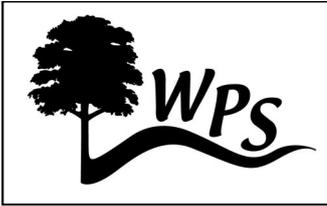


Design Competition Success for Woodcroft Pupils



In the summer term our Y5 classes (now pupils in Y6) took part in a competition linked to the **ADOT.com** charity which focuses on raising awareness of 'World Peace'. The pupils had to design artwork for a t-shirt and write a passage to convey the message – 'We are

all similar and need to develop an understanding of unity'. The competition results have just been announced and we are very pleased to say that **Imad (Y6)** won the artwork design part of the competition and his artwork will now appear on the ADOT t-shirts! Also, we have 3 runners up; **Sofia , Aisha and Jonathan** who will have their work published on postcards and the charity's website. Congratulations to them all!



Together Towards Success

Sustrans BIKE IT Project Launch Assembly



KS1 & KS2 were visited in assembly by a representative from Sustrans to launch a new BIKE IT project at Woodcroft. Sustrans are a leading UK charity enabling people to travel by foot, bike or public transport for more of the journeys they make every day. They work with families, communities, and schools helping people to choose healthier, cleaner and cheaper journeys. Over the course of the year Sustrans will be supporting a number of activities at Woodcroft as part of the BIKE IT campaign and encouraging children to use their bikes safely.

Year 4 at the Royal Albert Hall Primary Proms

On Monday 13th October, Year 4 visit the Royal Albert Hall to see the Music for Youth Primary Proms. Pupils have been studying the great composers in weekly music lessons, and the trip provided a unique opportunity to consolidate curriculum music by seeing the works performed live at a world class venue by young musicians. We even had the opportunity to become performers by joining in the singing in the finale! We were very proud of our pupils for their conduct throughout the day.



Barnet Young Gardeners Competition



On Thursday 9th October Mrs Brown, Mrs June, pupils Brooke and Chloe and their mum Carla went along to the award ceremony of the Young Gardener Competition held at Sunnyfields School. This was the first time Woodcroft had entered the competition, now in it's fourth year, and judged by the Mayor of Barnet, Finchley Nurseries and Hendon Horticultural Society. Our Reception garden didn't win, but the judges comments about our garden projects and the pupils' knowledge were extremely positive. It has given us lots of ideas for the future of our little garden.

Attendance Awards: for week beginning

★ KS1 Class of the week: **2M (98.3)%** - Good Attendance!

★ KS2 Class of the week: **4P (99.3%)** - Almost Perfect!

↓ **Whole school attendance is now 96.2%** ↓

We must be punctual, 85 late tickets were issued last week. ☹

International Week 20th to 24th October



International week is next week! Have you thought about what you are going to wear? Have you agreed to bake a cake for your country's table at the cake sale! This is an opportunity to celebrate the diversity of Woodcroft as we have never had as many different countries or languages spoken in school as we do today.

Classes will be doing their own activities along with these events:

International Events

Cake Sale: On Wednesday 22nd October at 3.15 in the large hall we will be having a cake sale. We hope to have every country represented. Which continent will raise the most money? Please bring any cake donations in to school earlier that day.

National Parade: Come to school in traditional clothes on Wednesday.

International Menu: school meals will have an international flavour next week as our school catering staff will be preparing a special menu for those that have school meals.

Vegetarian and meat options will be available on all days.

Monday:	England - Sausage & Mash
Tuesday:	Italy – Lasagne / Pasta
Wednesday:	India – Chicken Curry / Veg Curry
Thursday:	USA - Burger & Fries
Friday:	Asia & Africa - Stir Fry / Jollof Rice & Chicken



Harvest Festival



Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Harvest Festival food and coin collections this week. Each class made some lovely decorated hampers and Miss Lloyd and Ms Vanner presented each class with a prize book to thank them for their efforts. The food collections will go to locally nominated people, and to Age Concern Barnet. Pupils also joined together in making a fantastic 'Harvest Tree' coin picture. I will announce the total collected next week, but it will go to support our link school in Nepal plus a donation to Age Concern. Well done to Mrs Hurley for her coin picture artwork, and Mr Russell for organising this year's harvest celebrations.

Aim@ Arts: Year 5 Workshops with the Unicorn Theatre

As part of our link with the Unicorn Theatre our Year 5 pupils took part in a drama workshop on Wednesday entitled 'How Nigeria Became – A story of the 'Spear of Shango'. The story forms part of the English curriculum and was a prelude to the work they will be doing in class. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed working with a professional actor and commented that it was 'inspiring', 'fun', 'awesome', 'unique' and 'amazing'!

Bronze Sports Ambassadors

We are pleased to announce that we now have another four pupils representing Woodcroft as a Bronze Sport Ambassador bringing our total to 8 across Year 5 and 6. The four new Y5 ambassadors: **Ndidi, David, Alin and Marina** attended their first training session on Monday at Colindale Primary School. They had the opportunity to learn new leadership skills, how to manage a group and lots of ideas for games and sporting activities. Over the next few weeks they will be setting up new sporting initiatives and organising clubs as well as forming part of our School Sports Council.

School Sports Council

Our 8 Bronze Ambassadors together with **Sammy, Shabnam, Bobby and Naveed** (all Year 6) have formed our School Sports Council for this academic year. They have their first lunchtime meeting on Monday 20th October where they will discuss PE and Sport updates as well as thinking how they can take PE and Sport forward at Woodcroft. They will also be setting up new sports clubs so watch this space!