WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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Together Towards Success
*With our **AIM Values***

Diary Dates

Reminder
Pupils return to school on WEDNESDAY 6th SEPTEMBER 2023

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PSHE Themes

We are thinking about our Woodcroft value …

Teamwork

GOLD Award for Woodcroft

We are delighted to announce that Woodcroft has achieved the School Games **GOLD** Mark Award for the 2022/23 academic year. The School Games Mark is facilitated by Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community.

We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers and adults that made our competitions possible.

Mr Taylor, PE and Sports Lead Teacher for Woodcroft, thanked those who have joined in and helped over the year and looks forward to developing school sport in the coming year!

MAYOR OF LONDON

Mayor of London's offer of free school meals for KS2 pupils



You may have read in the media that from September 2023 all primary school children (Reception to Year 6) who attend state schools in London will receive free school meals for the full academic year. This means that there will not be any charge for school meals for any pupil.

We do however need to know how many children will be taking a school meal and how many parents will still be providing a packed lunch. We have asked parents to complete an online form indicating their choice to ensure we have the correct number of meals prepared in the autumn term.

If you haven't submitted your choice please complete the School Meal Choice Form via this link … https://forms.gle/t2RmaoLa1rxqhYPB8

You can read a letter from the Mayor of London here: https://bit.ly/46luL3b

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Leavers 2023

Year 6 has had quite a week! A leavers show, disco, water fight and SATs Results!

Monday: Leavers Show

What a show Year 6 put on a triumphant leavers' production to a packed house of friends and family! Amazing memories.





Tuesday: KS2 SATs Results Announcement

Congratulations for another successful year of SATs. Woodcroft's combined results have finished well above national levels again! Well done to all of the pupils and staff! (* results adjusted for eligible pupils)

Subject	Woodcroft*	National
Reading	68%	73%
Writing	80%	71%
Maths	84%	73%

Wednesday: Disco Time

A leavers disco and photo booth with a special 'Class of 2023' arch courtesy of our friends at https://www.puffpuffballoons.com/





Water Fight Time

After school, Year 6 stayed back to battle it out in our annual water fight!





Farewell Year 6, we wish you all success as you leave Woodcroft!

Woodcroft Festival of Dance

To celebrate another strong year of dance Miss Williams, our resident choreographer, hosted a Woodcroft Festival of Dance on Monday. Featuring performances by our Dance Team, Cheerleaders and WOW Factor finalists, the event demonstrated the depth of talent at school.













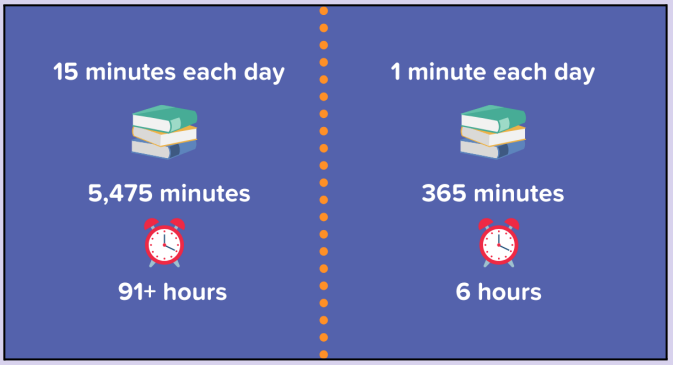
Notice: Class photos have been taken and will be emailed to parents next week.



Have you signed up for the Barnet Libraries Summer Reading Challenge - **'Ready, Set, Read!'** This year, they are celebrating sport, play, and physical activity through reading. We would like Woodcroft pupils to sign up for the challenge at your local library. We will then celebrate your child's reading success in September.

The Benefits of Reading Aloud Together at Home

We understand the challenges! We are all busy and finding the time to fit everything into our family schedule is difficult, to say the least. However, we think it is so important to find the time for 15 minutes of reading a day. This is necessary to prepare your child for the future - whatever their age (Nursery to Year 6)! That's because reading aloud improves accuracy and fluency - something independent silent reading cannot do.



15 minutes a day makes all the difference, with either the adult or the child reading the book; or even better, taking turns! 15 minutes daily reading = 5,475 minutes (or 91 hours) of practice every year!!!

Why read aloud? Research shows that reading aloud with your child is **<u>the</u>** number one thing you can do to help prepare them for future success. In fact at Woodcroft we could say, ***read aloud together for success*** - now where have we heard that before?



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.

Happy Birthday to … George (Year 2) age 7, Sophia (Year 4) age 9 and Yassin (Nursery) age 4, Emelia (Year 3) age 8

Woodcroft Primary School
School Term and Holiday Dates - 2023/24

AUTUMN TERM #1

Teacher training days - Monday 4 and Tuesday 5 September

Pupils return to school - Wednesday 6 September

School holiday Monday 23 October - Friday 27 October

AUTUMN TERM #2

Pupils return to school - Monday 30 October

Final day of term - Thursday 21 December

School holiday Friday 22 December – Friday 5 January

SPRING TERM #1

Teacher training days - Monday 8 January

Pupils return to school - Wednesday Tuesday 9 January

School holiday Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February

SPRING TERM #2

Pupils return to school - Monday 19 February

Final day of term - Thursday 28 March

School holiday Friday 29 March - Friday 12 April (Easter weekend 29 March - 1 April)

SUMMER TERM #1

Teacher training days - Monday 15 April

Pupils return to school - Tuesday 16 April

School Closed - Monday 6 May (May Day Bank Holiday)

School holiday Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May
(Spring Bank Holiday will be taken on 27 May)

SUMMER TERM #2

Pupils return to school - Monday 3 June

Final day of term - Tuesday 23 July

Teacher Training Days - Wednesday 24 July