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Dance Success for Woodcroft





Woodcroft's Dance Team are through to the national finals of The Great Big Dance Off. They took to the stage in the last week of term to compete in the regional heats of this prestigious national primary school dance competition. Their performance was outstanding, in what was a tightly contested

event, and secured a top three place. To be national finalists again is a fantastic achievement for our dancers.







Be Punctual - Be On Time For Success

It is so important for children to be in school and at their desks ready for the start of the first lesson. **Registration is 8.45am**. If your child arrives late:

- The whole class is disturbed
- Vital explanations are missed at the start of lessons
- Office staff are repeatedly taken away from their duties

April EASTER BREAK 3rd April to 17th April

Pupils return to school on Tuesday 18th April

NEU Summer Strike Day Thursday 27th April Possible School Closure

May 1st May Bank Holiday Schools Closed

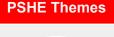
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Coronation Celebration Friday 5th May Non-Uniform Day

Coronation Weekend 6th to 8th May Bank Holiday 8th May School Closed

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Controlled Car Parking Zone (CPZ)

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Burnt Oak North (consultation	BON) Experimental CPZ		Timeline	the	

We have been notified by Barnet Council that they are proposing to proceed with the implementation of the controlled parking zone that includes the streets around Woodcroft. The zone is scheduled to come into operation on 22nd May 2023.

This will mean that between the hours of 8.00am and 6.30pm parking restrictions will be in place in the streets around school.

A group of 5 schools within the affected area, including Woodcroft, have opposed the introduction of the zone in its current format. We have written joint letters, signed by the 5 headteachers, and had several meetings to petition the council to consider the impact on schools and its families. The council has informed us that the scheme will now proceed from May 22nd. We are working with the council officers to identify solutions to the needs of schools within the affected CPZ area.

You can find out more about the CPZ scheme here:

https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/burnt-oak-north-bon-experimental-cpz

If you have any questions please direct them to:

- email: <u>barnetparking@projectcentre.co.uk</u>
- phone: 020 8359 3555
- write: The Parking Design Team, 7th Floor. 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW

Online Petition

The consortium of schools opposing the CPZ would like to draw your attention to an online petition. If you want to consider signing the petition please click here:

https://chng.it/bNNnpsD4M9

If 500 signatures are reached then the council will debate officially by a relevant committee. However, if 3000 are reached then it will be debated in a full council hearing. The next committee is scheduled for 23rd May.

Passport and Visa Applications Request identification verifications by Friday 5th May



Passport office workers are now on strike for five weeks. This is going to delay renewal time. The government guidance is to allow up to 10 weeks to get a passport renewed.

Parents often ask school staff to verify their identity and counter sign applications. This can be a time consuming activity that we provide for free, and we are then often separately contacted by the Passport Office to provide additional checks at various points during the application process.

Because of the strike, and subsequent delays in processing passports and visas, we shall not accept any requests after the 5th May. This allows 10 weeks before the end of term for applications to be processed when the school might be contacted. **Please do not ask staff after Friday 5th of May to help with your application as you will be politely declined.**

NOTICE: School Strike Action



The next NEU has voted to hold two more strike days: **Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May 2023**. We predict, based on previous risk assessments, that Woodcroft will be fully closed for two days

As with previous strike days, our dining room will remain OPEN between 12.00pm and 1.00pm and will be offering **FREE lunch** for all of the family.

Mapac Uniform - Online Shop Now Open



Mapac, our new supplier, has now launched the Woodcroft uniform shop Check out the dedicated Mapac webpage here:

http://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/woodcroftprimaryha80qf

The company offers a full range of school clothing and accessories all at competitive prices. Orders can be placed online and delivered free of charge to school. Alternatively, you can select express home delivery.

Take a look at the Mapac welcome letter distributed with this newsletter for more information.



The Birthday Book Club

We are always happy to hear about pupils who have enjoyed recent birthdays and celebrate by donating a book for their Class Library. The following pupils celebrated before Easter.



Happy Birthday to ...

Savannah (Nursery) age 4, Daria (Y3) age 8, Sarah (Reception) age 5, Rania (Y3) age 8, Gabriella (Y5) age 10, Isabella (Y5) age 10

Nursery admissions open for September 2023

30 Hours FLEXIBLE provision is available at Woodcroft Nursery

Now is the time to reserve your place in our Nursery ready for this September. Contact the school office to discuss enrolling your child on our register. Children born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 are eligible for a Nursery place at Woodcroft starting in September 2023.

