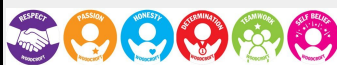




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#AIMvalues



New on the website

Lots to look out for on the website. Recent additions include:

Forthcoming Events

January 2018

8th Y5 Visit Mill Hill Church

9th School Council Meeting

10th Y2 Teddy Bears Picnic at Allianz Park for 10 pupils

11th Football vs Goldbeaters

15th Boccia Team Tournament at Burnt Oak leisure Centre

15th 2018 RECEPTION CLASS APPLICATION DEADLINE

16th Height and Weight Checks for Reception and Y6

17th Barnet Young Carers assembly

18th Football vs Orion

19th Y4 Dodgeball Club Tournament


24th Y6 Football Tournament

25th Digital Technology Day

25th Swedish Teachers delegation visit Woodcroft

Twitter

Follow us on Twitter:

 @WPS_Success

PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about ... **Going for Goals**

Happy New Year

All of the staff would like to thank pupils and families for their kind cards and generous Christmas gifts. We hope that you had an enjoyable break. We wish all of our school community a very happy New Year!

Reminder for Nursery Parents: Reception Application Deadline

Applications for Reception class starting in September (2018) need to be completed before **15th January 2018**. Please be aware that a place in our Nursery does not guarantee automatic entry in Reception.

Our school website has been updated with all of the latest information and downloads. Next week we shall make our IT Suite available for parents on Tuesday (9th) and Friday (12th) at 8.45am and 12.15am to provide advice and assistance for anyone who requires it; please speak to the Nursery staff.

APPLICATION DEADLINE - 15th January 2018

New FREE School App Available: Download it NOW!



Have you installed the new school app? All parents were sent a notification text on Tuesday. Set up is quick and easy if you already receive our school texts.

Follow the simple steps online and get school information on your phone.

Nasal Flu Vaccinations: Rescheduled for 9th January 2018



Pupils from Reception to Year 4 were due to receive nasal flu vaccinations before Christmas. Unfortunately due to the weather the NHS team were unable to visit Woodcroft.

These important vaccines have now been rescheduled for 9th January 2018

Height and Weight Checks Rescheduled for 16th January 2018.

Pupil height and weight checks for Year 6 and Reception are now scheduled for Tuesday 16th January 2018.

Little Oaks Parent and Toddler Group Starting Thursday 11th January 2018 From 9.00am - 10.30am in the Oak Suite



Little Oaks, our popular pre-school group will be restarting next week. All parents and carers are welcome to come along with their babies and pre-school children to the Oak Suite from 9.00am every Thursday.

The sessions are organised by one of our qualified Nursery Nurses and are a great way to prepare younger children for school and to make friends.

Tell your friends! You don't even need to have a pupil at Woodcroft to come along.

If you have any questions please call Woodcroft on 02089593244 and ask to speak to Ciara Finnegan.

We look forward to seeing lots of you every Thursday!

Online Payments Are Coming to Woodcroft from Monday 5th February



We are delighted to inform you that we have recently signed up to the online payment system **SchoolMoney**. This means that you will now have the facility to make payments for school expenses, such as trips, online with your debit or credit card.

This new payment system will benefit both us as a school and you as a parent. You will be able to pay for items from the comfort of your own home and access your account at any time to see if there is anything you need to pay for. **SchoolMoney** will enable us to experience a more streamlined, cost-effective and efficient payment system in a secure and safe environment.

We plan to **go live from Monday 5th February** when parents will be issued with their login details.

New Course For Parents at Woodcroft who are not working on Wednesday (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DAY TO WEDNESDAY)



Woodcroft will be hosting a fantastic new FREE course for parents starting in January. It will be provided by Barnet's Family Resilience Team every Wednesday morning for 10 weeks. FREE Creche facilities will also be available. If you are not working on Wednesdays and are free to attend please sign up or express an interest. For more information enquire at the school office or speak with Ms Anna if you use the Foundation Stage entrance. Refreshments are provided and certificates will be awarded at the end of the course

FAMILY LINKS (10 weeks starting Wednesday January 17th 2018)

For parents of children aged 2-11 years. The focus is on looking after yourself as a parent and to help understand your own and your child's emotional needs. The purpose is to help good communication within the family. Areas covered: family rules, behaviour management, understanding and managing feelings, nurturing ourselves, child development and problem solving.

