

Montessori Child Development Center

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



OCTOBER FESTIVITIES

We have a calendar month full of FUN this October. Be sure to mark your calendar for these important events. We have our Parent-Teacher Conference, Pumpkin Patch, International Day Parade, and Halloween Costume Parade. Elementary students will have field trips. Please check with Ms. Anna or with Ms. Ann for schedule and permission slips.

Congratulations to all our students for a fantastic first month of school. They are finally settled in to the new school year and have a whole year of learning, friendships, and fun to look forward to.

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Back to School Night. We hope you gathered some valuable information about the Montessori classroom.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE

Parent conference is scheduled for Monday, October 12th from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Sign-ups are available in the classrooms. Phone conferences are available if you are unable to make it to the face-to-face conference.

This is a great opportunity for you to meet your child's teacher, to discuss your child's current progress, and to make academic goals.

School will not be in session. Daycare is available for the conference time only.

Be sure to sign up for the conference and daycare.

**SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON
MONDAY, OCTOBER 12
FOR PARENT TEACHER
CONFERENCE**



DATES TO REMEMBER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

PUMPKIN PATCH

10:00 A.M.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE

SCHOOL CLOSED

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

UNITED NATIONS PARADE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARADE

10:00 A.M.





CLASS CELEBRATIONS

We are still looking for some volunteers to be the class mom or dad. If you are interested in organizing class events, please talk to your child's teacher.

MCDC is going GREEN

In cooperation with 5Gyres.com, MCDC plans to go green by reducing the amount of disposable items we use on a daily basis. Help us by bringing your child's own non-disposable spoon, fork, cloth napkin, cloth placemat, and water bottle. Please label your child's lunch items. These will be taken home every day.

Starting in November, we will be eliminating disposable utensils, napkins, and cups. Please encourage your child to use their own utensils.

PUMPKIN PATCH



Picking, decorating, and pumpkin tasting is what our pumpkin patch is all about.

Our pumpkin patch will be on Friday, October 9 in the morning. The students will be taking home their pumpkins and will need mom and dad's help to decorate it. Bring it back to school by Monday, October 19 for a pumpkin show and tell. Be creative and have fun!

THANK YOU!

LUKE GORDON raised \$165 from recycling plastic bottles and cans from school. We were able to buy chairs for our hangout lounge and bags of soil for our garden. Great job Luke! Thank you to all who donated their plastic disposable water bottles, glass bottles, and aluminum cans.

3 YEARS OLD

- LIAM 10/6
- MAYA B. 10/12
- KYLE 10/27



7 YEARS OLD

- RIVER 10/7
- ANDRE 10/28

4 YEARS OLD

- FIN 10/8

6 YEARS OLD

- ELIJAH 10/10
- HADLEY 10/15
- HILDA 10/15
- LADY MAY 10/18
- ARCHER 10/29

8 YEARS OLD

- TREVOR 10/5
- ELIZABETH 10/24

STAFF

- MS. MONIQUE 10/24

Calling All Artists!

If you have a knack for painting sceneries and is interested in helping Ms. Cyndi paint sceneries for our next musical this year, then please let her know.



Trick Or Treat



Animals, community helpers, famous scientists, authors, celebrities, superheroes, princesses, and many more will be parading around and looking for treats on Friday, October 30st at 10:00 a.m. Come and join us to watch the cutest, fanciest, wackiest, and funniest costumes.

But not without any exceptions...guns, weapons, swords, or knives, scary or offensive costumes will not be allowed. **NO CANDIES** please for our healthy treaters. Instead, grab a bag of pretzels, a fruit or two, a box of goldfish, a sticker or a hand-drawn bat will do. We encourage parents to NOT buy toys for they end up in the dump (a scary thing that happens during Halloween); instead, children can draw or create their own treats (non-food items), like bats or pumpkins for their classmates. But do remember, no chokeable items or treats for our littlest treaters. So banish the ones that you are not allowed to bring.

Do bring a bag to store your child's costume after the parade. Do label all parts and pieces. Do bring an extra set of clothes. Do bring your camera. And, be sure to dress up as well. Snack sign up will be posted in each classroom.

International Day

Parade

"It is not enough to teach children how to read, write and count. Education has to cultivate mutual respect for others and the world in which we live, and help people forge more just, inclusive and peaceful societies," UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon.

MCDC will hold its third annual International Day Peace Parade on Friday, October 23 at 10:00 a.m.

Children are encouraged to wear national costumes from different countries. We will sing songs about peace and make projects to promote peace in the world. We will also celebrate by tasting foods from around the world. Please sign up for an international food for each class.



NO TOYS TO SCHOOL

Bringing toys to school is not allowed. Toys can be a distraction to the class, can get lost or broken. The school has plenty of toys to play with.

For nappers, a small stuffed toy is allowed and will be used for nap time only.

Please encourage your child to leave his or her toys in at home or in the car

CLASSROOM REQUESTS:

It's that time of the year again when sniffles and runny noses are common. Please bring a box of tissues for your child.

Room 2: Please bring aluminum cans-washed and dried.

Toddlers: Looking for donations of miniature garden toys (non-chokeable)

*We LOVE to
UPCYCLE!*

*Paper grocery
bags are needed
for Halloween
bag projects.
Drop off in the
office.*

*If you have any
items at home
you would like to
donate to
decorate our
bags, please let
us know.*

JOYFUL GARDEN

Help us make our garden flourish. Each class is assigned a box and they are in charge of growing a certain crop. We are asking for donations for soil and succulents for our garden. Thank you!

FUNDRAISERS

Last year we had ACs installed in our classrooms. We are very grateful that we did that since we had a scorching summer. So far, we raised \$1663 from last year's fundraising and still short \$2337 for the cost of our AC units. This year we are hoping to raise enough to cover the cost. More information will be sent home in the next few weeks.

NAP BEDDING

For children who nap, please make sure that your child has a fitted crib sheet that fits the nap mats (standard crib size). Please do not bring full sized comforters or pillows since we do not have enough storage space. All nap bedding, including back pack nap sets, should be placed in a pillow case. Please label all nap bedding. Thank you.

PIZZA FRIDAY

Parents have an option to purchase pizza, juice, and fruit for lunch on Fridays for \$5.00.

A sign-up sheet is located in each classroom. If your child does not bring a lunch on Friday, he/she will automatically get pizza. A bill for your pizza order for the month will be placed in your child's cubby.