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**We would like to congratulate Maria Colwell for kindly taking the Deputy Manager and SENCO role at Montessori Nursery covering maternity leave of Nicola and Cheryl.**

In Oak class this week the children have been busy finding bugs and insects at forest school. They were measuring and comparing different bug sizes and exploring the way they look and move! Going on a bug hunt provides a fantastic focus for learning within all areas of the EYFS and can be used to identify the characteristics of effective learning, as it involves playing and exploring, active learning, creating and thinking critically. They have been practising numbers, by counting the legs on the bugs and recognising colours while talking about the characteristics of each bug, this helps to build knowledge and support to learn about new things. Our runner beans are growing very fast, please feel free to come and have a look in our allotment situated in Forest School.

The children have been very interested in mark making and are looking at how letters are formed. Initially from toddlers to preschool age, children take great pleasure from this physical activity of mark making, but as they develop, they realise that they can control their marks and their creativity starts to thrive.

Also we are encouraging children to talk about School and what class and school they will be attending. This is a very exciting time and also scary too!! For both child and parents. We have been supporting children for this move hope this will support a smooth transition to school. Also we are promoting positive behaviour and encouraging children to be more caring and gentle towards each other. Remembering to use please and thank you. One of the most important factors in effective behaviour management is having a consistent approach with the children. So please encourage children at home too to say please and thank you as I am sure you do and be sensitive to others. I wish you all a very happy and sunny weekend ahead and look forward to seeing you on Monday. Many thanks for all your support and if there is anything you would like to discuss please contact myself or the Montessori Nursery team.

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**Welcome to another edition of Friday News.**

Firstly we would like to say a very special thank you for attending our Leaver’s party. Children were very happy, proud and confident to show their performance in front of their parents. I am still getting to know all the parents and It has been lovely to meet most of the parents at party. I Hope you all have enjoyed the party too.

We will have childcare places available for baby room to five years old from September 2019 here at Walton Montessori Nursery. You may know somebody who would like a place here, if so please ask them to contact myself or Maria for a registration pack.

**Our Mission is:**To ensure that every child feels cared for, is stimulated and nurtured to be the best they can, encouraging children to enjoy their time at pre-school and learn something new constantly whilst giving parents peace of mind that their children are safe, stimulated and developing when in our care.