

Walthamstow Montessori School

Our Weekly News



Book Donations.

Many of you kindly donated new books to celebrate the school's 25th birthday. Every week, we plan to feature two of them in the newsletter.

This week, we are reading 'Marie Curie' by Little People, Big Dreams, donated by Toby's family. And 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers, donated by Teddy W's family. Thank you all so much.

A Note from Miss Lorna.

This week, temperatures are due to continue rising, and we are taking many precautions to ensure the children's wellbeing and safety in this heatwave.

We are setting up large gazebos in the garden at Penrhyn Avenue to provide the children and staff with as much shade as possible. The garden at our Brookscroft site is already very shady. There will be plenty of water activities and paddling pools for the children to play in. Please send them into school with a little towel. The children who sleep at school will be in the main hall, as this is cooler, and we will set up several fans in there. Please send lighter bedding this week, such as a cotton sheet. We have ordered an ice cube maker; there will be plenty of cold water for the children to drink throughout the day. We also have lots of suncream; please remember to send your child to school with a named sunhat, and ensure your child has no extra layers underneath their smock, so they can keep cool.

It is very much our intention to keep WMS open in this heatwave. However, we will be monitoring temperatures carefully and following the local authority's guidance if they advise us to close. Please read our 'Hot Weather Policy' here.



Holiday Club.

Our Summer Holiday Club will run for 3 weeks, from Monday 20th July, from 8am to 17.45.

Our days will be fun and relaxed, and filled with a range of activities, including water play, baking and art and craft activities.

We still have some availability. If you would like to book some days, don't delay and email the office before Friday to secure your space.

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SCHOOL TRIPS

Seedlings Class will go on their trip to Lloyd Park on Thursday this week. Brookscroft Children's House will go on the 2nd July.

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END OF TERM

We would like to remind you that the summer term will end on Friday 17th July at 17.45. Our Summer Holiday Club will run from Monday 20th July to Friday 7th Aug.

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FIRE DRILLS

Both of our sites had a fire drill last week. Everyone evacuated the buildings quickly and the children behaved beautifully.



Last week at WMS.

Seedlings Class enjoyed making ladybird cookies and using pipettes to add food colouring to oil, water and milk to cause colourful reactions. The children also created handprint artwork inspired by the story 'So Much', making special Father's Day keepsakes.

Acorn Class continued to explore ladybirds. They also celebrated King Charles' Official Birthday, learned a new song for Father's Day and looked for objects around the classroom beginning with "g".

Oak Class enjoyed a shape hunt and explored diamonds through art and craft activities. They also explored the 'g' sound during a sound hunt, and practised counting and recognising the number 8. They explored feelings and emotions with discussions about giving and receiving, while preparing thoughtful Father's Day cards and gifts.

Elm Class enjoyed reading the Everywhere Bear Book and creating some lovely art for Father's Day. They also continued to develop their fine motor skills with activities such as pegging.

At Children's House Brookscroft, the children learned fascinating facts about ladybirds and how they help our gardens. They also explored how many aphids a ladybird can eat in a day and throughout its lifetime by using the Montessori Golden Beads to develop their maths skills. They created their own minibeasts with clay and natural materials and prepared Father's Day cards and gifts. In the Sycamore Room, the children enjoyed flower arranging, tea preparation, and practical maths activities, strengthening their counting skills to 100.



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Books of the Week.

This week, all classes will be reading 'Little Bee' by Autumn Publishing, an illustrative book about the life cycle of a bee.



Lilla Vi.

One of our new mums, Ellie, worked in fashion for many years and saw a gap in sustainable fashion for children and recycling children's clothes. She started her own pre-loved business, with strong local community links. Check out her website by clicking [here](#).



Ballet.

Please note that due to unforeseen circumstances, there will be no parent viewing ballet lesson on Monday 13th July.



Acorn Class' Trip to Lloyd Park.

Last week, Acorn Class enjoyed walking to Lloyd Park, where they went on lots of exciting bug and minibeast hunts and had a picnic snack!



Father's Day Breakfast at WMS.

We had such a lot of fun hosting many of you last Friday. We know the children enjoyed showing you their favourite things at school and singing a special song.

