



Together Towards Success



A Sad Goodbye to Mr McIntosh at the End of Term

We shall be saying goodbye to Mr McIntosh at the end of this term. Mr McIntosh has decided to return to New Zealand with his family following the birth of his new daughter. We wish him well for the future on the other side of the world! 5M will become 5R as the class will now be taught by Mr Rees, a familiar face to the pupils and staff.

Christmas Cards



We shall be putting out the Christmas Post Box on Monday 1st December. It can be found in the main entrance. We ask that all cards are distributed using the post-box as children are not allowed to hand them out during the school day. Please put envelopes in bins.

Christmas Card Charity Appeal



Every year we support the Great Ormond Street Christmas Charity Appeal. Children can bring in a donation for their class GOSH Box and then write a seasonal message that goes onto a special festive poster. If you are eco-conscious this can replace traditional cards. Children would then write one message to the whole class and then give to the charity box what they would have spent on cards! Alternatively, it can be done in addition to handing out personal cards.

Christmas Book Fair Success

Thank you everyone who visited our school Book Fair. Special thanks must also be made to Mrs Cahill and Mrs Smith who run the Book Fair for you every year. We took a fantastic £936 which allowed the school to receive £500 worth of FREE books.

A Week Of Outstanding Music

On Monday, Year 3 put on a fabulous show with their Ukuleles. Every pupil learns an instrument as part of our whole class instrumental tuition programme, and after only 9 lessons Year 3 performed wonderfully.

On Tuesday our Choir wowed their families with four songs taken from West End shows. Their finale, Revolting Children from Matilda, will long be remembered for the passion, enthusiasm and quality of their singing.

Thursday brought another outstanding Autumn Instrumental Concert by our string and woodwind groups. The progress that our musicians have made is astonishing. They all played an accomplished set in front of a packed audience of pupils and families.

Well done to Miss Sherring and the music team. Take a look at the their photos on the school website

Attendance & Punctuality Awards: for week beginning XX November 2014

★ KS1 Class of the week: **1H 88.2%** - Well Done

★ KS2 Class of the week: **4B 99.6 %** - Excellent—almost perfect

➔ **Whole school attendance remains at 95.2% (The target is 96%)** ←

☹ **73 late tickets were issued last week. We need to be on time every day!** ☹

Our attendance has suffered due to the chicken pox outbreak. A total of 174 school days have been lost due to chicken pox. We hope our attendance will improve again soon!



Christmas Lunch Menu for 17th December 2014

Roast Turkey and Stuffing with Bacon and
Chipolata

Or

Halal Chicken

Or

Quorn sausage and gravy

Roast Potatoes and Parsnips

Carrots and sweetcorn

Mince pie and custard or
Chocolate sponge and sauce or
Ice Cream with Fresh Fruit

Every child is given a festive cracker!



If your child has a packed lunch and you would like them to enjoy a Christmas Lunch please pay £2.15 at the school office to book your child's meal. All payments need to be made by **9.00am on Friday 5th December**. Those pupils who normally have a school meal do not need to do anything.

Woodcroft Web Updates

Woodcroft launched its new website at the start of term - we have now uploaded lots of content all about the school. Recent new items include:

- ★ Music Concert Report and Galleries (Home)
- ★ Children in Need Gallery (Gallery)
- ★ Safeguarding Statements (About Us)
- ★ Latest Governor Monitoring (Governance > Governor Monitoring)
- ★ Woodcroft Weekly News (News > Weekly News)

Always keep yourself up to date by visiting woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk

Friends of Woodcroft Table Top Sale

Friends of Woodcroft are hosting their annual Christmas Table Top Sale. If you would like to book a table to sell your own items, clear some space before Christmas and raise some money then please contact the school office.

12th December from 3.00pm to 4.30pm

Book a table and sell your own items

- ◆ **Small Tables £2.50 Large Tables £5.00**

Lots of other stalls on the day:

- ◆ **Tombola**
- ◆ **Photos with Santa**
- ◆ **Games**

Contact Mrs Sharpe in the school office for more information on 02089593244



Year 3 Went Back To Ancient Egypt for a Day

Year 3 pupils spent the day on Wednesday reliving life in ancient Egypt through dance, drama and story telling with the help of a professional company. The children had a great day and enjoyed learning new facts in such a creative way. At the end of their Egyptian Day they shared performances with each other. Take a look at the website for some of their pictures.

Chess Tournament Victory

Mrs Niner took 11 players from chess club for our annual match against Goldbeaters on Thursday. It was a brilliant tournament, the children were very well behaved and were very good competitors. We are happy to announce that we won the tournament, it was a close match! We played two rounds, in the first round we won 6 1/2 to 4 1/2 and in the second round we drew 5 1/2 and 5 1/2. Last year Goldbeaters took the honours, so it was great that all of chess club's practising paid off - well done Chess Team!

Festive Message Newsletter



Every year I publish a special edition newsletter that contains messages from the whole school community. Everyone can contribute; pupils, parents, staff and governors! Instead of sending cards to school staff, why not write one single message for the newsletter and then send it into the office with a small donation for GOSH. Use the space at the bottom of the page to write your message.

Festive Message

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