



Together Towards Success



Have you applied for a place in Woodcroft Reception?

Applications Close on January 15th

Children born between 1st September 2010 and 31st August 2011 are due to start reception class in September 2015. These will generally be children currently in Nursery. Applications are open now!

Every pupil must apply by 15th January!



The closing date for applications is 15th January 2015. There is a shortage of school places in this area so don't delay in submitting your application. Families currently in Woodcroft's Nursery received an information leaflet earlier this term.

Visit our school website page for more information and a link to apply:

<http://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/reception-class-admissions/>

FREE ESOL ENGLISH COURSE FOR MOTHERS



IF you are a non EU mother and would like to develop your English skills then sign up for our ESOL course. This course will run on two mornings per week from January until May. A flyer was distributed this week and copies can be downloaded on our website.



Volunteer Police Cadets Juniors

Year 6 Pupils have an opportunity to enrol as Junior Police Cadets. They meet every Wednesday from 5.00pm to 6.30pm at the Hendon Police Training School. More information and an application form can be downloaded from our website.

Class Party Time

Class parties take place on the dates listed; more information will be sent out by individual classes. On party days children can come to school dressed in their party clothes from home. Please remember that children still need a warm coat and suitable shoes for break and lunchtimes.

School Food Policy: The school recognises that food plays an important role in celebration of cultural, personal or community milestones, such as religious festivals, birthdays or the end of terms. Food given should form part of a balanced, healthy diet. Foods given at these occasions should not contain nuts. Chocolate, homemade cakes and fizzy drinks are not allowed. Thank you for your cooperation.

Can I take this opportunity to remind parents of our Food Policy in school for celebrations and festivals as set by the school's Governing Body. I have copied an extract in the box above. **IMPORTANT:** If your child has a known allergy please ensure that Mrs Hatch our Senior Welfare Assistant is informed.

Attendance Awards: for week beginning 1st December

★ KS1 Class of the week: **2M (97.7%)** - Good Attendance!

★ KS2 Class of the week: **6G (99.3%)** - Excellent!

↑ **Whole school attendance is now 95%** ↑ ...and is slowly improving.

☹ *We must be punctual, 100 late tickets were issued last week.* ☹

Festive Message

From

Festive Message Newsletter - All messages by Monday please

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 above to write your message.



Fantastic Christmas Shows - available to view on the Treehouse

The families of our KS1 and Foundation Stage pupils have been treated to a week of wonderful Christmas Shows. I would like to congratulate the children and thank the staff for all of their hard work. Each show can now be viewed on the **Treehouse** using your child's login details. Photo galleries have also been uploaded to our website.



Christmas Notice Board



December dates:

15th Y2, Y3 & Y4 Parties (*all classes will send out further information about food and drink, etc*)

16th Y1, Y5 Parties (*all classes will send out further information about food and drink, etc*)

17th Christmas Lunch (No extra orders can now be taken, every child will receive a Christmas cracker including those on packed lunch)

17th Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception Parties)

18th Christmas Panto

18th Y6 Christmas Party

18th Nursery Last Day

19th Toy Day

19th Last day of term - School closes at 2.00pm

*Pupils return for the start of the Spring Term on **Tuesday 6th January 2014***



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:

- ★ School Sports Council Minutes (About Us > Pupil Leadership > Sports Council)
- ★ ESOL Course Information (Home Page)
- ★ Music Award Nomination (Home Page)

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