



Together Towards Success  
With our AIM Values



## Diary Dates

### Flu Vaccinations

Monday 10th October  
R to Y6  
Booking Required

### Harvest

Thursday 13th  
Harvest Basket and  
Coin Assembly  
(Food Donations from  
Monday 10th)

### International Colours Day

Monday 17th October  
Wear International  
dress or the colours of  
your home flag

### Year 1

#### 'Vision and Hearing'

Vital checks taking  
place in your child's  
year group. Nurses will  
now be visiting  
Woodcroft on the 13th  
and 14th

## Twitter

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[@WPS\\_Success](https://twitter.com/WPS_Success)

## PSHE Theme

The Woodcroft Time  
Capsule



# Harvest

## HARVEST COLLECTION 2022



We shall be making our annual Harvest collection next week when we ask families to make a donation of food and coins to support those in need within our local community. The children will be celebrating with a Harvest Assembly on **Thursday 13th October**.

### Class Hampers

Each class will be **collecting food** to make a **class hamper**. Children are asked to bring in **canned or dried food** that they will put into their special class hamper. This will then be decorated in the classroom and displayed in Thursday's assembly. The **Harvest display** will be open for viewing in the Main Hall from 3.15pm

### Fill the 'Harvest Basket' Coin Collection

We shall also be collecting coins again this year. This year we are again aiming to **'fill the harvest basket'** with loose change. Children will get



the opportunity to drop their coins in a special harvest basket as they enter assembly. Let's try and fill it to the top!



**FOOD BANK AID**  
North London

The proceeds from our food and coin collections will be supporting the local charity **Food Bank Aid (North London)**.

**\*\*Please bring in canned or dried food from Monday 10th October 2022 and your coins on Thursday 13th October \*\***

## Woodcroft Time Capsule



**2012**



In 2012 we built the Butterfly Garden in the KS2 playground. It was in memory of a Woodcroft teacher, Julie Thomas, who died suddenly on holiday during that summer. We also buried a time capsule filled with items and work from each class of that year. Pupils at the time decided it should remain buried for 10 years.

It is now time to open the capsule! We have had to delay this event twice, first due to the 40C temperatures that we experienced before the summer, and again earlier this term because of the death of Queen Elizabeth II.

In assembly, pupils have learned about the history behind the time capsule and watched a video of its excavation. On Monday, the capsule will finally be opened - we are all excited to see what has survived inside!



**2022**

## Year 1 Message about vision and hearing checks

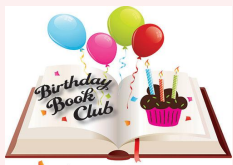
Dear Year 1 Parents and Carers

We have been notified by the NHS that they have now rescheduled the 'Vision and Hearing Screening' for your child's year group. Nurses will now be visiting Woodcroft on the 13th and 14th October 2022

It is vital that your child takes part in this important health check. However, you will need to register on the screening portal via this link first.

<https://app.schoolscreener.com/Portal/#/Solutions4Health/p/bh105/134677>

## The Birthday Book Club

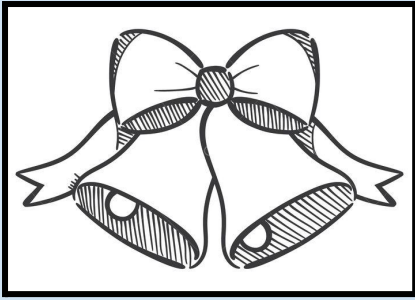


*We are always really happy to hear about pupils who have enjoyed recent birthdays. We celebrate this in our weekly news by asking children to donate a book for their Class Library. We think this is much better than bringing in sweets or cakes!*



**This week we would like to wish a Happy Birthday to...**

**Maheen (Y6) age 11**



# *Congratulations!* *to* *Ms Mercer*



*There were wedding bells on the Woodcroft staff again.  
This week we congratulated Ms Mercer!*

*I am sure you will join us all in wishing the happy couple  
all the best for the future.*

