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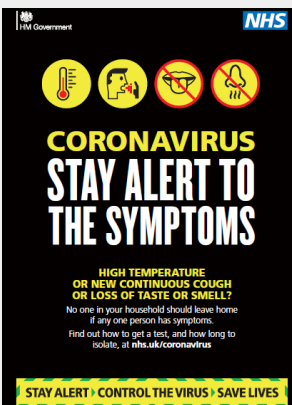
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Music Mark Award for Woodcroft



MUSIC MARK MUSIC MARK SCHOOL
Great News! Woodcroft has been awarded the prestigious Music Mark School status for 2021-22! In the nomination letter it stated, *“We have recognised your commitment to a broad and balanced curriculum and the value that you place on music.”*

This is recognition for our school valuing the Arts and maintaining our outstanding provision, even through the COVID19 disruption! At Woodcroft we continue to run the Arts Council’s Bronze Arts Award, a full music tuition programme and whole class instrumental lessons. This is all in addition to a fully timetabled music curriculum entitlement.

COVID Update

We ask that parents continue to be vigilant to the symptoms of COVID19. We have had 2 cases in school and, to keep everyone safe, asked individuals to self-isolate in accordance with our protocols.

Please read our updated **COVID Contingency Plan** here ...

<https://bit.ly/3IVDml>

Pupil Premium Funding: Do you qualify?



School budgets have been significantly cut in recent years. Did you know that we are also partly funded through the Government's Pupil Premium Grant. Schools receive an extra **£1345** for every pupil who is eligible so it is vital that the school knows who qualifies.

We cannot claim this extra funding unless we register all eligible families. Unfortunately, we are NOT told who qualifies – we rely on parents informing the school.

You are eligible for Pupil Premium if you receive any of the following:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

In these times of drastic cuts to school budgets it is essential that Woodcroft receives the maximum funding. Please speak with our Office staff if you think you may qualify.



Time Tables Rock Stars



All pupils in Years 2 to 6 brought home login details for this excellent Maths website. You will also find a small reminder sticker added to their home link books. The letter gave details of how to support your child in learning their times tables, so that they can improve their speed and confidence in Maths.

Daily Practice: We encourage pupils to practice at home every day - please support your child by encouraging them to do this. Why not set aside time each day for them to log on for 10 minutes at home? ***Automatic recall of times tables is essential for general maths learning!***

ONLINE PARENT EVENINGS FOR PUPILS IN YEARS 1 TO 6

Dear Parents/Carers

We are holding parent consultation evenings for Parents and Carers on **Tuesday 5th October** and **Thursday 7th October 2021**. This will be an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress with the classteacher.



This term we are continuing with our '**ONLINE**' arrangements. All consultations will again be via a video call with your child's class teacher using a **Google Meet** link. You may need to download the Google Meet software to your device (phone, tablet or laptop) so it is advisable to check the link works before the meeting.

How to book an appointment:

1. Click this link (or the same one sent via texts) that directs you to an online Google Form <https://forms.gle/FWBk3tx7GUbTAYEK8>
2. Please complete and return your form, via the submit button, to your child's class teacher by 3.30pm on Monday 4th October 2021.
3. The class teacher will schedule your 10 minute appointment and send you an email notification.
4. At the allotted time on the night click the link and join the meeting with your child's teacher.



Please note, timings will be strictly adhered to. If you are not available at your allotted appointment time then the class teacher will not be able to discuss your child with you.

You will also be asked to indicate if you have other children at Woodcroft Primary School so that we can coordinate your appointments.

We look forward to seeing you online.

Yours sincerely

Craig Tallon

(HEADTEACHER)



Have You Registered Your Child?

Nasal Flu Vaccinations For Woodcroft Pupils

The nasal flu vaccination date for Woodcroft is Monday **11th October 2021**. This is for every primary school aged child 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 and 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:

1. 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): <https://clchschoollimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>
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!

