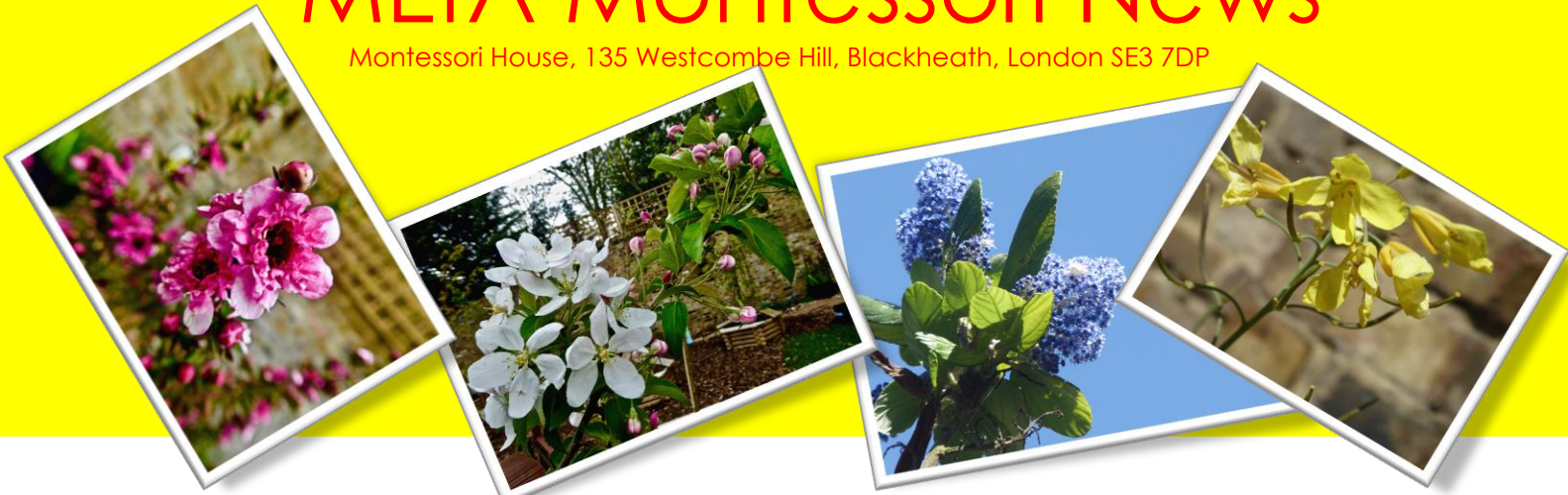


MEfA Montessori News

Montessori House, 135 Westcombe Hill, Blackheath, London SE3 7DP



April 2020 Newsletter

Dear MEfA Montessori Families and Friends,

I hope that you are all safe and well.

My thoughts follow on from our Easter Newsletter when I suggested that you do not try too much to do 'homeschooling', because a few months out of children's usual routine does not have an overall negative impact on their education and overall life chances.

Some of our families are enjoying focusing together on practical everyday life skills: planning, preparing and making – such as cooking, gardening, carpentry, crafts, etc.

Opting out of remote or homeschooling and opting into play is also an option all parents can choose.

You can choose to use this special time to allow your child/ren to engage in the most cost-effective, self-directed, authentic form of learning there is – and that is PLAY!

Children should be encouraged to seize this opportunity to engage in activities which bring them joy and which foster deep engagement.

All children need to play is love and encouragement from adults, time, space and the freedom to let their imagination lead.

Please remember that protecting your child's wellbeing comes first.

I hope you will love these beautiful photos of our Forest School as Spring unfurls in April.

Wendy

P.S. Our froglets now have back legs and are thriving in our pond!

Wendy Fidler, MEfA Academic Director/Founding Trustee
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“Many of our greatest thinkers locate their capacity for original and profound thought in their imaginative abilities, first developed through creative play in early childhood.”

Sharma Olfman, Psychology Professor
Point Park University



Montessori School 2 - 9 years – also homeschool, flexischool

Montessori School classes: **Tuesday** and **Wednesdays** 9:30 -11:30
and **Thursday** 13:00 - 15:00



Baby Montessori 0-15 months / NEW! Toddler Montessori 15-36 months

Baby Montessori **Wednesdays** 13:30 – 14:30

Toddler Montessori **Thursdays** 09:30-10:30



NEW! Outdoor Forest School

We have two Montessori Forest School/Well-being Classes:
Tuesdays from 13:30 – 14:30 and **Thursdays** from 11:00 -12:00

Montessori After School 4 – 11 years

We have two Montessori After School Groups each week - On **Tuesdays** the **Montessori Moles After-school Nurture Group** is for children who are struggling to make the most of their schooling because of difficulties associated with autism or other special needs. On **Thursdays** the **Montessori Enrichment Group** is for children who have graduated from MEfA Montessori and wish to continue their Montessori journey with us!

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