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With our AIM Values



Diary Dates

May
Bank Holiday
School Closed
Monday 4th May

7th May at 5.00pm Year 5
Secondary School
Applications Information
Evening

11th to 15th Y6 SATs Week

21st Y6 Residential Camp
Meeting - 5.00pm

Half Term: School Closed
25th to 29th May

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PSHE Themes

In school we have been
learning about:

Franz Schubert
Austrian Composer



Franz Schubert - Classical Music Recital




This term we have been listening to the music of Franz Schubert, and today we were honoured to be visited by two professional classical musicians Hui-ling and Ye-joon. They played a repertoire of three duets on both the piano and flute.

First Ever Diamond Award



Our international musicians were also on hand to present Woodcroft's first ever Diamond Award. Denis (1T) has amassed an astonishing 1000 Points and has become the first recipient of this award since it was introduced last year.

The Big Sunflower Project

 We have officially begun our annual Big Sunflower Project! Every class has been given a packet of seeds, compost and pots. Their challenge is to grow the tallest sunflower by the end of term.

Mr Russell will be measuring them every week and providing updates. Last year 6J took the crown, we wonder if Ms Jackson has really got green fingers and can repeat her growing success.

Get Smart Entertainment Choices for Your Family



NEW!

Big Parenting Questions Deserve Better Answers

Explore what's new



Every kid is different. Every family has their own comfort zone. And the tech part? It moves faster than any of us signed up for. Good news: The updated Common Sense Media app meets you there. Expert advice on the platforms your kids already love. Age-based picks that save you the endless scroll. And answers that feel like they were made just for your family. Because they were.

[Check it out: click here](#)

Year 6 SATS Week 2026

National SATs tests will soon be taking place for Year 6.

Monday 11th: Punctuation, Grammar and Spelling

Tuesday 12th: Reading

Wednesday 13th : Maths Arithmetic and Reasoning A

Thursday 14th : Maths Reasoning B

A few reminders:

- Children should attend school to sit the tests even if feeling a little unwell
- Make sure pupils get a good night's sleep and arrive on time
- Don't forget your water bottle and healthy snacks (Breaktime bananas will be provided)

And finally...Year 6 have worked very hard and do not need to worry - they are all ready and well prepared and can only do their best.



Birthday Books

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

Tabiaz (3R) age 8 & Sara (3R) age 8



MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY
SCHOOL CLOSED ON MONDAY 4TH MAY

Passport Applications

Please request identity verifications by Friday 22nd May



Parents often ask school staff to verify their identity and counter sign applications. This can be a time consuming activity but we are happy to provide it for free. Please be aware that we can then be contacted by the Passport Office to provide additional checks at various points during the application process. This means that it can take up to 10 weeks, especially during busy summer periods. To ensure sufficient time is allowed before the summer break we must enforce a cut off date after which we cannot countersign passports. Please note, you must have been

known to the school for no less than 2 years. When applying for children we are also verifying the identity of the adult.

This is what you need to do before you apply to the passport office:

1. Ask a member of senior staff to act as your witness.
2. Provide the full name and dates of birth of all adults making the application. We need to be familiar with all adults on the application.
3. Confirm we have your correct address
4. Provide evidence of the child's place of birth
5. Submit your digital application (we do not complete paper applications).

Staff aim to complete applications within 48 - 72 hours.

Please do not ask staff after Friday 22nd of May as you will be politely declined until September

Can we take family holidays during term time? NO!

Family holidays must only be taken in the school holidays. If, in **exceptional circumstances**, you need to request permission for your child to be granted a leave of absence during term time, please request a form from the school office or make an appointment to see the Headteacher.

This form will need to be completed at least a week in advance of the leave of absence. The school will review the request and any evidence provided and make a decision. If the request is approved the absence will be authorised. If the request is **not** approved the absence will be unauthorised and you may be fined, £60 per child - per parent.

What if we return to school after the start of term?

Parents could be fined with a **Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN)** if their children miss the start of term. Parents will be expected to submit evidence to support the reason for exceptional circumstances. If the absence is regarded as unauthorised, or no evidence is given to explain it, then a Fixed Penalty Notice will be issued.

Will we get a Fixed Penalty Notice for missing one day of school?

Fixed Penalty Notices are issued for unauthorised absences.

**Whole School
Attendance
94.3%**

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Y1/Y2 Class of the week: 2LD (96.3%)

Y3/Y4 Class of the week: 3R (97.6%)

Y5/Y6 Class of the week: 6J (97.7%) 🏆 TOP CLASS 🏆

Year 5 Parent Meeting for Secondary Transfer 7th May at 5.30pm

Year 5 parents need to make a date for their diaries to come along to a meeting all about the secondary transfer process. Mr Tallon will lead a presentation and answer your questions.