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

'Poem Of The Week' a report by Maheen and Jessica 5R

Mr Tallon has begun to read out a poem of the week in assembly. He then sets a poetry challenge. On Monday 13th September he said that two people from Year 5 and 6 could read out a poem called 'Smile' by Jes Albourough. The next Monday it was our turn to read. We agreed to go for it! We felt very scared and nervous to read the poem. Mr Tallon told us to come up, then Maheen started reading out the poem to the assembly. Jessica's heart was beating so much! At the end of reading the poem, we were so happy with ourselves. It was a success! Read the poem for yourself here: <https://bit.ly/3ooggOi>



Diary Dates

- **October is Black History Month**
- **Parent Consultation Evenings - 5th & 7th October**
- **Flu Vaccinations - 11th October**
- **Harvest Basket Assemblies - 14th October**
- **Year 6 RAF Museum Visit on 19th October**
- **International Colours Day - 22nd October**
- **Half Term Break - 25th to 29th October**



The Woodcroft Attendance Ladder

Check your child's current attendance on the Arbor Portal



Equates to:





ACORNS CLUB

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

ACORNS IS CURRENTLY RUNNING A MODIFIED SERVICE

For pupils from Year R to Year 6

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

We are now offering places in our after school club for Woodcroft pupils. Parents are able to register their child, and then book them into the club for either one hour at a cost of £5.00 per child, or two hours at a cost of £8.00 per child.

A snack and soft drink will be included in the price. Note: the school does not make a profit from Acorns.

To ensure better social distancing we have moved the club away from the Oak Suite and into the dining room area. They will have access to the playgrounds and other spaces on certain evenings.

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.

If you are interested in your child attending Acorns After School Club they will need to be added to this term's register. To do this, please contact the school by telephone, or e-mail. If you have any questions then call the office and ask to speak with Mrs Hurley or Mrs Clark, our Acorns Co-ordinators, and we will gladly give you any further information you require.

As before, your child will be collected from class at the end of the day by one of our Acorns staff. Children will still get involved in a variety of activities, including sports, art and crafts and games. Your child will learn new skills whilst enjoying themselves, in a safe and secure environment.

What next:

1. If you are interested in your child attending Acorns After-School Club please register by calling the school office and speaking with **Mrs Hurley or Mrs Clark**, your Acorns Co-ordinators.
2. Once registered you will be able to book sessions in advance.
3. The charges are as follows:
3:30 – 4:30pm = £5.00 (1 hour until 4.30pm)
3:30 – 5:30pm = £8.00 (Full session until 5.30pm)
4. If you arrive after the allocated time you will be charged a £2.00 late collection fee.
5. Refreshments are included in the price.
6. **Collection is now via the Back Gate in Wolsey Grove (Not the main entrance)**

Acorns After-School Club is run at Woodcroft, by Woodcroft, for Woodcroft

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Applications



Year 6 families are now completing their applications to transfer to secondary school next year in September 2021.

If any parent requires help with the application process please contact the school office to make an appointment to speak with Mr Tallon. This is best done over the next week or so in good time ahead of the October 31st deadline.

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



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 5th October at 4.00pm via Zoom meeting.

Saracens Zoom Meeting Woodcroft : Tue 5 Oct 2021 4:00pm

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72156002790?pwd=NfK2aGlxUzM3QTh4ZXBEZVdaajQxUT09>



Meeting ID: **721 5600 2790**

Passcode: **eAmN3H**



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- A remarkable alumni where former students have achieved success in all walks of life – as professors, business leaders, actors, broadcasters, authors and professional football players

ON YOUR DOORSTEP AND READY TO WELCOME YOU
Turn over to find out more about our upcoming event and how to book a personal tour

Based on the latest DfE published data 2019

CURRICULUM SHOWCASE - *Tuesday 12th October 2021, 5.00pm-6.00pm*
(Taster lessons for pupils in Years 4/5/6. Bring your family and friends with appropriate aged children)

PERSONAL TOURS

To book your place at our upcoming events or tour of the school, please email schooladmin@bishopdouglass.barnet.sch.uk or call 0208 4445211.

"Bishop Douglass has a fantastic reputation as a school that supports students to maximise their full potential both in and outside the classroom. The vision of the school is clearly in-built in everyone of its members and I feel that my child will flourish in this school with the strong embedded values." Parent

"I have really enjoyed my experiences both in and outside of the classroom since joining Bishop Douglass. I feel that I have been challenged in my learning and have been given the opportunity to develop as a person" Student

"The leadership and management of the school are outstanding." Ofsted



We welcome students of all faiths and none.

