WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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

Diary Dates

Half Term 27/5 to 31/5
PUPILS RETURN
Monday 3rd June

5/6/24 to 7/6/24
Y6 Bushcraft Residential

w/b 10/6 Year 4
Multiplication Check

w/b 10/6 Year 1 Phonics Check

10/6 Year 6 African Drumming

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PSHE Theme

We are thinking about …

The Woodcroft Code

Safe - Respect - Learn

Oral Hygiene in the Early Years

Nursery and Reception have started learning about oral hygiene and have been brushing their teeth after lunch time.

They learned why we need to brush our teeth, which foods are healthy for our teeth and what eating too much sugar can do to your teeth.

They learned to:
- use toothpaste and toothbrush
- brush teeth twice a day (morning and night-time)
- brush teeth for 2 minutes
- use small, circular movements when cleaning our teeth.
- clean ALL our teeth including our gums and tongue.

We look forward to continuing our learning and practising every day at home too. We will also meet a dentist on 11th June when he visits Early Years to give us a talk all about oral hygiene.







Class List Considerations for September

Due to pupils moving on, and new children starting at Woodcroft, our classes can become imbalanced. As a result, we revise our class lists ready for September. If you would like us to consider a preference, such as a significant friend who your child would like to be placed with, please write to the Office by **Monday 10th June**. We **cannot** guarantee to accommodate all requests, but we endeavour to place children in a class group that is in their best 'educational' interests. However, this is not always with their 'best' friends.

Please do not assume a conversation with a teacher earlier in the year (or in previous years) will be taken into consideration at this point. If you would like to express a preference you must do so in writing now.

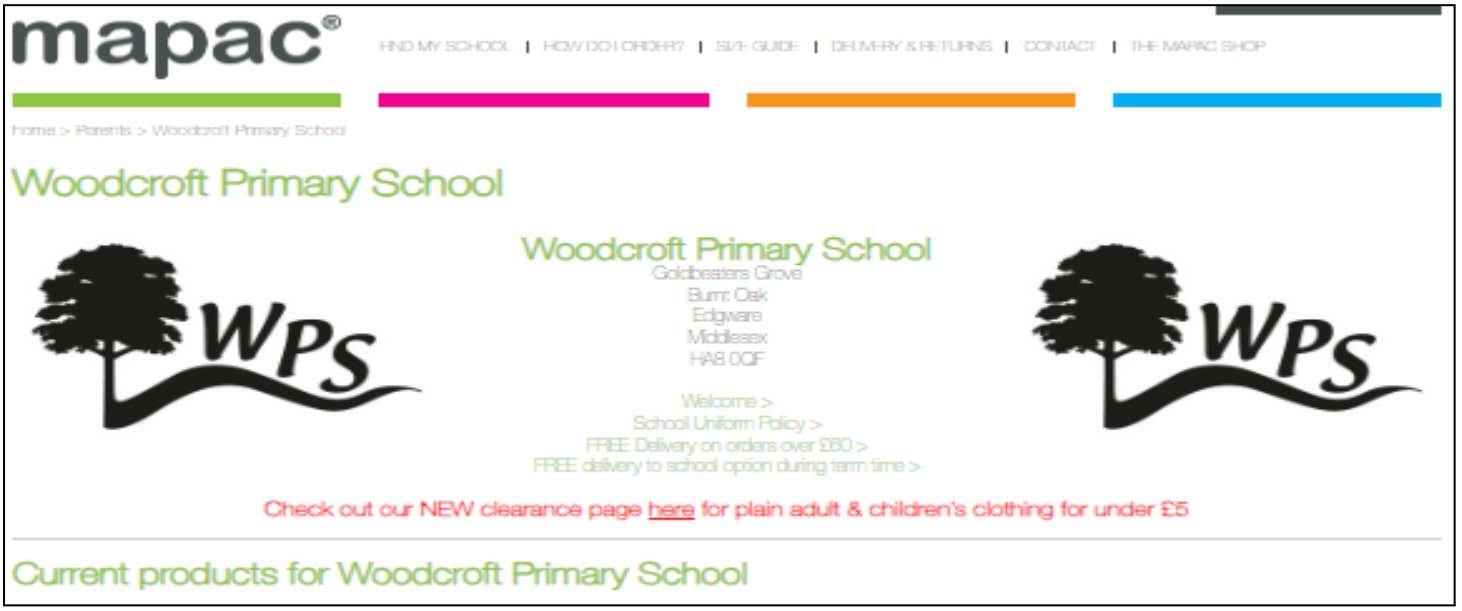
Please note, we will not be able to accommodate any requests after Monday 10th June. After this date, lists are drawn up and staff allocated. Making changes after this p

