WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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

Diary Dates

Anti Bullying week
13th - 17th November

Odd Sock Day
13th November

Primary Maths Challenge
13th – 17th November 2023

London Rocks TTRS Times tables Comp
14th - 16th

Children in Need Pudsey Power Hero Day
17th November

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PSHE Themes

We have been thinking about Diwali



And Remembrance Day





Be Punctual For School

Reminder: School Registration Time is 8.45am

We are seeing a number of pupils arrive after 8.45am. This is disruptive to both themselves and the rest of the class. For lessons to start promptly children need to be in school and on time!

ALL children must be in school for registration by 8.45am.

Doors and gates open from 8.30am for children to enter class, but pupils who arrive after 8.45am will be issued with a late mark.

Lots to remember next week …



Monday: Odd Sock Day starts Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday: England Rocks TTRS Competition starts
Wednesday : Primary Maths Challenge
Friday: Children in Need Day - Pudsey Power!

Odd Socks Day - Monday 13th November



We are encouraging pupils to wear their brightest, craziest and most colourful socks on Monday because it is 'Odd Socks Day'! Oh, and don't forget to wear a different sock on each foot!

England Rocks - Times Tables Rock Stars from Tuesday 14th





Classes will be competing against each other for the bragging rights to be at the top of the leaderboard in this term's national tournament. Each pupil gets one hour to complete as many questions as possible - so get practising over the weekend to increase your speed!

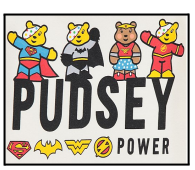
Primary Maths Challenge - Wednesday 15th November



Miss Maynard will be organising a group of Woodcroft's top mathematicians to take part in the #primarymathschallenge competition run by The Mathematical Association of England. The Primary Mathematics Challenge is a competition designed to test problem solving and reasoning skills.

Children in Need - Friday 17th November





Friday is a non uniform day. Children can dress up as their favourite hero or inspirational person. You could be a superhero, pop star, TV character or sports person - it's up to you! Alternatively, pupils may want to wear their yellow Pudsey merchandise instead. We are NOT collecting money in school, but we encourage families to donate online as part of the national BBC TV campaign.

A Wonderful Year 1 Choir Performance to Families

Year 1 were taking part in the Barnet Infant Music Festival today, but yesterday they performed a repertoire of songs to their families as part of a final rehearsal. They all performed with amazing confidence to a packed audience. Well done to the Year 1 pupils and staff for such an accomplished show.





Cookery Demonstration at The Grahame Park Community Centre

Today was a very exciting day for me because I represented Woodcroft in a cookery demonstration at the Grahame Park Community Centre. The demonstration was arranged by the BreadnButter company who want people to cook together in our community. I was able to choose any dessert that I wanted to make so I decided to make Romanian Butter Cookies.

I practised a lot at home with my mum using a family recipe and I felt quite confident when we arrived at the Community Centre. Almost straight away I got out all of my ingredients and started to make my cookies. It was a good, fun experience and the cookies tasted delicious! A professional photographer took lots of photos which was very exciting and then I found out that a picture of my cookies is going to be featured in a cookery book about foods from other countries.

I enjoyed this experience very much and I hope that lots of adults were able to taste and enjoy my Romanian Butter Cookies!

Report by David Longier 6G







Thank you to Erica Rodriguez for the photographs.

Information for Nursery Parents
Applications for Reception Class starting September 2024



Starting 'full time' school is an exciting time for both parents and children. Parents of Nursery age children should now be thinking about applying for your child's Reception class place for next September. Generally, these will be children born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020.

Online applications are now open and all pupils need to apply by Wednesday 15th January 2024. Please remember that attendance at our Nursery is not a guarantee of a place in Woodcroft's Reception classes. For more information visit:

https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/reception-class-admissions/

Applications can be started at https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/

Anti-Bullying Week 2023



Anti-Bullying Week 2023 is coordinated in England, Wales and Northern Ireland by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. This year it has the theme 'Make A Noise About Bullying' and will take place from Monday 13th to Friday 17th November.

Winter Coats



With the cost of living dramatically increasing we are aware that many families will struggle this winter.

