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Holiday Wishes

From all of the teachers at MCDC, we wish your families a wonderful holiday season. May this season bring peace and joy!

Merry Christmas!

Happy Hanukkah!

Holiday Book Fair

The best gift your child could open this holiday is a book!

The book fair is from November 30 to December 4. MCDC receives Scholastic points for every book you purchase. We are saving points towards new books in our classrooms. We have been able to earn points for a smartboard, smart document camera, intelliscanner, and lots of books for our library. Thank you for your continued support.

We are accepting book donations for the children of Ronald McDonald House Holiday Toy Drive.



Adapted from the play by
J.M. Barrie

December to Remember

It's the most wonderful time of the year. As you may have already noticed, preparations for the holiday season have started. We have many wonderful things planned this December. Be sure to mark your calendar for our December activities so you won't miss a thing.

Save the Date!

Show Date
Monday, 14th
6:00 p.m. – 8:00
p.m.
School closes at
12:30. p.m.

**Pajama Day &
Movie Day**
Friday, 18th
All day pajamas
Breakfast at
school

Winter Break
Dec. 21 – Jan 1
School resumes on
Monday, January
4, 2016

Annual Holiday Show

MCDC is proud to present "Peter Pan" on Monday, December 14 at 6:00 p.m. at the Carden Conservatory Auditorium. Due to limited capacity in the auditorium, each student will receive 2 tickets to the show. Please RSVP in your child's classroom. Tickets will be distributed by Thursday, December 10. DVDs will be available to order.

All students will be performing on stage and each classroom will have a specific attire to wear.

Toddlers – Snowflakes

Girls: all white (dress or top and skirt)

Boys: white top and black pants

Ms. Monique's Class and Ms. Haidee's Class – "Lost Boys" –



Girls: coat, long sleeved-shirts, vests, tights, boots or any black or brown shoes, any furry coats

Boys: pants (brown or black), coat, hat, vests, suits with pants folded, long socks, messy hair

Colors: brown, black, tan, green or any muted color. Be creative!

Ms. Nikki's Class –



Girls: White top and black or any color tights. Hair curled or straight; flowers on hair, glitter on face (optional). We are making the mermaid tails, so don't worry. Be creative!

Boys: pirate outfit or plain long sleeved shirt, vest or coat, hat or beanie, eye patch, muted colored pants folded at the calf, long socks, dark shoes. Be creative!

Volunteers needed to make mermaid tails. Please see Ms. Cyndi.

Elementary – see teacher for specific attire

Pajama Party and Breakfast

Our December would not be complete without a pajama party. It is the one day of the year when parents can send their child off to school right out of bed in his or her pajamas. Breakfast will be served at school. Breakfast potluck will be posted in each classroom. Pizza lunch will also be available to order. We will watch a movie, cuddle up with friends, sip hot chocolate, and enjoy delicious popcorn. Their favorite stuff toys, fluffy slippers, and furry robes are welcome. Please bring shoes for playtime.

Please let your child's teacher know if you have a movie projector or movies we can borrow. Parent volunteers are welcome to join us for breakfast.

Book and Toy Drive

MCDC is hosting a book and toy drive for our friends at Orange County Ronald McDonald House Toy Drive. Books and toys will be handed to children during Christmas. New and unwrapped toys and brand new books are needed by Friday, December 11.

Ronald McDonald House provides housing and extra support for families whose children are seriously ill and are undergoing medical treatment in Orange County hospitals.

Ms. Laura's Dance Group

For students enrolled in Ms. Laura's Dance Group, a holiday dance performance is scheduled on Wednesday, December 16. A form with ticket information, costumes, and time was given to your child. Should you have any questions about the performance, please call or see Ms. Laura.

Food Donations

Thank you so much for donating food items and gift cards to the Orangewood Foundation. They were very excited to receive food items for Thanksgiving. Some elementary students had a great opportunity of helping deliver the baskets, tour the facility, meet with Orangewood's program director, and learn about how their donations benefit many of the youth and families in need. We delivered 7 Thanksgiving dinners and \$125 grocery store gift cards. We are very grateful for your generous donations.



AM and PM Daycare Reminder

All our friends are welcome to join us for the morning and afternoon daycare time. To ensure that the school maintains proper student-teacher ratio, students must be signed up in advance to be able to join the daycare group. Parents may add morning daycare, 7 am – 9 am or afternoon daycare 3 p.m – 6 p.m. Day care fee applies for morning or afternoon day care.

If you should need last-minute or temporary daycare, please inform the office so we can arrange teachers to come in to supervise daycare. It is important that children come in to school on their scheduled time to avoid student-teacher ratio discrepancies.

For students who are not scheduled during the morning daycare and arrive before 8:45 a.m., the school reserves the right to ask parents to wait until the child's schedule time before drop off in the morning.

For students who are not scheduled in the afternoon daycare and stay after 3:15 p.m., the school will charge parents for the extended time. If your child is in an afterschool program and exceeds the 3:15 p.m. grace time, parents are expected to pick up as soon as the afterschool class has ended to avoid additional fees.



Thank you to all our
MCDC Families!

We had a wonderful Thanksgiving Feast and the children enjoyed the food, stories, and crafts. Thank you to all our parent volunteers and to the many families who made this meal very special for the children.



My Favorite Things

For parents wondering what the teachers might like for Christmas, their "Favorite Things" list is available in the office.

The list is located next to the check in and out computer in the office.

Wishing everyone
Happy Holidays
and a Prosperous
New Year!



Staff

Ms. Annie 12/26

2 years old

Max 12/7
Axel 12/9
Xander 12/16

3 years old

Bailey 12/13
Rayan 12/13

4 years old

Leo 12/11
Leia 12/16

6 years old

Andre 12/30

9 years old

Bryce 12/29