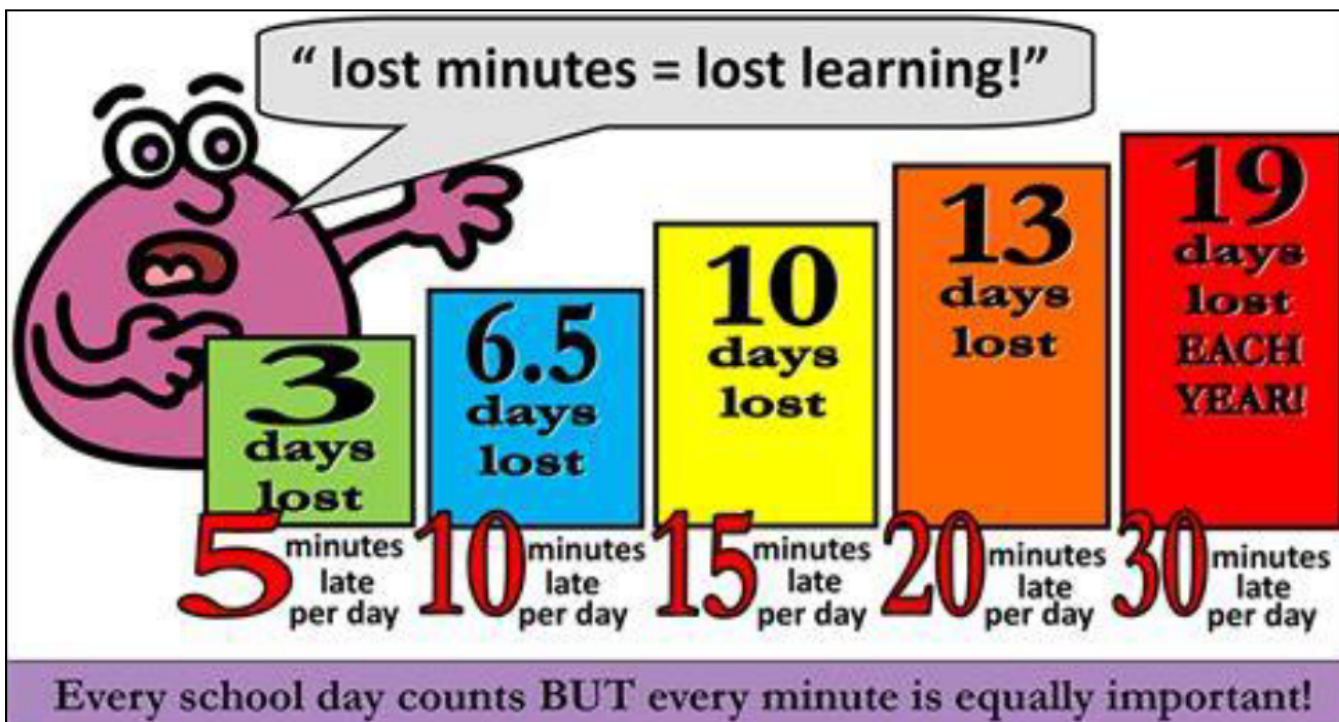
## **Punctuality is important!**

Punctuality for school is essential! If a child arrives late it not only disrupts their learning, but also that of the whole class. Lessons start promptly at 9.00am, and if a child misses the introduction to a session it can have an impact for the whole lesson.

Can we remind all parents that **school opens at 8.30am\***

(\*8.00am for Breakfast Club)

Children are able to go directly to class at 8.30am where class teachers are waiting to receive them. Teachers then take the register at 8.55am and we then aim to make a prompt start to learning by 9.00am. We do understand that there will be rare occasions when children are late to school due to unforeseen circumstances. But lost minutes can equal lost learning. Just 5 minutes per day can add up to missing the equivalent of 3 days of school each year!



**Half Term Break 24th to 29th October - School Closed**



# ACORNS CLUB

Open every evening during term time from 3:15pm - 5.45 pm

For pupils from Year R\* to Year 6

| Arts & Crafts | Chromebooks | Homework | Games |

*\*Reception pupils are only accepted once they are settled in to school*

## After School Care Provision at Woodcroft

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 a ½ session at a cost £6.00 per child, or a full session at a cost of £9.00 per child.

A snack will be included in the price. Please note, the school does not make a profit from Acorns.

Collection is from the main entrance of the school at the two specified times of 4:30pm and 5:45pm.

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, your Acorns Co-ordinator, and we will gladly give you any further information required.

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**, your Acorns Co-ordinator.
2. Once registered you will be able to book sessions in advance.
3. The charges are as follows:  
**3:15 – 4:30pm = £6.00 ½ Session (1 hour 15 min) until 4.30pm**  
**3:15 – 5:45pm = £9.00 Full session (2 ½ Hours) until 5.45pm**
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.

***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 2023. Copies of key documents can be found on the school website:

<https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/secondary-transfer-2023/>

Mr Tallon will also be holding confidential drop-in sessions for parents who need to discuss their application or require help with the online process. No appointment is required, please come to the main entrance at any of the time below.

➤ Monday 10th October 8.45am to 9.45am

➤ Tuesday 11th October 8.45am to 9.45am

Remember, the **deadline for applications is October 31st 2022.**

## Safe Driving and Parking Around School



We continue to receive complaints from both neighbours and parents about inconsiderate drivers who park on pavements, across driveways and in other potentially dangerous places. Please think about others when you are dropping children off at school.

Consider these do's and don'ts...

### Do

- Do park a short distance away from the school and walk the rest of the way. This is both safer and healthier for you and your child
- Do park safely and walk your child through the school gates

### Don't

- Don't park across driveways
- Don't mount the curb and park on pavements - think about younger children and buggies
- Don't park across junctions and on street corners
- Don't stop on the yellow zig-zag lines in Goldbeaters Grove to let children out at the front of school or reverse into people's drives
- Don't use the car park driveway in Wolsey Grove at the back of school

We have had a number of near miss incidents caused by cars. There was also a recent accident involving a child at a nearby school who was seriously injured when a car mounted the pavement.

***Let's all Think Road Safety! Show you care park elsewhere!***