

# Walthamstow Montessori School

## Our Weekly News



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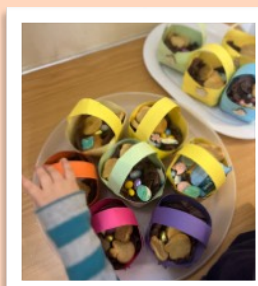
## Easter Holiday Club.

The children had lots of fun at Holiday Club this Easter.

We had some lovely weather and set the lunch tables outside a few times, so we could have a picnic in the garden.

We planted some herbs and flowers in the garden too. The children also enjoyed lots of Easter crafts, garden games, Easter egg hunts and read Easter stories.

Our next Holiday Club will run in the summer.



### Our New Topic.

Our new topic this term is Transport. We have planned lots of exciting activities and we will be reading lots of transport books too!



### Chicken Pox.

We have several cases of chicken pox at school. Please don't forget to notify us if your child develops it. You can find lots of information on the [NHS website](https://www.nhs.uk).

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### SUN SAFETY

Every child must have a sunhat at school, which is clearly named. Sun cream will be applied at school.

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### SMOCKS

Please remember that each child must have a smock and plimsols at school every day.

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### PARKING

Thank you for always parking thoughtfully when you drop off and pick up. It is essential that you park safely, legally and respectfully.

### Shaking Hands.

Our Montessori daily routine includes greeting the children and saying goodbye at the end of the day. We shake hands with each child at these times and this is an important and valued custom.



Please note that we have had to adjust drop off and collection times for all classes after the accident; please refer to the email we have sent you to find these.



### Book of The Week.

'The Train Ride' by June Crebbin. This lovely rhythmic story follows a little girl and her mother who board the train in town and set off on a journey through the countryside.



### Bedding Bag.

Please remember to bring your child's bedding bag and its freshly washed contents to school on their first day back this week.



### Notice.

Please remember that if your child will not be returning to WMS in September, you must give notice to the office by this Friday, the 25th April 2025. Thank you very much.

### Accident Update.

As many of you know, an accident involving a car occurred at our Penrhyn building during the second day of our Easter holiday club. A car drove across the road, through our established hedge and railings, and into the building, causing significant damage, both inside and out. Thankfully, the police and a structural engineer responded quickly.

We cancelled holiday club for one day and worked late into the night to secure and prepare the building to reopen the next day. The damaged areas are now boarded up, and it has been established that the building is safe. As you will see when you arrive, there is boarding at the front and sides to close in the area that is damaged. There is also boarding inside the building. We have reorganised Seedlings class to create a welcoming space despite some changes.

Repairs will take time and include major structural work, heating and electrics work, and redecoration. Outside, we will need new posts, railings and a new hedge. Fortunately, our regular safety measures prevented more severe damage. The car driver's insurer is now handling the matter.

A new fire escape is in place on the right-hand side of the building. Please keep it clear and park all buggies & cooters only on the left hand side, as marked, after folding them. A skip outside the garages is temporarily affecting staff parking, but we hope to have it removed soon.

This has been a challenging time, but the team's positivity and dedication mean we're ready to welcome the children back. Thank you for your incredible support too, it means a great deal to us.