Contact our school office to reserve your place



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.**



Summer Term Diary 2023

The summer term is always busy. We aim to give parents as much notice as possible regarding school events and dates. Always make sure you read Woodcroft Weekly to get all of the latest news and updates.

<u>April</u>

18/4 Pupils Return to school

21/4 Ramadan ends - Eid-al-Fitr starts on Saturday 22 April or Sunday 23 April

24/4 St George's Day

27/4 NEU Summer Strike Day #1

The National Teachers Union is planning two further teacher strike days this term. This is likely to cause the closure of Woodcroft Primary. Further information will be provided in due course, however it would be prudent to begin to make plans for alternative childcare on those days.

Strike Day #1 Thursday 27th April Strike Day #2 Tuesday 2nd May

28/4 Woodcroft Dance Team participate in the UDOiT Dance Competition

<u>May</u>

Bank Holiday School Closed - Monday 1st May Day Bank Holiday

2/5 NEU Summer Strike Day #2

5/5 Coronation Celebration Day on Friday 5th May

- Wear Red, White and Blue Non uniform day
- Coronation Tea Party menu at Lunchtime
- Class coronation activities
- Each child to receive a commemorative coronation coin with a purple velvet pouch

Coronation Weekend between Saturday 6th and Monday 8th May 2023

- 8/5 School Closed Extra Bank Holiday for the Coronation of King Charles III
- 9/5 12/5 KS2 SATS Week
- 17/5 Year 6 Bushcraft Meeting Main Hall 5.00pm
- 18/5 Secondary Transfer Information Evening for Year 5 Families 5.30pm

19/5 New to Nursery Meeting Main Hall 9.15am

23/5 Year3 Visit to Natural History Museum

Half Term School Closed 30/5 to 3/6



<u>June</u>

Pupils Return after half term on Monday 5th June

w/b 5/6 (to 16/6) Year 4 Nation Multiplication Check (2 week window)

7/622 to 9/6/22 Bushcraft Y6 Residential Trip

w/b 12/6 Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

w/b 12/6 Reception Visits for new families

13/6 Y6 Junior Citizen - 9:00 departure (Walking) for 10:00 -12:00 workshop

14/6 Year 5/6 Choir Perform at Barnet Schools Music Festival @Finchley Arts Depot

21/6 New to Reception Class meeting 9.15am Main Hall

<u>July</u>

3/7 Pupil Annual Reports Distributed

3/7 Nursery Sports Day (at school)

Sports Day at Burnt Oak Leisure Centre4/7 AM9.30 - 11.30 KS2 Sports Day (at BOLC)4/7 PM1.30 - 2.30 KS1 and Reception Sports Day

6/7 Year 6 Secondary Transition Visits (not all schools)6/7 Meet the Teacher Day 9.00 - 10.006/7 Parents Evening 4.00pm - 7.00pm

19/7 Nursery Final Day 20/7 Last Day of Term (2.15pm Finish)

September 2023

Pupils return to school: Wednesday 6th September 2023

Note:

More dates, and event details, will be added in due course. Some dates might be subject to change.

Mapac Vour Official School Uniform Supplier

WELCOME TO MAPAC

We are delighted to be working with your school who have entrusted us with providing your children's school uniform.

1. HOW TO REGISTER & ORDER

- CLICK THE UNIFORM LINK FROM YOUR SCHOOLS WEBSITE ... or ...

- Visit **www.mapac.com/education/parents** or search online for **'Mapac find your school'.**

Use the 'LOGIN/REGISTER' tab at the top of the page and fill in your details (even if you don't need to order straight away, it means you'll start receiving Mapac updates and offers!)
Once on your dedicated school page, simply add everything you need to your basket, register (if you haven't already) and then check out.

2. ORDERING GUIDE

Under normal circumstances we aim for all orders to be sent out within 10-15 working days. During our busier periods (especially over the summer) or if anything unexpected occurs, it can take longer, so please allow us some extra time to get your order to you.

Delivery to your home / work year round!

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FREE delivery to your school

(This service will not operate during any school holiday this includes the 6 week summer holiday)

IMPORTANT SUMMER ORDERING INFORMATION

Please order early over the summer as we receive a high quantity of orders over this time.

We do everything we can to send out all items as soon as possible but a high volume of orders or unforeseen circumstances may occasionally lead to delays.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to call or email us. We are happy to help!

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