Clubs Notice - Please check which clubs are on next week

Please note that there are only certain clubs starting next week. This is due to mandatory evening training that all teachers will be involved in next week. ONLY the following clubs will be running next week:

Monday - Boccia 3:15-4:00pm ON

Monday - Multi Sports - Foundation Sports 3.15 - 4.30pm ON

Tuesday - Dance Club 3.15pm ON

Wednesday - KS1 Football - Foundation Sports 3.15 - 4.30pm ON

Thursday - Dodgeball - Foundation Sports (Y4) 3.15 - 4.15pm ON

Acorns After School Club is unaffected. All other clubs will start the following week (w/b 15th Jan)

Engage Barnet



Your views are being sought about council spending for 2018/19. They are keen to give everyone – residents, businesses, and local community groups – the opportunity to have their say on our proposals.

To tell them your views on the proposed budget, visit our Engage Barnet website which will host the consultation until 14 January 2018. <https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/>

Whole School Attendance

↕ 95.7% ↕

We need to reach our 96% target!

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week Beginning 18th December 2017

KS1 Class of the week: 2L 96.1% Fantastic, keep it up!

KS2 Class of the week: 5S 97.2% TOP ATTENDANCE!!

Mealtime Supervisor Vacancy

A new Mealtime Supervisor (MTS) is required to start during the spring term 2018, details below...

We are looking for an enthusiastic Mealtime Supervisor to join our committed team. Experience of working with children in play settings is desirable and a calm manner essential. Our job description and person specification gives more details about the post. These are available from the school website on the Vacancy page (Information Section).

<http://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/mealtime-supervisor-vacancies/>

MTS Post Details

Part Time

Term time only

Hours per week: 6 ¼ (with opportunities for additional hours)

Pay scale (see below)

Start date: Monday 19th February 2018

Woodcroft Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. Any successful applicant will be required to submit satisfactory references and undertake a criminal record check via the DBS before they can be appointed.

Application forms can be downloaded from the website and should be returned to the school by Monday 15th January. If you require a paper copy of any forms please enquire at the school office.

Closing date for applications: Monday 15th January 2017

Interviews will take place during the week of Monday 22nd to Friday 26th January 2018

Visits to the school are welcomed. For further details please contact the school office and speak with Mr Russell (Deputy Headteacher).

Mealtime Supervisor Pay Scales

The pay scales for school support staff changed on April 1st 2017 and are now part of the Barnet Unified Reward Scheme.

Job Title: Mealtime Supervisor Grade A

Basic Salary (Full Time Equivalent) £18,375

Actual Salary (without additional hours) £2,896

Exciting Events for the Spring Term

Take a look at just some of the highlights coming up this term...

Y4 Dodgeball Festival - 19th January

Woodcroft defends it's trophy!

Digital Technology Day - 25th January

Woodcroft is being visited by a delegation of Swedish Teachers - our reputation is international!

Great Big Dance Off 2018 - 5th February

This year's team perform on the stage for the first time

Safer Internet Day #SID2018 - 6th February

Create, Connect and Share Respect - A better internet starts with you

The BIG READ 2018 - starts 26th February

Competitions, art projects, challenges, extreme reading, storytelling and lots more...

M&M Theatre perform The Little Princess - 27th February

A classic story brought to life at school!

World Book Day - 1st March

Celebrate stories. Love reading

Barnet Dance Festival at the ArtsDepot - 9th March

Our dancers take to the stage again

British Science Week - 9th March

We are taking part in the UK's biggest celebration of science #BSW18

Year 3 Happy Chick Project starts on 12th March

We get to see chicks hatching in our school

Sport Relief Day - 23rd March

Sport Relief is back! Bringing the nation together for one big challenge #WhateverMovesYou

The WOW Factor Final - 28th March

The Woodcroft's talent showcase returns for another amazing year!

Lots of opportunities to live our Woodcroft AIM values...

