



Together Towards Success
With our AIM Values



Diary Dates

March

Last Day of Term 4th April
Finish at 2.15pm

Pupils return on
22nd April 2025

Social Media



Follow us on Instagram:
[@woodcroft_primary](https://www.instagram.com/woodcroft_primary)

PSHE Themes

Happy Easter

To all those who will be
celebrating ...



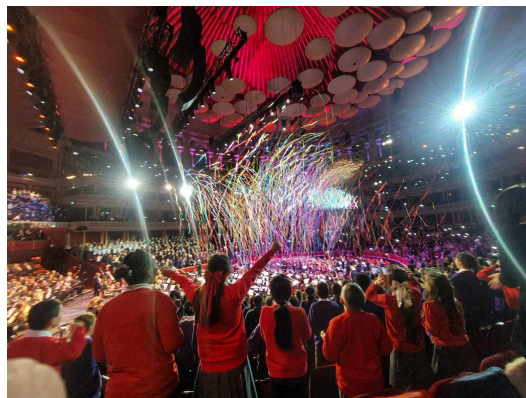
Woodcroft Choir perform at the Royal Albert Hall



The Woodcroft Choir took part in a very special gala concert at the Royal Albert Hall on Tuesday night. This amazing show was the culmination of a term's hard work, rehearsing the songs for the Barnet massed choir.

We travelled to London during the morning, had a picnic in Hyde Park by the Albert Memorial, and then got down to work, perfecting our singing alongside 30 other schools that had been selected to take part.

All of the preparation paid off when we had the experience of being part of an amazing show organised by BEAT, the Barnet Music Service. Miss Stewart, Woodcroft's music leader and choir teacher said, *"I am extremely proud of the Woodcroft Choir, some of the songs were quite tricky but they rose to the challenge, put in a lot of hard work, and sounded fantastic! What an amazing experience to perform at such an iconic venue."*





SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD



Woodcroft is going Smartphone Free after Easter

We want your child to be healthy, safe and successful at school. We believe that for primary age children a smartphone has the potential to do significant harm. As a result, the Governing Body of Woodcroft has decided to make our school smart phone free. This means pupils will not be allowed to bring a smartphone to school after the Easter break.



All smartphones found in school will be confiscated and only returned to an adult

If older children absolutely need a phone when travelling independently to and from school then they will be allowed to bring a traditional feature phone that allows calls and texts only.

Click here for a list of alternative phones approved for school use:

<https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/alternatives>

Please note: we first notified parents of this policy in September 2024 and confirmed the date in November 2024.

Barnet Food Waste Policy



- ✓ Fruit & Veg
- ✓ Meat & Dairy
- ✓ Bread & Pastry
- ✓ Packaged Food
- ✓ Tea & Coffee
- ✓ Wet Blue Roll
- ✓ Cooled Ashes

- ✗ Black Bin Bags
- ✗ Glass
- ✗ Loose Packaging
- ✗ Metal
- ✗ Chemicals
- ✗ Crockery

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Barnet has implemented a new food waste policy. We must now separate ALL food waste from our general rubbish and recycling. Take a look at the poster to see examples of what can and can not be included.

The following practices are to be introduced into school in order to deal with food waste.

Packed Lunches

In the dining room we will ONLY accept food waste from packed lunches. All general rubbish must be brought home in lunch boxes. The following can be disposed of in school.

- Uneaten food
- Yogurt pots
- Juice cartons

Snacks

There will be two separate bins on the playground and each year group will be issued a food waste bin. Pupils will be taught to use the correct bin for their waste.



Summer Term

Pupils return to school on Tuesday 22nd April

We're supporting SFW



Schools' Football Week



31st March - 6th April 2025

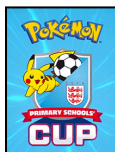
This week is English Schools FA Football Week! Woodcroft was selected as one of only 250 Trailblazer Schools from across the country. Check out what has been happening ...

Author Visit & Book Signing



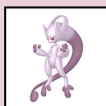
Ben Lyttleton, author of the 'Football School' series of books, visited Woodcroft on Monday to talk to pupils from Y2 to Y6 about the everything football. We enjoyed samba dancing, quizzes, goal celebrations and a penalty shootout. His laugh-out-loud talk was the perfect way to kick-off our Football Week events. Ben stayed after school and signed two of his books for pupils to buy. This was so popular the queue stretched out of the hall.

Pokemon Football Cup



5-a-side teams have been playing in a whole school tournament from Y1 to Y6. The winners from each year group went through to a grand final today. The victorious teams crowned Woodcroft Pokémon Cup Football Champions 2025 were:

Year 1 & 2 Champions
2B Team Mewtwo



Year 3 & 4 Champions
3M Team Garchomp



Year 5 & 6 Champions
6C Team Lucario



Pokemon Club Trailblazer Tournament



Pupils in the Y5 and Y6 lunchtime Pokemon Club have been battling over the past 3 weeks in a special Trailblazer Tournament. Jeremy (Y6) and Rishi (Y6) were joint top scorers in the tournament mini-league and then played each other head to head in a final battle on Thursday to decide who would win the tournament. Congratulations to Rishi who was eventually victorious despite a spirited fightback from Jeremy. Rishi becomes the 2025 Woodcroft Pokemon Champion!



