



Together Towards Success  
With our AIM Values



## Diary Dates

### International Day

Monday 21st October

### Half Term Holiday

Monday 28th October  
to Friday 1st November

## Social Media



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**@WPS\_Success**



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**@woodcroft\_primary**

## PSHE Themes

We have been thinking  
about ...

## HARVEST FESTIVAL



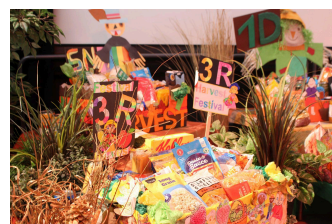
# Harvest

## HARVEST COLLECTION 2024



*Thank you* to our wonderful Woodcroft community for your generous Harvest Festival donations of food and money. Our class hamper display looked amazing! We also welcomed Mia Jenkins, from Food Bank Aid North London, to our harvest festival to talk about their vital work. She also judged our class hamper competition. Food Bank Aid will collect your food and coin donations to help their food banks that support 20,000 people every week across North London. If you want to contribute further please visit: <https://www.justgiving.com/foodbankaid>

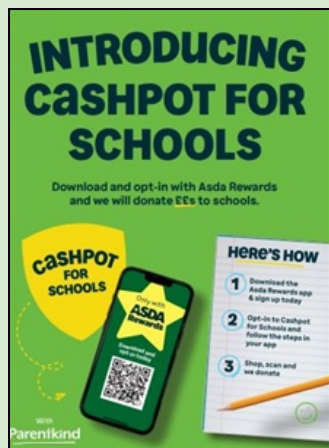
It was great to see so many families coming to see our display at the end of the day



## Woodcroft International Day on Monday 21st October



We are looking forward to our famous **International Day** on **Monday 21st October**. It is your child's opportunity to dress in their national costume or in the colours of a chosen flag to transform the school into a mass of colour that celebrates our amazing diversity.



## ASDA Cashpot

There are 43 days remaining to help us raise much needed funds for school.

**It's as easy as 123!**

- 1) Download the ASDA app
- 2) Nominate Woodcroft as your **CASHPOT** school (enter postcode **HA8 0QF**)
- 3) Spend as normal - it's that easy

**We currently have £154.41** in our pot at the time of writing. Please tell your friends and family to nominate Woodcroft.

## Mealtime Supervisor Vacancy

*We are looking for an enthusiastic person to join our Mealtime Supervisor Team. Experience of working with children in play settings is desirable, but a calm and positive manner is essential. For more information and application forms please visit our school website.*

<https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/mealtime-supervisor-vacancies/>

### MTS Post Details

- Part Time: term time only, 6 ¼ hours per week (with opportunities for additional hours)
- Basic salary: hourly rate £12.60 (£3,069 actual annual basic ) (Full Time Equivalent salary £18,045)
- Application forms, job descriptions and person specifications are available on the school website and should be returned to the school.

For more information visit:

<https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/mealtime-supervisor-vacancies/>

**Closing date for applications: Tuesday 5th November at 4.00pm**

**Interviews: week beginning 11th November**

**Earliest start date:** 2nd December 2024 (pending all checks complete)

Visits to the school are welcomed. For further details please contact the school office and ask to speak with Mr Russell (Deputy Headteacher)

## Year 6 Secondary Transfer Applications



**REMINDER:** The deadline for Year 6 secondary school applications is 31st October!



# Register Your Child?

## Nasal Flu Vaccinations For Woodcroft Pupils

The annual nasal flu vaccination date for Woodcroft is **Friday 8th November**. This is for every primary school aged child from Reception to Year 6. (Nursery aged children will receive this via their GP service)

The children's flu vaccine is a safe and effective nasal spray. (Note: The spray contains gelatine. A vegan version is available via injection and can be requested)

Children catch and spread the flu easily. Flu can be very unpleasant for children and can sometimes cause serious problems, such as pneumonia. Vaccinating children also helps protect others who are at higher risk of getting seriously ill from flu, such as babies and older people.

