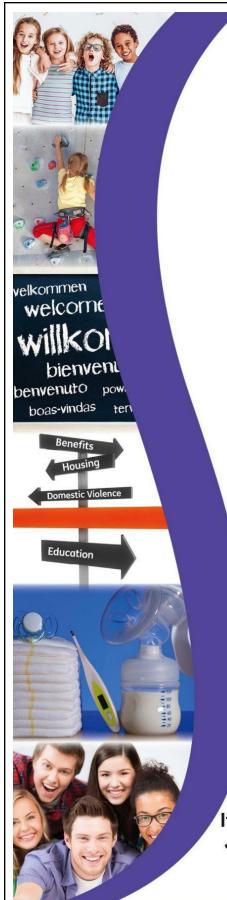
The children's flu vaccine is safe and effective. It's offered every year as a nasal spray to children to help protect them against flu. (Note: A vegan/halal version is available via injection can can be requested via the consent form)

Flu is caused by a virus. It can be a very unpleasant illness for children. It can also lead to serious problems, such as bronchitis and pneumonia. Children spread the flu easily. Vaccinating them also protects others who are vulnerable to the flu, such as babies and older people.

#### What next:

- Read the letter that was emailed to you from Barnet's Immunisation Team or visit this link for a PDF copy https://bit.ly/3EldkaH
- 2. Please give your **consent** by 6th October following this link (the link closes after this date): <a href="https://clchschoolimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu">https://clchschoolimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu</a>
- 3. Enter Woodcroft's unique code CL134677
- 4. If you want to read the NHS information leaflet click here: https://bit.ly/30AzELi

If you do not register your child they will NOT be given the vaccination!







Start Date: Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2021 Finish Date: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Graduation Date: Tuesday 14th December 2021

10-week Parenting Programme
(not including half-term 25/10/21)
Time: 12:30 – 2:00pm
Venue: Greentops Centre, Quakers Course,
Grahame Park NW9 5WR
This course will help you to:

- Gain an insight in to understanding your child.
- Develop better communication with your child.
- Build positive relationships within the family.
- Handle misbehavior using positive attention and Incentives to encourage cooperative behaviour.
  - Learn new parenting survival techniques.

If any parents are interested in this, please contact Jill Smith Woodcroft Family Support Co-ordinator at jsmith1@woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk





### **Updated COVID Organisation for September COVID Safety Arrangements**

We have updated our COVID contingency plan for how we respond to any cases in our pupil or staff community. Please take a look at the table below or download your copy here

## **Woodcroft Primary School**

Covid Contingency Plan v2 - Sept. 2021



When should my child self-isolate or miss school?





- If a member of a child's household or a close contact has Covid.
  - You should inform the school immediately
  - The child should stay at home and book a PCR test as soon as possible
  - o Access Woodcroft Online Learning
- If the PCR test is negative and they have no symptoms the child can then return to school immediately.





If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should <u>stay at</u> <u>home</u> and should book a PCR test), <u>NOT</u> a Lateral Flow test.

- If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test.
- If your child tests positive for Covid, they will need to self-isolate. The rest of the household should book a PCR test immediately.

#### Community Covid Risk

#### Description

#### **Actions**



Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.

- There have been no cases of Covid within school for 10 school days.
- Cases of Covid locally are low and/ or stable.
- Hospitalisation/ Deaths due to Covid nationally are low.

No Covid measures are necessary beyond:

- Reminding children of good hand-hygiene.
- Ensuring good ventilation is encouraged where practical.
- Monitor CO2 levels
- Ensuring Children / Staff to stay at home if they have Covid Symptoms (and to book a PCR test).

Staff will continue to test themselves using Lateral flow tests.



Rapidly Rising Community Transmission

- No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but...
- Cases of Covid are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools.
- Barnet Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings

- Ventilation of classrooms increased & hand-washing supervised.
- Large indoor gatherings reduced.
- Staff-room capacity is reduced (multiple mini staffrooms reinstated)
- Key stage assemblies go online
- Clinically Vulnerable staff meet with Line-Managers to review their individual risk assessment & discuss additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings, reduction in movement between classes/groups).

#### **Number of Cases:**

#### Description:

#### **Actions:**



# LEVEL 1 GREEN ALERT RESPONSE

A single child tests
Positive

## LEVEL 1 GREEN RESPONSE

- A single child or adult tests positive for Covid in a class.
- There are fewer than 5 cases in the year group.
- No other year groups are affected.
- The child self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it.
- The parents of the child are contacted directly by NHS Track and Trace to establish likely contacts.
- The school will contact parents to advise that there has been a case in the year group.
- Likely close contacts will be contacted by NHS
   Track & Trace and asked to book a PCR Test.
- When Parents book a PCR test they should keep their child off school until the result shows negative.
- The year group will limit contact with others in school e.g. children will not attend assemblies, staff and children do not move around the school.



# LEVEL 2 AMBER COVID RESPONSE

5 children or staff within a year group test positive within 10 days
OR
3 children or staff in a single class within

#### **LEVEL 2 AMBER RESPONSE**

There have been 5
 cases of Covid across a
 year group within 10
 days which could mean
 that Covid is spreading
 within that group of
 children.

#### As above for each year group affected

- The school will discuss the outbreak with Barnet Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures for 10 school days, including:
  - Re-introducing staff face masks for corridors & communal areas.
  - Limiting or postponing events, trips, open days and performances.
  - Reverting to Online Assemblies in classrooms.
  - Re-introducing class bubbles
  - Limit staff to year group bubbles
  - Continue twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing.



## RED COVID RESPONSE

Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.

#### **LEVEL 3 RED RESPONSE**

Despite the measures indicated above, Covid cases within the school continue to rise within a 10 day period with multiple classes and staff affected, suggesting that Covid is spreading widely throughout the school.

- Incident Management meeting held between the school and Barnet Public Health to agree further measures, <u>for a further 10 school</u> <u>days</u>, This could include:
  - Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.
  - Postponing all non-essential events activities.
  - Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days is considered, as outlined here.

The school will inform parents of any changes to Covid measures should these be needed.