

Montessori Child Development Center

NEWSLETTER

February 2017



Happy Valentine's Day

We will be celebrating Valentine's Day on Tuesday, February 14. The children may bring a Valentine note or card for their friends. To make it easier to pass out their Valentines, fill it out as "TO MY FRIEND" and "FROM (Child's Name)."

Snack will be served. Be sure to pack a lunch. A snack sign up will be posted on the bulletin board in some classrooms. Parents are welcome to volunteer to read a story, help set up or clean up, and do arts and crafts. Please check the sign-up sheet for details or speak to your child's teacher.

To make this day more festive, be sure to dress your child in red or pink.

The festivities will start at 9:30 and end at approximately 11:00. Each class may have a different schedule, so be sure to check with the teacher if you are planning on volunteering.

Parent-Teacher Conference

Please sign-up for our 2nd Parent-Teacher conference on Monday, February 13th. Your child's teacher will discuss your child's progress and goals for the second term. This is a great time to ask questions and learn more about the foundational lessons being presented to your child to prepare him or her to the next level.

The school will be closed that day, and daycare will be available during your conference time only.

Pennies for Patients

We are collecting coins for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. LLS provide blood cancer research and access to treatment to all blood cancer patients.

We are sending out a box to each student. Please have them collect spare change to donate. Once the box is filled, please bring it back to school. You can turn it in any time from February 10 to the 24th.

The elementary student volunteers will be in charge of cashing the coins and charting it. All the funds will be sent by the end of the month.

February Calendar

Friday, February 10-

Self-Portrait T-Shirt forms due

Monday, February 13 –

Parent-Teacher Conference
(School Close. Daycare during conference time only.)

Tuesday, February 14-

Valentine's Day Celebration

Monday, February 20-

President's Day (School Closed)

February 6 – February 24 –

Pennies for Patients Coin Collection

Extra-Curricular Activities

Dance –

Monday (3s -4s)

Wednesday (Elementary)

Thursday (4-5s)

Friday (Elementary)

Sports –

Tuesdays at 3 -3:30

Tae Kwon Do –

Wednesdays 3 – 3:30

Soccer Shots-

Thursdays at 3 -3:30

Tennis –

Fridays 2:30 -3:00



Presidents' Day

The school will be closed on Monday, February 20th in observance of Presidents' Day.



Happy Birthday!

3 Years

Sasha 2/10

Sai 2/27

4 Years

Shalin 2/21

6 Years

Nehemyah 2/18

7 Years

Grace 2/7

Alessio 2/10

Staff

Ms. Jen 2/3

Thank You!

Thank you to all our parent volunteers who helped with our Lunar New Year Celebration. The children had fun during the parade and enjoyed the delicious food.

Thank you to all our families!

Self Portrait T-Shirts

Be sure to order your shirts by Friday, February 10. Orders will be sent to the printers the following week. These adorable and most popular shirts will only be printed and ordered once during the school year. These shirts are special ordered and the school will not be ordering any extra shirts. Grown-ups are welcome to order. Drop off your form and payment in the envelope by the sign in and out computer.

Playground Fundraisers

In the next few weeks, we will be fundraising for our playground and a cement path connecting Bldg. A and B. We will be bringing back the popular Mixed Bags Fundraiser.

If you have any great fundraising ideas and would like to help the school with raising funds to update our playground, please let us know.

Health Reminder

It is still flu season and many of our students have gotten ill from it. If your child has the flu, fever, vomiting or diarrhea, he/she needs to be fever-free or symptom-free for **24 hours** before returning to school. Do not give your child fever reducing or cough medicine while in school.

The Montessori Connection

Writer and World Renowned Humanitarian



A lifelong self-directed learner, Maya Angelou was a poet, educator, journalist, historian, dancer, best-selling author, actress, playwright, civil rights activist, producer, and director who tirelessly encouraged others to develop the best that is in them. It wasn't surprising that she became a Montessori parent.

In her keynote address at the AMS 2007 Annual Conference, she spoke about courage. It takes courage to speak honestly. It takes courage to advocate for peace. It takes courage to rear open-minded, curious children in uncertain times. Montessorians like Maya Angelou know that the Earth's survival depends on us finding the courage to do all these things.

Dr. Angelou held a lifetime position as Reynolds Professor of American Studies at Wake Forest University. She has authored 12 best-selling books, including *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*.