



Together Towards Success  
With our AIM Values



## Diary Dates

Year 3 Swim Week  
26th to 30th January

Y5 Chick Project  
Begins 26th January

Reception Phonics  
Workshop  
4th February

Parents Evenings  
Tuesday 10th & Thursday  
12th February

Half Term  
SCHOOL CLOSED  
Monday 16 February to  
Friday 20 February 2026

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## PSHE Themes

In school we have been thinking about  
**DEMOCRACY** and our  
pupil elections for the ...



## PARENT/CARER CONSULTATION EVENINGS

We are holding our spring term parent consultation evenings on **Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th February**. This will be an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress and take a look at their work and books

We use the **Arbor booking facility** to schedule all meetings. These will be held in your child's classroom.

### How to arrange a meeting

1. Log into your **Arbor Parent Account**
2. Scroll down and click **Guardian Consultation**
3. Select your child in the **Meetings** section
4. Click **Time Slot** and select an available appointment from the drop down list
5. Finally click the green **Book Time Slot** and select **YES** you are sure
6. You will receive a confirmation email and also be able to see your meeting time on your Arbor App



### What happens on the day

1. Please arrive at school in good time before your appointment
2. Make your way to your child's classroom - staff will be on hand to direct you if you are unsure where to go
3. Class teachers will invite you into the classroom to discuss your child's progress
4. Appointments will be strictly limited to 10 minutes. If you require more time teachers will schedule a follow up meeting at a mutually convenient time.
5. Pupils are welcome to attend with their parents. But try to avoid bringing younger preschool siblings as this can cause a distraction

**Consultation meeting bookings open at 3.00pm on Friday 23rd January using the Arbor App**



## The Arbor App

**It is expected that ALL parents/carers schedule meetings with their child's classteacher.**

### Mr Rees 3R

Due to a pre-existing arrangement, Mr Rees will NOT be available during Parents Evening week. Alternative dates will be made for after half-term.

# Road Safety Concerns on Watling Avenue



It has been brought to the school's attention that families have experienced safety issues on the zebra crossing on Watling Avenue. This includes cars not stopping when pedestrians are on the crossing.

While it is important for the school to be aware of general concerns it is vital to report these directly to the police. **The failure of motorists to stop for pedestrians at a zebra crossing is a police matter. You should report any driving offence here: [Driving offences | Metropolitan Police](#).**

A screenshot of the Metropolitan Police website. The header features the police crest and the text 'METROPOLITAN POLICE'. A search bar with a magnifying glass icon is on the right. Below the header is a navigation menu with links: 'Report', 'Tell us about', 'Apply or register', 'Request', 'Thanks and complaints', 'Your area', and a 'Home' link followed by 'Advice and information > Road safety'. The main content area has a large title 'Making a road traffic incident report' and a sub-section 'You can report a:' with a list including 'collision' and 'driving offence'.

Please use the button at the bottom of the page to report dangerous driving

Report

[Report a road traffic incident](#)

At Woodcroft we hold a document called the School Travel Plan. This is designed to promote safer, sustainable travel to school. It is also used to liaise with Barnet's Safe and Sustainable Travel Team. Following the recent concerns raised by parents we are engaging in the following ways:

- Raising this matter with the School's Governing Body
- Planning observations of the crossing with Barnet's Travel Team
- Organising Road Safety Workshops for pupils
- Gathering parent experiences regarding issues on the zebra crossing
- Encouraging parents to report dangerous driving to the police

## School Survey

We are conducting a short survey to gather information that will be used to update our School Travel Plan. If you have experienced a road safety incident on the zebra crossing please use this form to let us know here: <https://forms.gle/m7iowH6CAqj1xAur8>



Road Safety Survey About The Zebra Crossing On Watling Avenue

Woodcroft supports a ...



# SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD

We ask that parents put their smartphones away when on the school premises. Staff will politely remind all visitors of our policy. Thank you.

## Nursery and Reception Parents



The Nursery and Reception Team are holding Parent Workshops and Stay & Play sessions this half term. All parents in Reception and Nursery are invited to come along and find out about how to support your child at school.

**'Parent Workshops' take place in school on a Wednesday morning from 9:00 – 10:00 am.**

**Check out the 2026 timetable below:**

Workshop Title	Date	'Stay & session	Workshop leader	Supporting staff
Phonics	4.2.26	4.2.26	Ms Khan	Mr Russell
Mathematics	11.2.26	11.2.26	Ms Khan	Mr Russell



Our first session is about **'Sounds Write'** phonics. This is the approach we use to teach children the letter sounds within words. They then practice 'blending' these together to help them begin to read and write. Come along and find out how you can help your child get off to the best start in their reading journey.

## Respecting Local Gardens and Driveways



It has been brought to our attention that some parents and pupils are entering local gardens and driveways on the way to and from school. **We have received a number of complaints from our neighbours.**

Can I ask that we respect local property to maintain good relationships between the school and its neighbours.

**Please DO NOT allow children to enter gardens or stand on driveways.**

## Ruby Award for Denis (Y1)

The first RUBY AWARD of the academic year was presented to Denis (Y1) in assembly this week. Denis has reached the milestone of 500 achievement points since September. He is now working his way towards DIAMOND, the next level. Pupils need 1000 points to get the top award.