Summer Uniform

All children wear a uniform at Woodcroft Primary School. We believe that uniforms look smart, are practical and encourage a sense of belonging. Hopefully, as the weather improves in the second half of the term, there will be opportunities to wear Summer items. These include; **grey school shorts, plain white polo shirts or red and white check dresses.**

We strive to keep costs reasonable. You can either purchase items with the logo from our online supplier MAPAC or visit any store to buy plain items without the badge. Visit our MAPAC uniform page to view our full range:

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



Reminders:

- All head coverings; scarves, bands, ribbons, etc. should be in school colours – red, white, grey or black.
- Clothing with brand symbols or logos is not permitted.
- Hats and caps should be plain. Branded items are not permitted to be worn.
- Hair should be smart and able to be tied back if longer than shoulder length.
- Shaved hair designs e.g. hair or eyebrow carvings are not permitted in school.
- Earrings should be small stud earrings, no other jewellery (unless of religious significance with permission)
- We do not permit nail polish, false nails or make up.



Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception Classes)

Foundation stage uniform is as above, however plain grey jogging bottoms and training shoes can be worn. Uniform in Nursery is optional but recommended. A majority of parents choose to send their child to school in uniform.

PE & Sport Kit

Children wear their blue kit to school on the days that they have PE or sport on the timetable. This can also be purchased from MAPAC.

Relationship Lessons for Reception to Year 6

Last week we emailed parents and carers informing them that classes will be taking part in the Christopher Winter Relationship Project later this term. Unlike the National Curriculum, which is compulsory, we ask parents to consent to their child taking part in these important lessons.

We are asking parents to provide consent by completing this short online form by Monday 10th June

https://forms.gle/Ao7F8Us3xptg81Yx7

The Christopher Winter Project (CWP) is recommended by Barnet Local Authority, meets all government guidance, and has been quality assured by the PSHE Association.

The Government's Department for Education requires all primary schools to have a programme tailored to the age and maturity of their pupils. At primary level this should ensure pupils are prepared for the changes that will occur as they grow older, and build on knowledge of the human life cycle set out in the Science National Curriculum. We believe that the Christopher Winter Project materials enable us to do this.

At Woodcroft we make all of the resources available to parents and carers through a password protected website. Each year group has a separate page with the links to lesson plans and resources available for parental viewing. The pages will be available from **Friday 24th May until Monday 10th June 2024.**

Please check your email for the details to access the lesson materials for your child's class. If any parent has difficulty please inform the office. Should you wish to discuss this further please contact Mrs Valoti (Asst Head and PSHE Coordinator) via email at: jvaloti@woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk (clearly stating your child's name and class).

Please remember to complete the short online form by Monday 10th June. Thank you.

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Free SEND travel training workshop

Tuesday 6th August 2024

10.15am – 11.50am OR 12.15pm – 1.50pm

RAF Museum, Colindale

Parents and carers, we would love to welcome you and your child(ren) to our fun and friendly summer travel training session. Suitable for children and young people (Year 6 and above) with SEND or those who are particularly vulnerable or anxious whilst travelling on public transport. Top travel tips will be shared to help make travelling easier and safer.

Limited spaces available – book soon to avoid disappointment! Please contact road.safety@barnet.gov.uk for more information and a booking form.

Summer BACE Holidays 2024

Summer BACE 2024 will open for bookings on Monday 10 June 2024.

BACE Holiday Activities / Camps run throughout the Summer Holidays from: 29 July 2024 until 30 August 2024. Visit for more information **https://barnetyouth.uk/BACE-Holidays**

Who is eligible?
Children who are eligible for **benefit-related** Free School Meals can attend a maximum of 16 fully funded activities/days throughout the Summer Holidays**.**

If you are registered as eligible on the Woodcroft system then you will be automatically issued with a 16 digit BACE Holiday e-Voucher Code on Monday June 10th. If you do not receive your voucher, but believe that you are eligible, then visit the office or check your Arbor account to ensure we have you recorded correctly.