National Tests for Pupils

Year 6 - SATs

These are important tests that take place in May every year. Pupils across England are assessed on their knowledge in reading, maths, and grammar/punctuation/spelling. A moderated teacher assessment of writing is also submitted.

Year 4 - MTC

The multiplication tables check (MTC) is statutory for all Year 4 pupils. Woodcroft will administer the MTC in the second week of June. The easiest way to get your child ready is to allow them to spend a short time practising their tables every day. Please use quiz games at home or allow short sessions on times Tables Rock Stars.

Year 2 - NO SATs

The end of KS1 national curriculum assessments for Year 2 are now non-statutory. The Reception Baseline Assessment (RBA) has now replaced Y2 SATs as the starting level for primary progress. Pupils in Year 2 will still be assessed internally, using standardised assessments, however they do not now form part of the official government statistics.

Year 1 - Phonics

The Phonics Screening Test will be taken by all pupils in Y1 during the week commencing 8th June. You do not need to do any special preparation for your child. However, the best thing you can do as a parent is read EVERY day with your child. The more you read, the better your child will succeed.

Reception - Early Years Foundation Stage Profile (EYFSP)

Reception staff are now completing your child's profile assessments. These are not tests, but observations against the early learning goals. Parents can discuss these outcomes at the parents meeting in July.

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 after their 3rd birthday. To apply for a place contact our school office. Visit our website for more information

<https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/nursery-admissions/>

Earliest 3 Year Old Admission Dates for the 2026 - 2027 Academic Year

September 2026 start – born between 1st September 2022 to 31st August 2023

January 2027 start – born between 1st September 2023 to 31st December 2023

April 2027 start – born between 1st January 2024 and 31st March 2024

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

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.

30 hours FREE childcare



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.

<https://beststartinlife.gov.uk/>

Summer Term Diary Dates 2026

May

School Closed on Monday 4th May for the Bank Holiday

7/5 Y5 Secondary Transfer Evening for Y5 families 5.00pm

11/5 - 15/5 KS2 SATS Week

21/5 Year 6 Bushcraft Meeting - Main Hall for Year 6 @ 5.00pm

Half Term Week - School Closed from 25/5 to 29/5

June

PUPILS RETURN Monday 1st June

3/6 to 5/6 Bushcraft Y6 Residential Camp

w/b 8/6 to 12/6 Year 4 Multiplication Check

w/b 8/6 Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

11/6 Year 6 Trip to Theatre Royal to watch Disney's Hercules the musical

w/b 15/6 Reception Visits for new families

18/6 Choir Perform at Barnet Schools Music Festival - Finchley Arts Depot

19/6 New to Reception Family Meeting (September Intake) 9.15am

23/6 Y3 Trip to the Natural History Museum

25/6 Y1 Trip to Kew Gardens

Sports Day - World Cup Theme

30/6 KS2 9.30 - 11.30AM Sports Day at Burnt Oak Leisure Centre (BOLC)

30/6 KS1 and Early Years 1.30 - 2.30PM Sports Day at BOLC

July

2/7 Meet the Teacher Day 9.00 - 10.00 children visit their new classes

2/7 Year 6 Secondary Transition Visits (not all schools)

6/7 Year 3 Ukulele Summer Concert

6/7 Pupil Annual Reports Distributed

7/7 Y4 Trip to Verulamium Museum (St Albans)

7/7 Parents Evening 4.00-7.00pm

7/7 Y6 Leavers Dress Rehearsal

8/7 Y6 Leavers Show - Afternoon Wednesday Matinee to Parents

8/7 Y2 Trip to Mill Hill Park

9/7 Y6 Leavers Show - Evening performance

Final week

13/7 Y6 Arts Award - Portfolio Moderation by Trinity College

15/7 Y6 Leavers Party Day

16/7 EYFS Stay & Play Picnic

16/7 Y6 After School Water Fun

17/7 Last Day of Term (2.15pm Finish)

Pupils Return after the summer break on Thursday 3rd September 2026

Please note: additional dates may be added in due course

School Catering Newsletter

ISS, our school meals providers, produce a termly newsletter. Click here to download their summer edition: <https://cdn.realsmart.co.uk/25c98ca8121dcecef8a222e01ee12a53/uploads/2026/05/01072233/ISS-Newsletter-April-2026.pdf>

FEEDING HUNGRY MINDS



WELCOME TO YOUR TERMLY NEWSLETTER!

**We are delighted to be
the chosen caterer in
your school.**

We believe that it is every child's right, not privilege to be able to eat a lunch that is freshly prepared everyday using quality, fresh and seasonal ingredients.

Over the next few pages, we have included a summary of how we engaged with our pupils in the last term, what is planned for the next few months, what do we do to constantly elevate and innovate and more.

