

# Walthamstow Montessori School

## Our Weekly News



### Festive Concerts.

We will be holding our festive concerts at the end of term. The children will begin rehearsing the songs they are learning this week; the theme this year is based on a children's Christmas musical called Snowman At Sunset. We will of course send you dates and details about how you can attend the concerts very soon.

## Diwali celebrations at WMS.

Before half-term, we enjoyed celebrating Diwali at WMS.

Miss Kenny and Miss Thilo wore beautiful sarees and showed the children how to do some traditional dancing.

All classes enjoyed reading books about Diwali traditions and finding India on our maps. They used colourful tessellations to create rangoli patterns and also made cards and clay diyas to take home, which they decorated with gems and sequins.

What a wonderful week of learning we had!



### WMS Tea Towels

We are now taking tea towel orders. The children have all drawn self portraits and their teachers too! They do make a lovely keepsake, but we only ever order a limited amount.

We have sent you an email with an order form attached. Do let us know asap if you haven't received yours and want to order some. They cost £7 each, or £26 for 4.

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### EVERYWHERE BEARS

Our Everywhere Bears are looking forward to weekly adventures with the children, before coming back on a Monday to share their news!

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### NOVEMBER'S POLICY

Our Policy of The Month is our Medicine Policy, detailing when and how we can administer medication. [Find it on our website here.](#)

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### THIS WEEK'S QUOTE

"Lovely school! Great place for your child to become the best version of themselves."  
A recent WMS parent.



**Before half-term at WMS.**

We learned about Halloween and Diwali. The children collected leaves to create collages and Seedlings Class made a bright sun for their classroom board!

We explored the life cycle of a pumpkin; we sang a new song and painted and carved pumpkins, exploring the seeds, which we used to make squidgy sensory bags.

We read lots of books and our Book of the Week, 'A Pumpkin Who Was Afraid of the Dark', was a firm favourite. Everyone received their half-term homework, and all the teachers are excited to see the children's creative work!

At Brookcroft, the children baked oat and raisin cookies, had PE with Miss Brigit, and enjoyed hot chocolate after Out and About. Honore was the flower monitor, and we celebrated Evie's 4th birthday.

We said a fond goodbye to Arius in Elm Class and Umar in Oak Class; we wish them all the best in their new schools. Our Autumn Holiday Club was a lot of fun and filled with seasonal activities! Look out for our Christmas Holiday Club dates; they will be released very soon!



**Need to contact us?**

Here are all the important details you need:

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Don't forget to follow us on Instagram too and look out for regular posts of what we are doing.  
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Download a 'Wow Moment' form [here!](#)

Find our Books of the Week [here!](#)

**Book of the Week.**

All classes this week will be reading 'FunnyBones' by Janet and Allan Ahlberg. A playful story with lots of rhythmic language.



**Staff News.**

We are very excited that Miss Brigit joined the WMS team just before half-term. She brings with her many years of working in a primary school and a passion for Forest School. She is working her magic in both gardens and has begun organising the sheds at Penrhyn. Miss Lorna has bought lots of new resources and Miss Brigit is training staff and planning many exciting activities. She will also start leading regular yoga and P.E sessions with the children very soon.



**Wow Moment.**

Emma's mum recently shared a 'Wow Moment'. Emma used autumn leaves to decorate 2 faces, one of her aunt Isa and one of her daddy. She decided to cut the leaves to create her daddy's hair. She was so proud of doing this by herself and wanted to share her news with her teachers!