What is a BACE Holiday?

BACE Holidays is organised and run by Barnet Council and Young Barnet Foundation and fully funded by the Department for Education. BACE holidays support children and young people in Reception - Year 11 who receive benefit-related Free School Meals by providing a range of fun activities at a variety of venues across the borough.

Instrumental Tuition for Autumn Term 2024



Would your child like to learn a musical instrument?

We aim to offer children the opportunity to begin learning to play an instrument through the Barnet Education Arts Trust (BEAT), and our very own Mr Hughes, To express an interest in your child receiving the musical tuition please email our Office Administrator, Maria Savova, at **msavova@woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk** or call 02089593244 between 9.00am and 12.00pm.

We will then ask you to complete this online form: https://forms.gle/MgYsSJU2X4qECskJA

BEAT Music Tuition

Woodcroft currently offers the following tuition programmes:

Violin
Charge: £21 per 30 min or £10.50 per 15 minutes. Paired lessons may be available on request to reduce the cost by half.

Trumpet
Charge: £14 per 20 min lesson. Paired lessons may be available on request to reduce the cost by half.

Private Music Tuition

Guitar, Piano and Ukulele with Ross Hughes
Charge: £21 per lesson. Paired lessons: £10.50

Nursery Admissions Open

Woodcroft Nursery accepts applications for children that are aged 3 or 4 years old

Now is the time to reserve your place in our Nursery. We enrol children who turn three at the start of each term:

- For a **September** start date a child must turn 3 on or before 31st August.
- For a **January** start date a child must turn 3 between 1st September and 31st December.
- For an **April** start date a child must turn 3 on or before the 31st March

Children that are already aged 3 to 4 years old can be admitted at any time subject to places being available. Younger children should be placed on our waiting list as early as possible to guarantee a place.

*****Contact our school office to reserve your place or book a visit*****

Earliest 3 Year Old Admission Dates for the 2024 - 2025 Academic Year

September 2024 start is for children born on or before 31 August 2021
January 2025 start is for children born on or before 31 December 2021
April 2025 start is for children born on or before 31 March 2022

30 hours free childcare

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.**



WPS

Woodcroft Primary School Nursery

A warm welcome awaits you at Woodcroft

A safe, nurturing environment

An experienced team and excellent facilities

Childcare Choices

Up to 30 hours flexible provision available

Term time only

www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk

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Communication Friendly Settings - Early Years

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Summer Diary Dates

June

PUPILS RETURN Monday 3rd June

w/b 3/6 (to 14/6) Year 4 Multiplication Check
5/6/24 to 7/6/24 Bushcraft Y6 Residential
w/b 10/6 Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
10/6 Year 6 African Drumming
11/6 Dentists visiting EYFS
14/6 Y3 trip to Natural History Museum
17/6 School Choir attending Barnet Schools Music Festival @Finchley Arts Depot
18/6 - Year 6 - Junior Citizen (depart 9:15 - return 12:45pm) - walking
19/6 Great Big Dance Off National Final - Oxford Theatre
19/6 Y5 & Y6 C.S.I. Road Safety for Y5&6 Theatre
20/6 Choir Performance to Parents 2.30pm
21/6 New to Reception Class meeting (9.15am)

July

Sports Day - Olympics Theme
2/7 AM 9.30 - 11.30 KS2 Sports Day (at BOLC)
2/7 PM 1.30 - 2.30 KS1 and Early Years Sports Day

8/7 Y3 Ukulele Concert 11.00pm
8/7 Pupil Annual Reports Distributed
11/7 Strings Concert 2/30pm
11/7 Parents Evening 4.00-7.00pm (Thursday)
16/7 Y6 Leavers Show - Tuesday Matinee Performance 2.15pm
17/7 Y6 Leavers Show - Wednesday Evening Performance 5.30pm
23/7 Last Day of Term (2.15pm Finish)



The Birthday Book Club

We are always happy to hear about pupils who have enjoyed recent birthdays. You are able to celebrate by donating a book for their Class Library.



Congratulations and Happy Birthday to Caneil (RK) age 5, Amman (RR) age 5 and Josh (2B) age 7