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# Montessori

## CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

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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 December 1-5. MCDC receives Scholastic points for every book you purchase. We are saving points towards new books in our classrooms.

Stocking stuffers are available, as well.



### 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, 15th**  
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
School closes at 12:30. p.m.

**Pajama Day & Movie Day**  
**Friday, 19th**  
All day pajamas  
Breakfast at school

**Winter Break**  
**Dec. 22 – Jan 2**  
School resumes on Monday,  
January 5th.

# Annual Holiday Show

MCDC is proud to present “Annie” on Monday, December 15 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 11.

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

Toddlers –  
Girls: all white (dress or top and skirt)  
Boys: white top and black pants

Ms. Monique’s Class – “Residents of Hooverville” –



Girls: scarf, coat, hat  
Boys: pants (brown or black), coat, hat, scarf

Ms. Haidee’s Class – “Orphans”



Girls: old clothes with patches, mismatched socks or tights messy hair, boots  
Boys: Vest or coat with patches, gray or black sweater, newsboy cap, messy hair

Ms. Nikki’s Class – “New York Carolers”



Girls: Red and black winter attire, and/or coat, scarf, hat, tights  
Boys: Red and black winter attire, and/or coat, scarf, hat

Elementary – see teacher for specific attire

All students should arrive 15 minutes before show time. Doors will open at 5:45 p.m. Open seating and seats are available on first come basis.

## 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 Share Our Selves/Adopt a Family Program. Books and toys will be handed to children during Christmas. New and unwrapped toys and brand new books are needed by Wednesday, December 17.

Share Our Selves has helped families in need of extra support during the holidays and support many struggling families in Orange County with gifts and food. This year, Share Our Selves will help over 1,100 families with children; these families are recommended by Costa Mesa and Santa Ana organizations and schools.

## Ms. Laura's Dance Group

For students enrolled in Ms. Laura's Dance Group, a holiday dance performance is scheduled on Wednesday, December 17. 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 supplies to the Door of Faith Orphanage in Mexico. The children were very excited to receive food items. The kids were thrilled to receive the generous donations. Ms. Shannon will be visiting another orphanage again in December. Additional donated items will be delivered before Christmas.



### *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. We appreciate your understanding of our daycare policies.*

happy,  
happy  
birthday  
to you!

#### 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.

Thank you to all our  
MCDC Families!

#### Staff

Ms. Annie 12/26

#### 2 years old

Bailey 12/13

#### 3 years old

James 12/15

Leia 12/16

#### 5 years old

Andre 12/30

#### 8 years old

Bryce 12/29