



Together Towards Success
#AIMvalues



New on the website

Lots to look out for on our website:

- Christmas at Woodcroft

Forthcoming Events

January 2020

14/1 Year 4 start swimming lessons at Cophall Pool

15/1 Year 4 visit the Tate Britain

16/1 Year 6 Football 6-a-side Comp at Friern Barnet

20/1 Y6 Visit the Harry Potter Studios

21/1 Netball Tournament at Cophall School

24/1 Girls Football v All Saints

29/1 Football Team v Orion

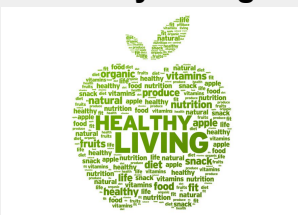
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PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about:

Healthy Living



AN OPPORTUNITY NOT TO BE MISSED! New Workshop For Parents at Woodcroft

Wednesday 29th January 2020 9.00am to 10.30am



Barnet Wellbeing Service

We all want our children to flourish and enjoy life - but how can we best help as parents? Woodcroft will be hosting a fantastic new FREE workshop for parents in January. It will be run by The Barnet WellBeing Service. Parents can participate in a 1 ½ hour practical workshop with some sound advice and clear and practical strategies for you to use. Things that will work with immediate effect.

Click on the flyer in the news section of the website for more information.

To reserve a place speak to a member of staff or either email office@woodcroft.barnetmail.net or tel 02089593244



An Introduction to the Barnet Wellbeing Service
We are based in Hendon, with a focus on improving individual needs and wellbeing. Our aim is to improve your emotional health. Find out more and get in touch via <https://barnetwellbeing.org.uk/>

Reception Class Applications for 2020

Parents of children in Nursery should have now completed their application for a Reception Class due to start in September 2020. The **Deadline is 15th January**. If you need any help completing the form please speak with Mrs Glass or make an appointment with the School Office.



Please remember that a place in Woodcroft nursery does not guarantee a Reception Class place. Please ensure applications are submitted on time.

Woodcroft #AIM Values



At Woodcroft we encourage children to adopt a core set of values. We call these our **AIM Values** because we believe that having **A**spirations and **I**nspiration **M**atter in life. That is why we strive to enrich and extend the National Curriculum through our **AIM** Programmes (AIM Digital/Technology, AIM PE/Sports and AIM Arts).

Time Tables Rock Stars - Festive Battle of the Bands report by Uzayr Y5



During the holiday, Key Stage 2 battled it out ambitiously on TTROCKSTARS to find out which year group had the knowledge to make it to the top of the table. Year 3 did exceptionally well with an outstanding score of 188,021 beating Year 4, who had a score of 121,863! Furthermore, Year 5 had an excellent score of 88,389 but unfortunately it wasn't enough to outrun Year 6 with a spectacular score of 102,308. It was a very intense battle for everyone. Congratulations to all the year groups and keep up the hard work, especially Adem (Y3) who scored the most individual points in the entire school !

Year 5	88,389	102,308	Year 6
Year 3	188,021	121,863	Year 4

By Uzayr Y5

Attendance Champions

Regular attendance is vital. Did you know that if your attendance falls below 97% you will have missed an entire week of school by the end of the school year? Well done to 5M - our spring term champions and the only class to get an average attendance above 97% !

Position	Class	Attendance
1st	5M	97.87%
2nd	3V	96.54%
3rd	3H	96.42%
4th	6J	96.39%
5th	2B	95.64%
6th	4B	95.85%

Position	Class	Attendance
7th	5R	94.97%
8th	2L	94.2%
9th	4G	93.9%
10th	6G	93.28%
11th	1H	93.23%
12th	1CP	93.10%




The Birthday Book Club



Thank you to all of the pupils who have enjoyed recent birthdays and joined the Birthday Book Club by donating books for the Library. We would like to wish a very Happy Birthday to... **Andion (Reception) age 5, Stefan (Y1) age 6, Melanie (Y2) age 7, Nawaal (Y5) age 10 and Lucy (Y6) age 11**

Homework and Home Learning at Woodcroft: Parent Information Guide

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Reading Record
 Home Link Book

Name: _____
 Class: _____

At Woodcroft we believe that homework is an opportunity to extend learning and encourage independence. It also supports families to develop a learning ethos at home. We want homework to be a help not a hindrance and to promote good study habits. It is also an opportunity for families to actively talk about school with their child. Homework is provided in two ways; firstly through the Brain Builder Book and secondly through regular daily tasks to learn the basic skills; especially reading, spellings and times tables. Notes can always be made in the Homelink Book. **Please sign your Homelink Book every week!**

Brain Builder Homework



**BRAIN
 BUILDER**

Brain Builders are flexible tasks designed to suit all styles of learning and ability. Weekly objectives are set in class with children. They are often open ended so that children can do them in whatever way they choose. There is no right or wrong way to complete a Brain Builder task, all we ask is that children try their best and parents give a little help and support where

required (but not to do it for them!). Assignments are given out once a week so that you can choose when to do it at home and plan the week ahead.

Some weeks a child may really enjoy a task and produce a major project, at other times a family may be busy and therefore only have time to complete a simpler piece. Every task should always be attempted. All Brain Builder assignments are acknowledged in a weekly class review session where pupils get to celebrate their own Brain Builder work and appreciate the efforts of others.

Smarthomework: Remember that your child's weekly Brainbuilder homework activities are also available to view from our website. Look out for the Smarthomework button at the top of the website page when your child logs in.



Daily Home Learning

In addition to the Brain Builder there is an expectation that children will complete regular daily tasks (see below). These may be set with the Brain Builder or as separate sheets.

Reading Record: It is vital that parents and carers read **daily** with their children. Books and reading at home should be recorded. We encourage families to make regular comments using the comprehension questions in the Homelink Book.

Year Group	Home Learning Tasks	Time Allocation (guidelines)
Nursery	Sharing books	10 minutes daily
Reception	Reading	10 minutes daily
Year 1	Reading Spelling	10 minutes daily 5 minutes daily
Year 2	Reading Spelling/Times tables	10 minutes daily 10 minutes daily
Year 3	Reading Spelling/Times Tables	15 minutes daily 10 minutes daily
Year 4	Reading Spelling/Times Tables	15 minutes daily 10 minutes daily
Year 5	Reading Spelling/Times Tables	20 minutes daily 15 minutes daily
Year 6	Reading Spelling/Times Tables SATs Revision Tasks	20 minutes daily 15 minutes daily Daily (pre SATS)

If you have any questions about your child's homework please speak with your class teacher.

WOODCROFT PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Term and Holiday Dates

SPRING 2020

PUPILS RETURN Tuesday 7 January 2020

Half Term School Holiday Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February

Last Day of Term Friday 3 April (Nursery Finishes Thursday 2 April)

Easter School Holiday Monday 6 April - Friday 17 April
(Easter weekend 10 - 13 April)

SUMMER 2020

PUPILS RETURN Tuesday 21 April 2020

May Day Bank Holiday will be taken on Friday 8 May

(NOTE: May bank holiday has been moved back by four days for the whole of the UK to coincide with the 75th anniversary of VE Day. It will now take place on Friday 8th May)

Half Term School Holiday Monday 25 May - Friday 29 May
(Spring Bank Holiday will be taken on 25 May)

STAFF TRAINING Monday 1 June (School Closed)

PUPILS RETURN Tuesday 2 June 2020

Last Day of Term Tuesday 21 July (Nursery Finishes Monday 20 July)

Autumn 2020

PUPILS RETURN Monday 7 September 2020