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New on the website

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

- Term Dates
- Wembley Trip
- New Dinner Menus

Forthcoming Events

May

- 20/5 Porto Conference for teachers involved in the European Project
- 20/5 Healthy Lifestyles Assemblies from Xplore Barnet
- 23/5 Meeting for prospective Nursery Parents for September 2019
- 23/5 Meeting for Y6 Parents about the Bushcraft Residential
- 24/5 Y6 Visit the Unitas Youth Zone

Half Term 27 May to 3 June

Pupils return on Tuesday 4th June

June

- 4/6 Great Big Dance Off National Finals
- 5/6 Y6 Bushcraft Residential

Twitter

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PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about:

Healthy Lifestyles

Drive Carefully Around School



Some parents and local residents continue to express concern about the speed and care that parents are driving their cars on the school run. Please drive with caution around school. It is safer and healthier to park a short distance away from the school gates and walk those extra few steps.

Term Dates

Included with this newsletter are paper copies of the 2019 - 2020 Term dates. These are also available on our website:

<https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/term-dates/>

On our website you will also find the 2020 - 2021 dates for those of you who like to forward plan!

Foundation Stage Stay and Play to continue every Wednesday



The series of workshops on Early Years Maths, Writing and Phonics have now finished. The feedback from parents was very positive. Particularly enjoyable were the 'Stay & Play' sessions, where parents were invited to come along to the Foundation Stage Setting between 9:00 - 10:00 on Wednesday to see a demonstration lesson. As this has proved

so popular we would like to extend the invitation for parents to continue to come along and join their child on Wednesdays from 8.45 - 10:00am.

Upcoming Woodcroft visits to Unitas

The Unitas Youth Zone will be opening soon, and Woodcroft pupils have been given the opportunity to get early access and take a sneak peak at this fabulous local youth centre. On Friday 24th May Year 6 will visit, and then on 10th June it will be the turn of Year 4 and Year 5. More information about the Unitas opening events is included with this newsletter.



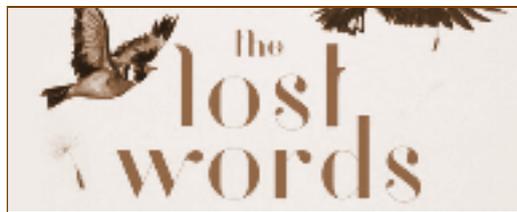
Half Term

Can we remind parents that Half Term is fast approaching and children will be on school break from 27th May. Pupils will return to school on Tuesday 4th June (not Monday). All dates can be checked using our online school calendar via the website.

SATs

Well done to Y2 and Y6 for their excellent attitude during their national tests. Year 6 finished this week, however Year 2 still have some tests to complete. These papers are an opportunity for pupils to demonstrate what they have learned. We have been extremely proud of every pupils' application and focus throughout this testing period!





The Lost Words

At a time where climate change and species extinction are very tangible problems, it's never been more important for people to understand and care for the natural, non-tech world. Robert Macfarlane and Jackie Morris' book *The Lost Words* is aiming to re-connect children and nature. The idea behind the book came from the observation that the Oxford Junior Dictionary had dropped a number of common 'nature words' from its newest edition, including acorn, kingfisher and willow, and replaced them with words including broadband, celebrity and voice-mail!

The Mayor's Office, in association with the charity Trees For Cities and backed by Bulb (UK Green energy supplier), have distributed the book for free to every primary school in the capital. It is a reminder that we all need to do more to improve the environment of their schools, and to undertake creative projects around nearby nature. Woodcroft Pupils will get to enjoy this Book in our Library.



Lost Words Half Term Writing Competition

Over Half Term we would like the pupils to write their own Lost Words Acrostic Poem - it's easy! Choose any word from nature, write an acrostic poem and decorate your page with a picture, There will be some examples from the book posted on the school website. The poems will then be turned into our own anthology and displayed in the Library. Prizes will be awarded for the most interesting entries in each class. Take a look at Mr Tallon's attempt - he is sure you can do better!



World Ocean Day

As you might be aware it is World Ocean Day on Saturday 8th June. School Catering will celebrate the occasion with a special ocean based menu on the 7th of June.



School Catering Company, ISS Food Services, have pledged to avoid fish with a Marine Stewardship Council 5 rating and follow a sustainable seafood policy. They have also committed to reducing the volumes of consumables (single use plastic) and replace them with sustainable alternatives where possible. You can find out more about school meals on our website:

<https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/school-meals-information/>



The Birthday Book Club

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



Happy Birthday to ... **Scarlet Y5 age 10 & Sophia RP age 5**

Whole School Attendance

⇒ 95.5%
Still aiming for 96%

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week Beginning 6th May 2019

KS1 Class of the week: 2L 99.1% Well Done - TOP ATTENDANCE!

KS2 Class of the week: 3V 98.2% Keep it up!



Unitas Youth Zone Opening Soon!

Unitas Youth Zone is proud to announce that they are soon to open their doors to thousands of local young people 7 days a week – giving them access to world class facilities and brilliant activities outside of school hours for just 50p per visit (and a £5 annual membership).

The **Grand Opening Day is Sunday 23rd June** between 11am and 2pm, but before that they have a number of pre-opening taster events for families, young people and the local community, which are outlined below. All are free, but please note that all children aged under 18 must be accompanied by an adult for the events below. Remember, the Unitas Youth Zone is nearby along Montrose Avenue (HA8 0DT).

- **Sunday 2nd June – 11am – 3pm - Community Day** for children with disability - a day for children with disabilities and their families to pop down, see Unitas, take part in some taster activities and enjoy some food and help shape the programme
- **Saturday 8th June – 11am – 3pm- Local Community Day** – local community and residents invited to bring their children, see the building, enjoy some food and meet the staff.
- **Sunday 23rd June – 11am to 2pm – Grand Opening Day** – the big opening! You are invited to come to Unitas, be part of some performances by young people, and join in as they open Unitas formally for the first time. The first Junior session for children aged 8 – 12 will take place later from 3pm – 7pm (adults not allowed!).

A promotional poster for 'UNITAS OPEN DAY FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES' on Sunday 2nd June 11am-3pm. The poster features a green header with the event title and a white body with details. It includes a list of activities: 'SEE THE FACILITIES', 'TASTER ACTIVITIES', 'FOOD', and 'MEET THE TEAM'. A circular badge on the right says 'EXCLUSIVE OPENING EVENT'. The Unitas logo is at the bottom right. The background of the poster shows photos of children with disabilities, including one in a wheelchair, and the exterior of the Unitas Youth Zone building.

**UNITAS OPEN DAY
FOR CHILDREN
WITH DISABILITIES**
SUNDAY 2ND JUNE 11AM-3PM

Join us at Unitas Youth Zone for this special drop in session to find out more about what is on offer for young people with additional needs in Barnet

- **SEE THE FACILITIES**
- **TASTER ACTIVITIES**
- **FOOD**
- **MEET THE TEAM**

Unitas Youth Zone,
76 Montrose Avenue, Edgware, HA8 0DT
Registered Charity Number: 1173239 Company Number: 10445685

**EXCLUSIVE
OPENING
EVENT**

unitas
AN ON SIDE YOUTH ZONE

For any pupil, who would like to become a member, it is quick and easy to sign up:

- log on <https://www.unitasyouthzone.org/young-people/membership/>
- Insert contact information
- upload a photo
- pay £5 membership
- then each time a young person visits Unitas its 50p per visit

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PROGRAMME FOR
CHILDREN AGED 4-13 YEARS



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