### What next:

1. Read the letter that was emailed to you from Barnet's Immunisation Team or visit this link [NHS Flu Information for Parents and Carers 2024](#)
2. Please give your **consent** by Tuesday 5th November using this link: <https://ncl.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2024/barnet>  
**Note:** the consent portal closes 48 hours prior to the visit.
3. If you want to read the NHS flu information leaflet click here: [Protecting Your Child](#)

**Note: No child will ever be administered medication at school without a parent's FULL consent.**

## Daily Reading At Home is Essential

### 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 **the** 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?



**Weekly  
Whole School  
Attendance  
94.0%**

### Weekly Attendance Awards

**Y1/Y2 Class of the week: 2B (94.2%)**

**Y3/Y4 Class of the week: 4T (98.2%) 🏆 TOP CLASS 🏆**

**Y5/Y6 Class of the week: 6C (97.3)**





# Information for Nursery Parents

## Applications for Reception Class starting September 2025

**REGISTER NOW!**

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 2020 and 31st August 2021.

Online applications are now open and all pupils need to apply by Wednesday 15th January 2025. 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/>

## Barnet Household Fund Voucher Scheme

*Autumn shopping vouchers worth £42.30 to spend at supermarkets*



Children eligible for pupil premium and benefit related free school meals will receive the Autumn voucher from the Barnet's Household Fund Voucher Scheme today.

Woodcroft has provided every eligible child with a **£42.30** shopping voucher to support families. This scheme allows Woodcroft to provide vouchers to families electronically, directly to your phone via email to spend on food at a range of shops including Sainsbury's, Tesco, Aldi, Asda, etc.

Eligible families, in receipt of certain benefits, automatically received a voucher today. If you think you are eligible, but did not receive a voucher, please contact the office or go to <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> for more information.

### Half Term Holiday Voucher

Please note that a second voucher, to the value of **£21.15** will be distributed next week to help pay for food during the half term break.

## Do you now qualify for Free School Meals?

If your circumstances have changed, and you think you may now be eligible, please check your status on the government website and then call the school office as soon as possible:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

We will then arrange for you to provide your evidence so that you can begin to receive one of our free food or voucher offers.

**\*Please note:** eligibility for 'benefit related' Free School Meals is different from the Universal Infant Free School Meals given to every KS1 and Reception pupils and London Mayors Fund meals provided free to pupils in KS2. You must be in receipt of certain benefits to claim the vouchers.

## The Birthday Book Club



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



***Happy Birthday to Zaid (2B) age 7***

## Nursery admissions from age 3 years old

**Woodcroft Nursery accepts applications for children to start from the age of 3 years old.**

We enrol children at the start of each term when they are three:

- For a **September** start date a child must turn 3 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 before March 31st

For children that have already had their 3rd or 4th birthday please contact the school office to discuss whether we have any vacancies.

### Apply Now

Applications for Woodcroft Nursery are made directly to the school. You can register your child for our waiting list at any age from birth. Please contact the Main Office to register or book a visit.

### Key admissions date for 2024 - 2025 academic year

**Immediate Start in Autumn Term 2024** – born between 1st September 2020 to 31st August 2021.

**January 2025 start** – born between 1st September 2021 to 31st December 2021

**April 2025 start** – born between 1st January 2022 and 31st March 2022



Parents of three and four year olds that are registered with Woodcroft's Nursery can also apply for the new **30 hours free childcare** offer. Parents need to register in advance for these childcare offers, through the Government website. **Apply now for January at**

[www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk).

## Healthy Snacks for Breaktime - No Nuts or Chocolate please

We encourage pupils to lead healthy lifestyles, so a healthy snack for breaktime is a great choice.

### **Early Years and KS1 - No snack required**

Children in Nursery, Reception Year 1 and Year 2 do not need to bring in snacks. Fresh fruit is provided free to every child every day!