At Woodcroft we teamed up with The Debra Reiss Foundation to help families in need of some assistance with the cost of living. They run a scheme to provide children with a FREE winter coat! Eligible families were given the opportunity to request a coat and on Tuesday representatives from the charity came and fitted out every child.

We still have a small number of coats available, so, if you would like to see if we have one in your child's size then please email the office clearly stating your child's name and class.



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 Ameera (5R) age 10 and Malak (5H) age 10

Year 6 trip to the R.A.F Hendon A report by Amina (Y6)

On October 31st 2023, the year six pupils from Woodcroft Primary School happily strolled to the R.A.F Hendon Museum, a distance of 1.2 miles! It was part of our history topic (WWII) to investigate more about the aircraft that were used and lives of important people from the period … continue reading the full report by clicking this link:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1JBGQVySddIlg5oQBF9DfU5LQS9K2tPZ7JR9slvE2h7w/edit?usp=sharing







Take a look at the new Winter edition of the BACE brochure. Here you can find family-friendly activities, advice, support and information about the BACE Holiday Camps available during the Festive Holidays! Eligible families in receipt of benefit-related free school meals (not Mayor's funded KS1 and KS2 meals programme) will be sent vouchers. Other families can still enquire about availability.

Find out more about BACE here: **https://barnetyouth.uk/BACE-Holidays**

Read the brochure here

https://cdn.realsmart.co.uk/25c98ca8121dcecef8a222e01ee12a53/uploads/2023/11/01105119/023875-BC4031-BACE-Winter-brochure-2023-DIGITAL.pdf



WASP SEN Group Coffee Morning
Woodcroft's Advice and Support for Parents

Wednesday, 22nd November 2023 at 9.00am

Ms Vanner and Mrs Smith are running this term's Coffee Morning for Parents with Children with Special Educational Needs on Wednesday, 22nd November 2023 at 9am. It will be a time to find out about the latest information to support you and your child and a chance to meet other parents.

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FAMILY LINKS

find out

how to get the best out of family life



We will be running an online Nurturing Programme for parents of autistic children, children with a learning disability, or ADHD

The first session will be held online at
10am-12 noon on Tuesday 16th January 2024

Sessions will take place every Tuesday for 10 weeks, finishing on Tuesday 26th March 2024

There will be no session on 13th February as it is half-term

This is a course for parents and there are limited spaces. For more information or to book your space now, please contact Project Support via **projectsupport@barnetmencap.org** or telephone **020 8349 3842**

Oct 2023

Barnet Children's Centre Autumn Timetables

You can download your a copy of the Autumn timetable for our local children's centre by clicking this link:
https://cdn.realsmart.co.uk/25c98ca8121dcecef8a222e01ee12a53/uploads/2023/11/02192555/West-Locality-Autumn-2023-Timetable.pdf

Children's Centres

West Locality

Monday 4th September 2023 – Thursday 21st December 2023
Please note: Separate Timetable for October Half Term 23.10.23 – 27.10.23