**MILL HILL COUNTY
HIGH SCHOOL**

Important Dates for 2026 Entry

Current Year 5 cohort need to be aware of the following dates:

Year 7 Entry in September 2026 Timetable:

Online Aptitude Test	Friday 21 st March 2025 - Deadline: Friday 9 th May 2025, 3pm
Dance Aptitude Test Dates	Sunday 8 th June 2025 and Saturday 28 th June 2025
Musical Aptitude Test Dates	Saturday 7 th June 2025, Saturday 14 th June 2025, Sunday 22 nd June 2025 and Sunday 29 th June 2025

All enquiries to ... admissions@mhchs.org.uk

For more information visit ... <https://www.mhchs.org.uk/1591/sept-2026-intake>

Nursery, Reception and Year 1 Easter Bonnet Parades

On Thursday we hosted our traditional Easter Bonnet Parades for pupils in Nursery, Reception and Year 1. There were some amazing creations, a lot of work had taken place in many households. The pupils enjoyed parading around for a packed hall with their family and friends. We were even joined by some Easter bunnies!



Take a look at some of our inspired creations...



Barnet Sports

You may be interested in the latest issues of Barnet Sport Newsletter - on pages 4 to 9 you will find loads of sports camps and clubs available to pupils. Click the link to download their PDF newsletter.
<https://cdn.realsmart.co.uk/25c98ca8121dcecef8a222e01ee12a53/uploads/2025/04/04153135/BPSS-Community-Newsletter-Spring-2-2025.pdf>

BPSS Community Newsletter Spring 2 2025

WELCOME...

to the Spring Term 2 BPSS Community Newsletter. We hope you enjoy reading what has happened this term and what local opportunities are available for your children and young people during the upcoming Easter break.



Free Dr Bike sessions



Free Dr Bike sessions, run by qualified bicycle mechanics, enable members of the public to take along their bicycles to have a free, full safety check, which includes the condition of tyres, rims, gears, brake function and tyre pressure and adjustments can be made if required, all for free.

Location Name	Location Description	Date	Time
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs, outside Middlesex University adjacent to Hendon Fire Station, 91 The Burroughs, NW4 4BL	9 April 2025	4pm to 7pm
		11 June 2025	
		13 August 2025	

Tennis Success

Well done Maxim (Y4), not only was he selected for the Middlesex U9 County Team but his squad went on to win the Southern Counties Championship with Maxim being the undefeated joint top scorer.





Household Support Fund - No Easter Food Vouchers

We have been notified by Barnet that they are not issuing Food Vouchers for the Easter Holiday. This scheme is not run by the school, we only distribute the vouchers we receive to eligible families.

Is your child a young carer?



If your child is, or you think they may be a young carer, then they are not on their own. Barnet has over 6,500 young carers. We know that all young carers are different and have different challenges and play different roles within their families/households. What we do know, is that with the right support, most young carers can thrive and live the lives they want to. And that is where we come in.

Our programmes provide great activities for young carers of all ages during the school holidays and some really special opportunities. We can also help them if they are struggling at school. Our education support includes free tutoring in all subjects and can really help them get back on track if their caring role has had an impact on their school work. We also

have a mentoring programme which gives them the opportunity to have a skilled and experienced mentor – many of whom have been young carers themselves – to talk to them about their experiences. This can be delivered during the school day or online at a convenient time.

We also run group mentoring sessions (led by our professional mentors) within their school day, where they can meet with other young carers in their school and support each other in all aspects of their day, inside and out of school.

Barnet Young Carers schools programme manager, Sandra Langham, would love to hear from you or your child and answer any questions or queries you may have, or if they would like to utilise one or some of these amazing services, please contact her on:



Sandra Langham, Barnet Young Carers Schools Manager

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<https://barnetyoungcarers.org.uk>

**Whole
School
Attendance
92.7%**

Weekly Attendance Awards

Y1/Y2 Class of the week: 2B 🏆 TOP CLASS 🏆
Y3/Y4 Class of the week: 3M
Y5/Y6 Class of the week: 6C



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
Rahela (3M) age 8***



Barnet's Local Area SEND and AP Partnership Annual Survey for Parents and Carers

Aims of the survey:

- To hear from parents and carers of young people in Barnet with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and/or in alternative provision (AP).
- To help services in your local area understand what is working well and how we can improve support for children and young people.
- Redistributing this survey on an annual basis will help to identify whether responses to your suggestions for improvement have been effective.

***The survey will be open until Friday 25th of April
Thank you for taking the time to share your valuable feedback***

**[Click here for a link
to the survey.](#)**

Or scan the QR code