**Well done Denis!**

# Woodcroft Year 5 Excel on Citizenship Day



On Thursday Year 5 attended a citizenship day held at RAF Hendon. In teams, they worked through a series of safety scenarios led by experts from the Fire Brigade, Police, Transport for London and Hope UK. Groups were given a 'success score' after each base. Woodcroft teams excelled, achieving the highest overall results! This is what the pupils said about their day:

*'The trip was awesome! My favourite part was experiencing the bus scenario where we were tested on how we would enter a bus, but 99% of us failed because we forgot to thank the driver'. (Malique)*

*'I liked the trip because I had a good partner and the trip was about safety for when we get older. Also, I enjoyed the Police presentation on crime because they performed scenarios and gave advice about what to do when different things happen'. (Bianca)*

*'I loved learning all about trains, safety, fire fighting, policing and buses. I really enjoyed it and it was a fun experience'. (Yusra)*

*'It was really useful because when we go to secondary school we might face some difficult situations.' (Eileen)*

*'It was great because we got to meet professionals who taught us things to help now and in the future.' (Mahwa)*

*'I liked how the instructors were so friendly and funny and they also taught me lots of things.' (Nihaat)*





# NURSERY SPACES AVAILABLE - APPLY NOW

## Nursery admissions from age 3 years old

Woodcroft Nursery accepts applications for children to start at ages 3 and 4 years old.

We enrol children at the start of each term after 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 31st March

Children can then apply to start our Reception class from the September of the year they will become 4 years old.

### Apply Now

Applications for Woodcroft Nursery are made directly to the school. You can register your child for our waiting list at any age. Please contact the Main Office 02089593244 to register or book a visit.

### 2025 - 2026 academic year

**January 2026 start** – born between 1st September 2022 to 31st December 2022

**April 2026 start** – born between 1st January 2023 and 31st March 2023



### **Mapac School Uniform - January Sale**

Mapac, our uniform supplier, hosts the online Woodcroft uniform shop. Check out Woodcroft's dedicated webpage and their current January sale:  
<http://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/woodcroftprimaryha80qf>



**Whole School Attendance**  
**94.3%**

### Weekly Class Attendance Champions

**Y1/Y2 Class of the week: 2LD (98.0%)**

**Y3/Y4 Class of the week: 3R (98.2%)**  **TOP CLASS** 

**Y5/Y6 Class of the week: 6J (97.1%)**

# LOCAL INFORMATION



Your ward councillors welcome hearing from residents across Burnt Oak so have put together the following information for those who may not be aware of how to contact them. This information page also includes other contact points on key issues.

## Contacting Councillors

We hold a surgery fortnightly on Saturdays at Burnt Oak library 10.30-12 – there is a list of dates up in the library and the next surgery is on 17 January.

You don't need to wait for a surgery to be in touch and most people contact us by email and/or phone, and we have to raise all enquiries by email. Our contact details are:

[Cllr.s.conway@barnet.gov.uk](mailto:Cllr.s.conway@barnet.gov.uk)

07548 128869

[Cllr.c.daus@barnet.gov.uk](mailto:Cllr.c.daus@barnet.gov.uk)

07507 877591

[Cllr.k.gurung@barnet.gov.uk](mailto:Cllr.k.gurung@barnet.gov.uk)

07801991580

## Crime and Community Safety

Met Engage is a fairly new police platform for raising issues directly with the police and also receiving updates on arrests, security measures, etc. In the past couple of years, reporting by residents has made a key difference to catching drug-dealers, burglars etc. as part of extensive operations and arrests in the area, supported by the Council's upgraded and expanded CCTV system (including 2 mobile units) and community safety team as appropriate. It's simple to sign up, and for more details see: [Home Page - Met Engage](#)

In an emergency please always call 999, and for other issues reports can also be made to 101 by phone or online.

As ward councillors we regularly raise community safety issues but you can also contact the team here: [How we are keeping Barnet safe | Barnet Council](#)

## Fly-tipping and other issues

The online system is generally the quickest way for the Council to action clearance etc. but please do also contact us when needed [Report a problem with a road, street or pavement | Barnet Council](#)

The Council is currently running a focused fly-tipping education and enforcement campaign in 4 wards including Burnt Oak [Caring for our places: Keeping Barnet Clean | Barnet Council](#)

The Council runs a community skips programme, details of locations and dates here: [Community skip service | Barnet Council](#)

- It is also possible to get cookers, dishwashers, fridges and freezers, tumble dryers, washing machines and large TVs collected for free by the North London Waste Authority, to donate items and to use the Council's bulky waste collection service, details here:

[Electrical and electronic items | NLWA](#)

[Caring for our places: Recycle and reuse your waste | Barnet Council](#)

Furniture and other items in good quality can be donated for collection to The Loop in Grahame Park

[Contact Us | the loop - grahame park](#)

## Support Services

**Connect Barnet** offers friendly, in-person guidance to help you with the council services you need.

[Connect Barnet: Visit us in person to get help with Barnet services | Barnet Council](#)

Burnt Oak Library

- Address: 99 Watling Avenue, Edgware, HA8 0UB
- Monday and Wednesday from 9am to 5pm
- Please arrive before 4pm

**Boost** is an employment and skills service helping Barnet residents get the support they need to overcome barriers and gain sustainable employment, based in Burnt Oak library [BOOST – Barnet Homes](#)

**Barnet financial calculator** [Financial calculator | Barnet Council](#)

