

Walthamstow Montessori School

Newsletter



Sports Day Friday 29th June, 2018

Each year, sports day is a great success, lots of fun and lovely family day. We end the event with a family teddy bears picnic.



A letter with full information on this annual event will be sent home this week (we will email too).

We look forward to seeing all our families at the off-site venue: The George White Playing fields. Please remember school is closed on this day.

Please ensure you return the slip indicating your attendance and your order for an official WMS sports day T-shirt for your child.

Don't forget to send in your child's entry for our 'design the sports day programme cover' competition.

Diary Dates to Remember!

Please note that we close for the summer holidays on Tuesday 17th July at 12.30pm. Early Risers will run on this day but Tea Timers' will not as there will be staff training taking place.

Summer Concert: Whole school family event. Friday 13th July at the Chingford Assembly Hall.



With the continuing hot and sunny weather

PLEASE ensure your child has sun-screen applied before school and a named sun-hat. There were still



children that came in every day last week without a hat to protect them from the hot weather. We will keep them as cool and hydrated as possible so please send them in with a sun hat.

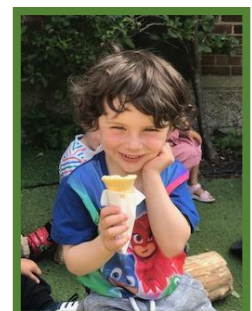
WMS Summer Holiday Club



We are pleased to confirm that we have received sufficient demand to run the holiday club every day for the dates released during the summer holidays. There may only be a few spaces available on some days left so please contact the office in the first instance if you didn't return a booking form or payment by the deadline last Friday. A letter confirming your place and days will be sent home next week. But if you returned a booking form your place is confirmed.

Our WMS Wellbeing Week visitor!

We all enjoyed our special wellbeing visitor last week. Toni spent the day with us and enjoyed meeting and being cared for by the children!



The children enjoyed the weekly activities, especially ice-cream Friday!

Father's Day

We look forward to welcoming our Upper School child's 'someone special' to school for breakfast on Friday. Did you receive your invitation? If so please let us know if you are joining us for Breakfast.

Second-hand spare clothes

If you have any spare boy's trousers (aged 2-4) or pants as well as socks and t-shirts then please donate them to our spares box please. Thank you in advance of your donations.

School Photographs

Please ensure orders are returned by Friday 15th June. After this date, you may need to make your own arrangements with the photographer for ordering so we urge you to do it through the school office so we can ensure you receive them before we break in July.



Charity!

We wanted to share with you that Miss Mary will be putting herself through the very energetic and muddy 12-mile obstacle course 'Tough Mudder' challenge in aid of Mental Health. Mary knows that this will be testing her physical strength, stamina as well as mental grit! It's a charity you know we feel very strongly about. She would love to reach her target figure of £500.

If you would like to sponsor Mary then her fundraising page is www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mind-over-mudders.

Class Information

Elementary

Last week, children enjoyed a variety of activities connected to mental health awareness week. Children especially enjoyed giving gifts to one another and eating the delicious and healthy fruit. Children are rehearsing weekly for the school play in July. Scripts did go home with children, so they can practise their parts. A group of children enjoyed choreographing a dance for the play during drama club, and we were on the dance during one of our gym sessions this week. In maths some children worked on multiplication with two-digit multipliers, using the bank game,

word problem challenges and division skills. Others worked on refining dynamic subtraction, clock work, multiplication by tens and long multiplication using the checkerboard. Children are also working on editing and proofreading their creative writing stories, and editing sentences on task cards. Children also complete daily reading activities, identifying themes, main characters, problems and solutions in the books they are reading.

This week, children will continue with play rehearsal and costume ideas will go home. We will also begin looking more at the importance of bees, botany activities and ancient civilisations.

Prep

Last week, Prep class enjoyed our school wellbeing week and took part in the different activities relating to our feelings. Well done everyone for coming to school in your pyjamas and bringing a lovely gift for your friend and showing kindness.

