

W/C Monday 20th May 2019

Walthamstow Montessori School

Newsletter

Please note that we close for the half term break on Friday 24th May, school re-opens on Monday 3rd June. Early Risers and Tea Timers will run as normal on this day.

Sodo Pizza School Trip

Last week Reception children from our Upper School visited Sodo Pizza in Walthamstow, to further enhance their term topic on 'Enterprise'. The co-founder of Sodo Pizza, Enzo, spent time explaining to the children about all the different aspects needed to make a business successful. The children then had the opportunity to watch a pizza



being prepared and cooked in a traditional pizza oven and of course taste testing the pizza was the best part of all!!

We are extremely grateful to Sodo Pizza for taking the time out of their busy day and for making us feel so welcome.

If you get a chance, please visit Sodo Pizza so that you can taste one of their amazing pizzas for yourself.

www.sodopizza.co.uk
tel no: 020 8520 1244

Everywhere Bear

Had a wonderful time with Zayn.



Those cupcakes look yummy!!

Geography Area

There has been lots of activity and work going on in our newly enlarged geography area.



Remember if you have any items that would be suitable for our 'artifact' boxes, please drop them off at the school door. Thank you.

School Photos!

Photo proofs will be sent home this week with your child. All orders to be returned to the school by Friday 7th June.



Budding chef!

Jakob from our Upper School was so inspired after his school trip to 'Sodo' pizza that he decided to wake up early the next morning and start baking a cake at 8am!!

He got all the ingredients out himself, and apparently the cake was delicious!!



Walk to School week 2019

This year's walk to school week runs from Monday 20th to Friday 24th May. WMS will be joining thousands of children across the country celebrating the benefits of walking.

Each child including our 2-year olds have been handed a 'Walk to School' leaflet. Please encourage your child to walk each day. Just let your teacher know how many days your child has walked to school so that they can collect their walking stickers from their class teacher.

Exciting Art Project!

Upper school children have been asked to participate in a 'Local Schools Art Gallery'. The children will have the opportunity to have their work on public display in a 'gallery'. It will be displayed in the window of Pat's Winns Mart at Winns Avenue entrance to Lloyd Park. When the display is ready we will let you know.



Microphones Wanted

Elementary are due to start filming their class production. If you have any microphones that they can use, please give the office a call on **0208 523 2968**. Ideally a 'Shotgun' microphone.

Thank you.

Anti-idling

A simple way to contribute to the quality of our air is by turning off your engine whilst waiting stationary in your car. We are encouraging parents to do this when waiting outside school.



Lost Property Box

Please check our lost property box for any mis-placed items. Please note the box will be emptied on Friday and any items that are left unclaimed will be given to a local charity shop.



Class Information

Elementary

Last week elementary class tested their skills in reading and writing Greek. For the classics lesson we looked at the Greek alphabet, ancient versions from different locations of Greece and the modern one, and we examined how the Latin alphabet derived from the Greek one. Students wrote their name in Greek, by choosing one of the versions. In Literacy we practiced writing mechanics, specifically commas and conjunctions, and also our reading skills, while reading Harry Potter and the 'Sorcerer's Stone'. In Maths, the children did some excellent work using the materials, working out multiplication and division operations. We also started our Geometry chapter, were students studied different 3D and 2D shapes, what we call edge, face, vertices and how all these elements apply in everyday life, including computer graphics. In Botany we studied about the carnivorous plants and how they trick their prey, before trapping it, while in History students expressed their opinion about the different inventions of Nikola Tesla, the Serbian-American engineer and inventor who gave to the world the Alternating Current (AC). In geography we studied the ancient continents and how the geological shape of our planet as we know it now, came to be. In R.E. we learned about the Ramadan celebration and its elements. We also started practicing our script and we will soon be ready for filming.

Reception and Prep

We had an exciting week. All the children had a lovely time on our trip to Sodo Pizza! They had opportunity to ask the owner questions about the business and how things are managed and run.



The children spent time in the kitchen and watched pizzas being prepared and cooked in the pizza oven. They were then able to taste the pizza they had seen being made. We were thoroughly spoilt and their hospitality was amazing!

