

Montessori
Child Development
Center

NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday-Friday, April 1-5
Elementary Testing Week

Friday, April 5
Spring Pictures

Monday April 8-12
Week of the Young Child

- Monday – Parade
- Tuesday- I am a Famous Person
- Wednesday- Wacky Wednesday
- Thursday- Field Day
- Friday- Spring Fest

Mon – Fri, April 15-19 – Spring Break (No School)

Monday, April 22 – Earth Day

Tuesday, April 30
St. Jude Trike- a-thon.
Trike-a-thon forms due.

MONTESSORI WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD

Monday, APRIL 8 –Parade

Tuesday, April 9- Famous Person Day- Guess who am I? Dress up as a famous person for the day...Albert Einstein, Bill Gates, Queen Elizabeth !!, Audrey Hepburn, Leonardo da Vinci, Walt Disney, etc.. (Please do not dress up as a princess or super hero or fictional characters). Class show and tell at 10:00 am.

Wednesday, April 10- Wacky Wednesday –Dress like Dr. Seuss' book, Wacky Wednesday. Mismatched clothes, shoes, ribbons on hair, inside out shirts, etc, Be creative and fun

Thursday, April 11- Field Day Wear your favorite sport team or team color and get ready to play out in the big field. We will be playing tennis, soccer, giant parachute, obstacles, sack race, and many more. Volunteers are welcome to cheer and play with the kids. Games start at 10:00 am.

Friday, April 12 – We will be hunting for paper eggs and playing relays.

*We-survived-our-test-week Pajama and Movie Day for Elementary class only.

LEARNING TO RIDE. LEARNING TO GIVE.

We are excited to announce that we are once again participating in the St. Jude Trike- A- Thon on Tuesday, April 30.

Trike-A-Thon is a wonderful program that teaches children how to ride their bikes and tricycles safely. The older children will be riding their trikes and bikes. For preschool and toddlers, we will be doing a walk/jog-a-thon. There will be numerous fun activities your child will learn and enjoy.

All proceeds will go to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. As we all know, the hospital doesn't charge a single penny to all families and operates from all the generous donations they receive. You can also set your child's fundraising page at stjude.org/trike. A direct link can also be found on our website's Parents' Corner.

SPRING PICTURES

Our spring picture day will be on Friday, April 5 from 8 am to 11 am. Permission forms were sent home last week. Please fill it and turn it in by Wednesday, April 3.

Please bring extra clothes for your child to change after pictures. This is also a great time for students who missed having their school pictures taken during the fall. For those students, we can use these pictures for the yearbook

2019-2020 REGISTRATION FORMS

Please return your priority registration forms for the next school year. Open registration will start on April 8.

Our toddler class has a waitlist for the next school year. If you would like your child to reserve a spot, please fill out a registration form to guarantee a spot. You do not need to pay the registration fee to be on the waitlist.

YEARBOOK

Our school yearbook is a collection of pictures from all the classes and events of 2018-2019. It's a wonderful remembrance to keep of your child's time here at MCDC. We are still taking orders. It's still not too late to order one. Yearbooks are \$25 each. We have yearbook samples in the office, if you would like to see what it looks like.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

2 YEARS OLD

TORI 4/3

KATHERINE 4/18

3 YEARS OLD

DELUCA 4/3

DREW 4/16

4 YEARS OLD

RODRIGO 4/9

ELIZABETH 4/11

6 YEARS OLD

ALICIA 4/11



SPRING FEST

We will have our Spring Fest on Friday, April 12. There will be fun, food, and games. We will not be collecting eggs for our egg hunt. Instead, we will provide paper mache eggs and eggs we saved from last year. If you already bought some eggs, you may bring it to school. Our school is now a part of an ocean conservation program and that's one of the reasons why we try to limit single use plastics.

Elementary students will have a special pajama day party. Information



"Being considerate of others will take your children further in life than any college degree."

Marian Wright Edelman

MONTESSORI Q & A

Excerpt from Manners, Naturally by Donohue Shortridge

Correcting is not the same as modeling.

Like the rest of us, children are easily shamed. If a father at the market had said, "Watch out, son, you're in that lady's way," the boy would have felt judgement, rather than learning what he should have done. Thus, even if we are annoyed or embarrassed by our young child's behavior, our exasperation is not the lesson- there is another way. Trust that the conduct is not malicious but likely stems from the child not knowing what to do. Then demonstrate what we want our child to learn. Dad didn't need to say anything further to his 4-year old son; the boy absorbed the lesson. And if Dad does the same thing the next time and the next, the lesson will be reinforced.

Parents are the most potent teachers of social norms. What we show our children, they will do. Even so, for our lessons to adhere, we must be consistent and positive. And most important, we must model the behavior we want to instill in our children.