This week, Prep class will continue learning about plants and in maths we will continue learning about 2D- 3D shapes. We will also start to learn more about money. They will be recognising the different coins and making different amounts of money using different coins. For topic, we will be learning more about wildflowers and make a chart and in science we will learn about fruit and vegetables! We will be also celebrating Father's Day with a breakfast treat on Friday!

Reception

Last week, we looked at the features of the submarine, its parts and missions. We have been singing one of most famous Beetle's song " The Yellow Submarine" and learning the words as well. We have looked at the tankers, passenger ships, cargo ships and bulkers, all maritime vessels that cross the oceans carrying either liquid or dry cargo. The topic of this week has led us to look at the Morse code and the international flags used to communicate the possible problems tankers, container and cargo ships face while shipping goods.

During our out and about session the children enjoyed making teens numbers represented in quantity and symbol.

A huge thank you goes to all the parents who have made, with their support,

wellbeing week such a huge success.

Kindergarten:

Oak:

Last week, Oak class enjoyed learning about the submarine. Children learned about the different parts and their functions. The children created their own craft during the drama session. We also had so much fun singing the yellow submarine song. During the drama session, the children acted out different roles of the crew that work inside the submarine.

As part of our weekly topic, the children participated in a science activity – sinking and floating. They used a range of objects and they guessed if the object would sink or float. This exercise also extended their vocabulary by learning new words such as heavy, light, metal, sink and float. We also enjoyed talking about our emotions as part of wellbeing week. The children learned a song about different feelings such as sad, happy and excited.

We also enjoyed sharing a piece of fruit and exchanging gifts with our peers. We were so proud that the children kindly said thank you to their peers after receiving gifts independently.

This week, our letter will be 'h' and we will be learning about ships and boats.

Sycamore:

Our topic 'Seas and Oceans' continued last week with the children learning about different parts of a submarine. The children enjoyed developing their language skills by naming the propeller, periscope and rudder. We all did some exciting submarine crafts, where the children demonstrated good cutting skills as they cut around lined shapes using the scissors and explored a variety of mixed mediums.

For wellbeing week, we all participated in a lovely circle time, where each child took it in turns to say something nice to their friends. Some of the children also said some lovely comments about their teacher. The children also exchanged gifts on our wear something green day.

Our library visit was very much enjoyed as they listened to the story 'A busy day for birds' by Lucy Cousins' The children were then given the opportunity to make an owl headband.

Children also participated in the parts of an owl terminology cards which is also known as 3-part cards. This material which is made up of a picture of an object and its name, assisted the children in

building their vocabulary and concepts about different parts of the owl which they enjoyed with much enthusiasm.

This week, Sycamore class will be learning about ships and boats in conjunction with our topic. We will be looking at different types of ships and the children will explore the different parts. Once again, we have some exciting activities planned including water painting and a boat race. They will also be given the opportunity to make their own little boats. In addition, we will also be reinforcing our letter of the week 'h' by linking the sound with the environment.

Beech:

It was a very busy and wonderful week. We started the day every morning with the song "happiness is something if you give it away" and children enjoyed singing it. We have been talking about our emotions every day and how important it is to give love to others. Children enjoyed cutting the fruits they brought from home and sharing them with their friends. It was lovely to see them offering fruits to their friends.

Furthermore, we have been talking about submarines and some interesting facts about them. We made submarines using kitchen rolls for our art lesson. Children enjoyed singing the "yellow submarine" song and attending to an adventure under the sea in our drama lesson. For our 'Out and About', we did the 'sinking and floating' experiment where children used objects from nature such as pebbles, sticks, stones, leaves etc. They were very excited and enjoyed doing the experiment.

This week we will be learning some interesting facts about boats and ships.

Nursery:

Last week, nursery children settled back into the routine and spoke about their half term holidays. Each day we participated in various activities as part of our Wellbeing week. We focused on different facial expressions, emotions and how to express how we are feeling. Children were also very excited to show their family photos and something which makes them happy during our circle time. We were very proud of how kind everyone was when exchanging their gifts, especially when waiting for their turn.

This week, we will be focusing on Father's Day activities. Children will be making various crafts and learning new songs while talking about those who are special to them. We will also continue with practising our concert songs and sports day races.

Best wishes, WMS Admin

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