

# Walthamstow Montessori School

## Our Weekly News

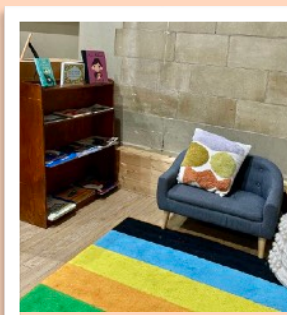


### A world of books at WMS.

We want every child to fall in love with books and reading. So you will find a book corner in every classroom at WMS.

This means there is a cosy, fun reading space in each classroom that helps the children enjoy reading more. It sparks their imagination, improves their language skills and lets them be creative through activities such as storytelling and playing with puppets.

Reading corners help the children feel calm, explore new ideas and develop a love of reading.



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#### WMS NEWSLETTER

Our weekly newsletter is sent out every Monday. Look out for it in your inbox; it will keep you up to date with all things WMS!

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#### EASTER BREAK

School will close for Easter on Fri 4th April at 12.30pm, there will be no Tea Timers on that day. WMS will re-open on Wed 23rd April.

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#### SUMMER INVOICES

will be issued on the 17th March. The 1st instalment will be due on March 24th, the 2nd on April 24th and the third on May 24th.

#### School



#### Photograph Day.

We have confirmed dates for our school photographs this year. Penrhyn's Photograph Day will be on the 7th May and Brookcroft's on the 15th May. More information will be emailed to you very soon. Please do not worry, arrangements will be made for all the children to have their photograph taken, even if it is not their usual school day. Your child must have black plimsols and a WMS smock to have their photo taken. Please contact the school office if you require a new smock and we will order one for you.

#### Parent/ Teacher Meetings.

We will be holding parent & teacher meetings on Monday 17th March to enable you to chat about your child's progress. Details on how to book a slot will be emailed to you soon.



### Our last week before half-term at WMS.

The children enjoyed our Wellbeing Day. They joined in yoga sessions and learned a few breathing exercises and yoga movements. They lay down whilst listening to peaceful music and enjoyed looking at colours and shapes through a piece of green organza fabric. Later, they loved having cool cucumber slices placed on their eyes for added relaxation and a few giggles! The children prepared their own snacks too by making healthy and delicious fruit kebabs.

On the Friday, Valentine's Day, we encouraged the children to think and chat about the loved ones in their lives. They took part in various art activities to make special cards for them. Some did hand printing and printing with wooden heart stamps and metal heart cutters. Others made collages with tissue paper and fabric rose petals.

We continued our weather topic and focused on rain. The children discussed how clouds are formed; we looked at different cloud patterns and did a few experiments. We also talked about how too much rain can be dangerous and cause flooding. Our sound of the week was 'r for rain'.

### Need to contact us?

Here are all the important details you need:

*To contact the office, dial:*  
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*Or email:*  
[office@walthamstowmontessori.com](mailto:office@walthamstowmontessori.com)

*Don't forget to follow us on Instagram too and look out for regular posts of what we are doing.*  
(@walthamstowmontessori)

Download a 'Wow Moment' form



### Book of The Week.

'The Very Long Sleep' by Polly Noakes. A lovely story to support our topic on hibernation. Furry friends decide to build a forest home and live together. But when winter comes and his friends go to sleep, Fox wonders if they will ever wake up. The publishers 'Child's Play' have the book and ideas on how to follow up the story with fun activities.



### Ballet and Art Afternoon.

On Monday 31st March, Children's House Brookcroft will be inviting parents to come and watch a ballet lesson at 2pm. Afterwards, parents will also be able to tour the children's 'Art Gallery'. Further info will be sent nearer the time.

Teddy from Elm Class and Otis from Seedlings were our happy Flower Monitors before the half-