

Walthamstow Montessori School

Newsletter

End of Term

We are fast approaching the end of our Summer term and our last day of term will be **this Friday 17th July** when the school will close at 12.30pm approximately! Please see below your child's class pick up time.



Nursery Classes: 12.15pm
Oak 12.25pm
Sycamore 12.35pm
Beech 12.45pm

Please arrive promptly as the children will have something special to share with you at dismissal time.

The children will NOT be needing a packed lunch on Friday but will have a small party snack in school. The teachers have lots of fun activities planned for the children's last week of term.

We will be sadly saying goodbye to some children who will be moving on and we would like to wish them all the best in their new schools. If your child is leaving us please ensure you take home any of their belongings on their last day at WMS.

We have lots of new families joining in September as well as many siblings. I know you will show them all a warm welcome.

**School resumes on Thursday
3rd September.**

Miss Florence

Is going on maternity leave shortly. We would all like to wish her all the best at this wonderful time and we look forward to sharing the news with you all once the baby arrives.



RESEARCH PROJECT

One of our WMS mums Aliya (Nadia's mum) is doing some academic research investigating how sleep changes throughout pregnancy and if that impacts women's wellbeing. She is looking for pregnant women to volunteer to help with the research by completing a short questionnaire about their sleep and wellbeing. You can help by sharing the facebook advert below or by getting in touch with Aliya to find out more: tessier2@uni.coventry.ac.uk

Public advert for the research on Facebook which has a bit more information - see link below:

https://www.facebook.com/aliya.saied.tessier/posts/10101895437716450?comment_id=10101897951783240&reply_comment_id=10101897978903890-1f_id=1594203003531882-1f_t=feed_comment

Class Information

Elementary & Reception

Reception and Elementary children have been working well on their reading comprehension.

We have been continuing our work on adjectives and prepositions in our stories.

In maths we have looked at word maths problems. Word problems are one of the first ways we see applied maths. The children have been working on their word problems in groups with excellent results.

Reception and Elementary school children have also been finishing off their dream catcher during our DT session.

Lastly, on Friday reception children held a small assembly in which they shared their feelings about what made them feel happy and sad whilst Elementary children were filming the last part of their movie.

Beech

Beech class had a very busy week! We talked a lot about our feelings and about the characters of the seven dwarfs. Within our work on Snow White we looked at the life cycle of an apple. We tried apple printing, we cut and prepared our apples for snack time too. The children made 'magic mirrors', looked at reflection and healthy and unhealthy food choices. We looked at our reflection and things that reflect.

We learnt the song 'Happy Sun High' which we preformed for our grown ups on Thursday afternoon.

We enjoyed our tennis lesson last week and our skills have improved a lot.

The children enjoyed a lesson in our geography corner, they took turns to place the continents on a world puzzle.



Sycamore

Last week Sycamore Class enjoyed the tale of Snow White. For our Zoom session on Monday we made our own magic mirrors. 'Mirror Mirror on the wall who is the fairest of them all.'

We also enjoyed apple printing after talking about the life cycle of an apple tree and naming the parts of the apple.



For snack on Wednesday the children cut their own snack apples whilst we talked about healthy and unhealthy foods.

The children also talked about emotions and how we were all feeling along with the danger of talking to strangers. We finished the week off by looking at ourselves in a mirror and drawing our own portrait.

For the last week of term, 'The Magic Porridge Pot' is our tale.



Oak Class

Last week Oak class enjoyed the story of, 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs'. We discussed what characteristics all the dwarfs have and what makes them different from each other.

During our math lessons the children practiced their counting skills from 1 to 10 and they focused on, '1 more' or '1 less' using different materials and pictures. We also did fingerprint counting for our apple trees.

On Friday, we used our knowledge of Symmetry and made fabulous Butterflies.



Last week we worked with sound and letter, 's' and we practiced tracing or writing the letter using our writing books.

We have also learnt about the life cycle of an apple tree and discussed healthy eating and identified foods that were healthy and unhealthy.

On Wednesday we prepared a healthy snack by slicing an apple ourselves and improving our knife-cutting skills.



During the week we discussed how to look after ourselves:

1. We need to eat a balanced diet.
2. Doing exercise helps our bones and muscles to grow strong.
3. We need to look after our personal hygiene.
4. We need to wear different types of clothes depending on the weather.
5. We need to talk to our family, teachers or friends how we are feeling and about our emotions.

On Friday we talked about: What is a stranger? The danger of talking to strangers and how to keep safe around strangers.



Nursery:

Last week, nursery children had fun playing various outdoor games. During our zoom session children created tennis rackets out of paper plates and a balloon for a ball. Children continued the fun by engaging in a car wash activity and that developed into washing the entire apparatus in the garden. Children had fun following a map in order to find the hidden treasure.

Our shop in the garden was turned into a library and the children enjoyed imaginative role play, borrowing books from the library and returning them into the designated box.





The week finished by playing various parachute games of which the favourite was lifting the parachute high up and hiding underneath it.

This week's theme was inspired by the children that had so much fun pretending they are pirates and searching for the hidden treasure. We will be creating the entire pirate outfit so we are ready for our pirate party which will be filled with many pirate games and songs. It is our last week before summer holidays and we will make sure that is full of fun and joy! Ahoy Pirates!



*Zoom Artwork
Spring/Summer Term*

Best wishes, WMS Admin
Important Numbers



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