



Together Towards Success
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New on the website

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

- Gold TfL STARS

Forthcoming Events

October

Wed 10th Harvest Coin

Picture - Please remember your loose change!

Parents are invited to view the coin picture in the Tardis at 3.15pm

Thur 11th Harvest Hamper Day

Every class will display a basket of fabulous food donations

Wed 17th is International

Colours Day - wear your traditional clothes

Half Term Break 22nd to 26th

Twitter

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 @WPS_Success

PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about:

Black History Month



Woodcroft Gains Gold Award



Woodcroft has been re-accredited with the **GOLD Level STARS Award** for 2018! This is the highest level STARS accreditation from TfL (Transport for London), and is awarded for promoting Safe, Sustainable, Active and Responsible travel. For more information follow: <https://stars.tfl.gov.uk/>.

Well done to Mrs Valoti, Ms Townsend and our Year 6 Junior Travel Ambassadors for coordinating our work in school.

We have now been invited to a prestigious award ceremony in London in November to celebrate this fantastic achievement.

Year 4 Bikeability Training



Well done to our successful Year 4 cyclists who completed the Level 1 Bikeability training last week. Instructors from Cycle Confident taught the pupils the basics of safe cycling and control.

Secondary Transfer Information for Y6 Families

Can we remind all our Year 6 families that the secondary admissions process has now opened. Information is available on our website:

<http://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/secondary-transfer-2019/>

It is vital that Y6 parents start their child's secondary application. Mr Tallon, Headteacher, is available to support any families to complete the eAdmissions online forms at the following times. Please inform the school office if you are planning to attend a session.

- Thursday 11th October from 8.45am - 9.15am
- Tuesday 16th October from 8.45am - 9.15am and 3.00pm - 3.30pm
- Thursday 18th October from 8.45am - 9.15am and 3.00pm - 3.30pm

(Please be aware that some pupil's have historical accounts from original primary applications. This can delay the process until logins are verified. Please create or check access to your account now to avoid last minute problems. School choices can be edited later)

Bronze Arts Award Presentation



Thirty pupils who left us in the summer made an emotional return to Woodcroft last week to receive their prestigious Bronze Arts Award Certificates. It was lovely to see so many of our Y6 Leavers come back for our annual Arts Award party and presentation evening held on Thursday 27th September.

To achieve Bronze, a Level 1 national qualification, pupils presented detailed portfolios to an assessor from Trinity College London to show they had taken part in arts activities, experienced art events, researched artists and shared new skills with others. The award is accredited by Arts Council England and awarded by Trinity College. Well done to all of our amazing pupils. Thank you to the Woodcroft staff who have trained as Arts Award Advisers to be able to run this programme. Our current Year 6 will now be given the opportunity to obtain this nationally recognised qualification.

SENDIASS Conference

Barnet Special Educational Needs Disability Information Advice Support Service is holding its annual conference on the **18 October 2018**. The conference is for parent/carers who have children with special educational needs and disabilities.

There are a variety of workshops taking place and guest speakers to attend.

Booking forms are available in the News Section of our school website.

Upcoming Workshops for Parents of Children with Additional Needs

Tuesday 9 October 2018 – Time to Talk – Workshop leader: Jenny Melling, Family Support Worker, Barnet Mencap (Barnet Mencap's office, 10am-12). Please see the flyer for more information.

Thursday 22 November 2018 – What is it like to be autistic? Personal experience of autism and ADHD – Workshop leader: Emma Cooper, Autism Advisor, Barnet Mencap (Barnet Mencap's office, 10am-12).

If you would like to book a place for any of these sessions contact Barnet Mencap on 020 8349 3842 or email projectsupport@barnetmencap.org.uk



Macmillan Coffee Morning Success

Thank you to everyone who supported our charity coffee morning on Friday. We raised a fantastic **£167** in total. This included donations for the cakes we had left over at the end of the day.

Respecting Local Gardens and Driveways

It has been brought to our attention that some parents and pupils are entering local gardens and driveways on the way to and from school. We have received a number of complaints from our neighbours.

It is essential that we respect the private property of nearby houses and gardens. Please can I remind parents to supervise their children if they walk with them to school. I shall also be monitoring the behaviour of those older children who walk by themselves.

Changes to Site Opening and Access Times



Following an audit of site security a number of changes to site access times started from 1st October.

At the beginning of the school day:

- The back entrance now opens at **8.30am** (previously 8.00am)
- All Breakfast Club pupils must arrive via front Main Entrance from 8.00am.
- Only Breakfast Club children will be allowed into the school building at 8.00am

8.00am: Access for Breakfast Club via the Main Front Entrance only.

8.30am: General access to the site via Front and Back Entrance (but not top KS2 Door).

8.45am: The KS2/Y6 Front Door opens for access.

8.45am: Foundation Stage opens for access

8.55am: Bell rings and all doors and gates are locked. Access via buzzer at Main Front Entrance only.

11.45am Foundation Stage is Open for Morning Nursery Collection

12.15pm Foundation Stage is Open for Afternoon Nursery Arrival

The end of the school day:

3.15pm All entrances open for access

3.30pm All entrances locked (Access after 3.30pm via buzzer at Main Front Entrance only)

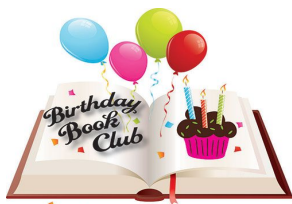
4.15pm Main Front Entrance opens for collection from clubs (No access via any other entrance)

4.30 All doors locked (School Closed)

If any club or activity is advertised to finish after 4.30pm the adults in charge will supervise dismissal from the main front entrance as appropriate.

Acorns After-School Club:

Collection from Acorns remains unchanged. Please collect children from the Oak Suite Entrance



The Birthday Book Club

Thank you to these pupils who have had recent birthdays and joined our Birthday Book Club by donating books for the Library.



A very Happy Birthday to Lexie (Y3) age 8

Whole School Attendance

↑ **97.2%** ↑

EXCEEDING TARGET 96%

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week Beginning 24th September 2018

KS1 Class of the week: 1D 100% A Perfect Week! Well Done! TOP CLASS

KS2 Class of the week: 6G 99.7% A near perfect week! Keep it up

Harvest

We shall be making our annual Harvest collection next week when we ask families to make a donation of food and coins to support those in need within our local community. The children will be celebrating with a Harvest Assembly on Thursday 11th October. This is not a performance, so parents will not be attending, however we depend on your support.

Class Hampers



Each class will also be **collecting food** to make a **class hamper**. Children are asked to bring in **canned or dried food** that they will put into their special class hamper. This will then be decorated in the classroom and displayed in Thursday's assembly. The **Harvest display** will be left for parents to view in the main hall after school on Thursday at 3:15pm.

Coin Collection



We shall also be creating a '**coin-picture**' on Wednesday 10th October, using the coins donated from each class for this display. The proceeds from our coin collection will be supporting the local charity '**Barnet Age UK**'.



****Please bring in coins on Wednesday 10th October to add to our picture****



If you would like to **nominate** a person from our community who you think would benefit from a food parcel, then please could you complete a nomination form, from the office. We would also ask you to deliver the food parcel with your child. The remaining food hampers will be distributed to Barnet Age UK.

Thank you for your support.