Children enjoyed participating in an experiment "why do we wash our hands with soap".

They were able to watch the difference between when we do/do not use soap to wash our hands. We did a simple experiment using water, ground cinnamon and soap.



Children then wrote up the experiment in their books.

Children continued working with coins, identifying them and counting their value. Some children worked on matching money amounts with the coin equivalent.



In our 'out and about' session the children collected twigs and used

them to make shapes and patterns some of them wrote their names.

We continued to work hard making and creating things for our cafe/shop. We hope you will all be able to visit us. Please return the invite slip along with the invite so we can display them in our cafe when we open, thank you.

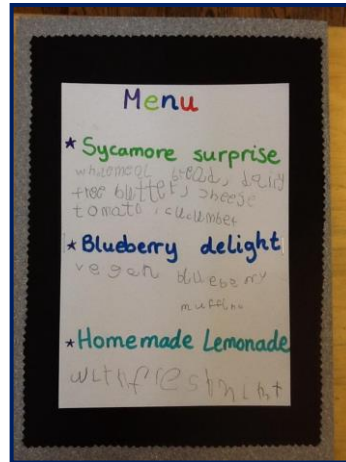
Kindergarten:

Beech:

Last week Beech class were busy finalising the final preparations for their cafe! The children learnt about superhero superfoods. We looked at healthy and unhealthy foods and enjoyed a sorting activity in the garden where children



discriminated some foods into healthy and unhealthy, using hula hoops to separate the foods. We looked at vegetables, fruits, dairy, protein and grains. Furthermore, we discussed about advertising, why and how businesses need to advertise.



We even designed our advertisement for the grand open of the cafe! On Friday, in our art session, beech class prepared the menu for the cafe.

This week we will start baking and making some food for our café.

Sycamore:

Last week Sycamore class looked at menus and different types of food that can be eaten. To further enhance their learning, they all participated in a healthy and unhealthy food race. Each child was given the opportunity to categorise healthy and unhealthy foods and place the items into two hoops. Afterwards the children demonstrated excellent communication and language skills as we discussed food pyramids and how to stay healthy.

With the beautiful weather upon us, we decided to take the opportunity to participate in some outdoor presentations. We explored the 3D geometric solids including the triangular prism, cylinder and rectangular prism. The activity was extended using the Montessori three-part cards.

As part of our 'Enterprise' topic we started to look at different types of advertising prior to designing our café advert.

This week we will continue to decorate our café as well as making some lovely food to eat.

Oak:

On Monday children learnt about 'Superhero Superfoods'. We looked at differences between healthy and unhealthy foods and ways to differentiate between them. We shared our experiences of eating fruit, vegetables, sweets, etc. We played a matching game with food pictures aimed at training our memory and reaction. On Tuesday we discussed uniforms. We looked at pictures of different types of uniforms and discussed who wears them. We learnt what



high-visibility vests are and why some people must wear them as a part of their uniforms. We also discussed waterproof and fireproof fabrics and why some uniforms need to be made out of it. On Wednesday we looked at different advertising and talked about why businesses

and products need to be advertised. We got to create our own adverts using paper, glue and natural materials during our weekly 'Out and About' session. On Thursday and Friday, we concentrated on designing and creating various types of decorations, logos, menus and equipment for our Rainbow Café, which is due to open this week! Our sound of the week was "p" and our book of the week was "Peppa Pig goes to the Moon".

Nursery

Last week, nursery children learned about recycling and composting. We created a recycling and compost bin and the children practiced how to use them correctly. At the end of the week, the children had an opportunity to discard the compost and the recycling in the bins provided in the front yard and they became aware of different colour coded bins.



Children also enjoyed creating collages out of natural materials such as dry flowers, flower petals, leaves, sticks and variety of different grasses.



For our 'out and about' session, children made pencil holders out of recycled materials that are used in the classrooms.

This week, the children will learn about pollination in more detail. We will talk about the parts of a flower, make a flower and bee craft, present the growing process of a seed through dance movements and read "The Tiny Seed" by Eric Carle.

Please help your children by finding fun ways together to identify topic of the week at home, to support their work in school.

Best wishes, WMS Admin

Important Numbers



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