### **KS2 - Years 3 to 6**

If you wish to send your child with a snack please make sure it is wrapped or boxed.

Suggested snacks:

- Sliced fruit
- Cheese sticks
- Cut veggies
- Raisins
- Cereal bar (check the sugar)
- Small sandwich or crackers



**Important Note:** We do not allow any chocolate or nut products in school. This is because some children have severe allergies. Please do not send in chocolate cakes or biscuits for snacks that are then stored in the classrooms.

## Half Term Holiday School Closed

**Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November**  
**Pupils return to school on Monday 4th November**

**Take a look at our new lunch menu that starts on November 4th.**

MEAL FREE		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
WEEK 1		Katsu Dipper & Rice V	Margherita Pizza & Garlicy Wedges V	Macaroni Cheese & Garlic Bread V	Chicken Fajitas & Mexican Rice H	Cheesy Bean Puff & Roast Potatoes V	Veggie Rice & Flatbread V	Beef Burger & Wedges H	Veggie Ragu & Spaghetti PB	Fish Fingers & Chips F	
		Sweetcorn & Mixed Salad		Green Beans & Coleslaw		Roast Chicken with Crispy Potatoes & Gravy H					
		Pear & Berry Crumble with Custard V		Coconut & Pineapple Upside Down Cake V	Fruit Flapjack V		Sweetcorn & Broccoli	Peas & Baked Beans	St Clements Sponge with Vanilla Sauce V		
WEEK 2		Korean BBQ Bails & Rice PB	Margherita Pizza & Paprika Wedges V	Mushroom Carbonara & Garlic Bread V	Sausage & Mash with Gravy H	Veggie Curry & Coriander Rice PB	Veggie Stir Fry & Rice PB	Greek Style Beef Pasta Bake & Focaccia H	Veggie Dippers & Chips PB	Fish Fingers & Chips F	
						Roast Chicken with Crispy Potatoes & Gravy H					
		Sweetcorn & Coleslaw		Peas & Mixed Salad		Carrots & Broccoli	Sweetcorn & Green Beans		Peas & Baked Beans		
		Vanilla Ice Cream with Toppers V		Peach Crumble with Custard V	Apple & Berry Cookie V		Pear & Banana Sponge V	Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie V			
WEEK 3		Veggie Burger & Wedges V	Margherita Pizza & Cajun Wedges V	Moroccan Tagine & Couscous PB	Beef & Veggie Pie with Mash H	Veggie Sausage with Crispy Potatoes & Gravy V	Veggie Chilli with Rice PB	Chicken Meatballs in Tomato Sauce & Spaghetti H	Cheese & Onion Quiche with Chips V	Fish Fingers & Chips F	
						Roast Chicken with Crispy Potatoes & Gravy H					
		Sweetcorn & Coleslaw		Green Bean & Carrots		Peas & Cauliflower	Roasted Med. Veggies & Sweetcorn	Peas & Baked Beans			
		Toffee Apple Crumble with Custard V		Lemon & Courgette Muffin V	Strawberry Jelly PB	Pear & Chocolate Sponge with Custard V		Golden Coconut Crispie Cake V			

**Available Daily:** Jacket Potato with Choice of Fillings  
Salad Bar, Fresh Bread, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt

Menu Key: PB Plant Based | F Fish | V Vegetarian | H Halal version available

WEEK 1: 4 NOV / 25 NOV / 16 DEC / 6 JAN / 27 JAN / 10 MAR / 31 MAR

WEEK 2: 11 NOV / 2 DEC / 13 JAN / 3 FEB / 24 FEB / 17 MAR

WEEK 3: 18 NOV / 9 DEC / 20 JAN / 10 FEB / 3 MAR / 24 MAR

High in Fibre

Full Of  
Vitamin C & A

3:18 NOV / 9

FEB / 3 MAR



NR Menu A

Restricted - Internal

Packed with  
Vitamin C