	Fairway A Sure Start Children's Centre	Silkstream A Sure Start Children's Centre	Wingfield A Sure Start Children's Centre
Monday	**Stay and Play** 9.30 - 11am, 0 – 5 years **Starts 11.09.23**	**Baby Group** 9.30 - 11am, 0 – 18 months **Stay and Play** 1 - 2.30pm, 0 - 5 years	**Stay and Play at OneStonegrove HA8 8BN** 9.30 – 11am, 0-5 years **Starts 04.09.23 – Ends 11.12.23** **Baby Group at OneStonegrove HA8 8BN** 11.30am – 12.30pm, 0-18 months **Starts 04.09.23 – Ends 11.12.23**
Tuesday	**Baby group** 10 – 11.30am, 0 – 18 months **Health Promotion Workshops,** Please turn over Managing Mealtimes, Healthy Eating **19.09.23** Sleep Management Routines **26.09.23** Introduction to Solids **03.10.23** Toilet training **10.10.23**	**Stay and Play,** 9.30 - 11am, 0 – 5 years	**Stay and Play at Orion School NW7 2AL** 9 – 10.30am, 18 months -5 years **Starts 05.09.23 – Ends 12.12.23** **Baby Group at Greentop NW9 5WR** 12.15 – 1.30pm, 0-12 months **Starts 05.09.23 – Ends 12.12.23**
Wednesday	**Stay and Play at Broadfields School HA8 8JP** 9.15 – 10.45am, 0 – 5 years, **Starts 27.09.23 – Ends 06.12.23** **Registered Childminders Group** 9.30 – 11am **Baby Self-Weighing** Booking Required	**Baby Group** 1 - 2.30pm, 0 – 18 months	**Stay and Play at Greentop NW9 5WR** 12.30 - 2pm, 0-5 years **Starts 06.09.23 – Ends 13.12.23**
Thursday	**Stay and Play** 9.30 - 11am, 0 – 5 years **Developmental Baby Massage** 1.30 – 2.30pm, 8 – 18 weeks, **2.11.23 – 30.11.23 (not 23.11.23)** Booking Required **Baby Self-Weighing** Booking Required	**Water Play Workshop, 07.09.23,** Please turn over **Early Physics Session, 28.09.23,** Please turn over **Stay and Play** 1 - 2.30pm, 0 – 5 years **Baby Self-Weighing** Booking Required	**No Sessions**
Friday	**Baby Group** 1.30 – 3pm, 0 – 18 months **Supporting Language through Play Workshop** 10 – 11.15am, 4 week block **03.11.23 – 24.11.23** Booking Required	**Stay and Play** 9.30 - 11am, 0 – 5 years **Baby Self-Weighing** Booking Required	**Smarter Eating Workshop at Silkstream,** **08.09.23 – 13.10.23 or 03.11.23 – 08.12.23** Booking Required, Please turn over

Weekend Specials
Stay and Play at Silkstream – Saturday 14th October 2023 – 9.30 – 11.30am
Stay and Play at Fairway – Sunday 10th December 2023 – 9.30 – 11.30am

Activities offered weekly unless stated

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Children's Centres

West Locality

Autumn Term
04.09.23 – 21.12.23

Fairway
A Sure Start Children's Centre

Fairway Children's Centre (based at Fairway School)
The Fairway, Mill Hill NW7 3HS
Tel: 020 8359 3730 • childrenscentre@fairwaycc.barnetmail.net

Silkstream
A Sure Start Children's Centre

Silkstream Children's Centre
Silkstream Road, Edgware HA8 0DA
Tel: 020 8905 7605 • SilkstreamCC@barnet.gov.uk

Wingfield
A Sure Start Children's Centre

Wingfield and Stonegrove Children's Centre
C/O Barnet and Southgate College, Colindale, 7 Bristol Avenue
(formerly Lanacre Avenue) London NW9 4BR
Tel: 020 8359 3510 • wingfield@barnet.gov.uk



ESOL – English Conversation for Beginners **–Silkstream:** Wednesdays 9.15 – 11.15am **/ Fairway:** Fridays 9.15 – 11.15am **Booking Required**

Health Promotion Workshops at Fairway 1.30 – 2.45pm **Booking Required** Managing Mealtimes, Healthy Eating (Suitable from 8 months plus) - 19.09.23 Sleep Management Routines (Suitable from 8 months plus) - 26.09.23 Introduction to Solids (Suitable from 5-6 months) - 03.10.23 Toilet Training (Suitable for 18 month plus) - 10.10.23
Smarter Eating Workshop at Silkstream, 08.09.23 – 13.10.23 or 03.11.23 – 08.12.23 , 12.30 – 2pm – a 6 week healthy food workshop to support families to understand and create healthier food options on a budget- **Booking Required**
Incredible Years at Greentops Centre – 14.09.23 – 30.11.23, 12.30 – 2pm - A 10 week parenting programme – **Booking Required**
Water Play Workshop at Silkstream, 07.09.23, 10 – 11am, 0 – 5 years – a fun outdoor workshop exploring water play and all its benefits for young children – **Booking required**
Early Physics Session at Silkstream, 28.09.23, 10.30 – 11.30am, 15 months – 5 Years– Play activities designed to introduce under-fives to basic physics - **Booking Required**
Supporting Language through Play Workshops at Fairway, 3.11.23 – 24.11.23, 10 – 11.15am, 2 – 4 year olds, Developing children's language skills lead by an Outreach Practitioner, **Booking Required**

For more information about Children's Centre visit:
www.barnet.gov.uk/childrenscentres

Find us on Facebook:
Barnet Childrens Centres – West locality

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BARNET LONDON BOROUGH