



MONTESSORI CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

NOVEMBER 2013

NOVEMBER FESTIVITIES

November is here. There's a lot to do. There's a lot to plan. The excitement has just begun. So, remember check around to be sure you don't miss any fun. But most important of all...MAY EVERYONE HAVE THE YUMMIEST FEAST. MAY YOUR THANKSGIVING BE FILLED WITH LOTS OF WIGGLES, GIGGLES AND LOVE FROM ALL AROUND. HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL!

THANKSGIVING FEAST

Turkeys will be flocking in our classrooms this November. You'll be hearing "gobble – gobbles" all throughout. If you ever see a little turkey doing the "turkey hokey pokey," be sure to shake your turkey feathers and join in the fun.

A feast with our Native Americans and Pilgrims will be held on Wednesday, November 27. It's a feast to celebrate good friends. The little ones will be celebrating with a Thanksgiving lunch. A potluck signup will be posted in each classroom. Volunteers are welcome to help.

**SCHOOL CLOSSES AT
3:00 P.M. ON
WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 27**



DATES TO REMEMBER

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11

VETERAN'S DAY

SCHOOL CLOSED

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

PICTURE DAY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

FUNDRAISING ORDER FORMS DUE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

FOOD DRIVE ENDS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

THANKSGIVING FEAST LUNCH

MINIMUM DAY

SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 3:00 P.M.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY,

NOVEMBER 28-29

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

NO SCHOOL



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIRS

Our Scholastic Book fair was grand success. Our goal was to earn enough points for a SMART BOARD in our elementary classroom worth \$2,400. With points saved up from our past book fairs and new points earned from our September fair, we are close to getting a new SMART BOARD. We need to continue to raise \$500 to reach our goal. We will be having another book fair in December. Our catalog book orders will resume in January. Be sure to shop during our book fair for great holiday presents.

Your support in our book fair allows the school to receive points towards new books for our classroom libraries. Thank you.



YANKEE CANDLE FUNDRAISER

Who doesn't like the smell of apple, pumpkin, peppermint bark, Christmas cookie and many more fill the air during the holidays? This year, MCDC partnered up with Yankee candles to fundraise for our playground. Our goal is to raise \$800 to replenish the rubber nuggets in our playground. Our school will receive 40% of your Yankee candle purchases. They are wonderful as gifts or to enjoy in your home. A pizza party will be awarded to the class who earns the most. Forms and brochures will be placed in your child's cubby. Orders are due on Monday, November 18 and will be delivered before the holidays.

SNACK HOST & PRACTICAL LIFE FOOD SIGN UP

THANKS FOR HOSTING SNACK FOR THE CLASS. THE CHILDREN LOVE THE NEW VARIETIES OF SNACKS AND ARE ENJOYING SERVING THEIR FRIENDS DURING SNACK TIME.

A SNACK SIGN UP IS POSTED IN EACH CLASSROOM.

A SIGN UP FOR PRACTICAL LIFE FOOD WORK IS ALSO POSTED IN THE CLASSROOM.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS.



7 YEARS OLD

JADEN 11/4

STAFF

MS. HUONG 11/3

2 YEARS OLD

CHARLIE 11/1

3 YEARS OLD

ANDRE 11/ 12

AIDAN Q 11/19

5 YEARS OLD

HENRY 11/22



Joyful GARDEN



We were treated with a special visit from Mr. Adam, a.k.a “The Earthworm Guy, from ENRECOS who applauded our effort in our Joyful Garden.

The students learned about vermicomposting. By recycling organic waste materials through the use of red earthworms, left over veggies and fruits, paper, and coffee grounds are turned into rich soil amendments that help plants grow healthy.

Each class will be working on planning, maintaining, vermicomposting, and harvesting the Joyful Garden all year. Every class will have their own garden box to take care of; and in doing so, it will be a great compliment in extending their practical life skills of taking care of the environment and their study of botany, zoology, and ecology. A sign-up sheet will be posted for items needed in the class garden box. A garden day will be scheduled. Parents are welcome to help each class plant in their garden. Families are welcome to join us during the gardening day.

Picture Day

Picture Day on Tuesday, November 12.

How to dress: Come with your best school clothes and neatly combed hair.

Bring an extra change of clothes if you wish to have your child changed after his/her picture is taken.

Sibling photos may NOT be available during this formal picture session. If time permits, siblings may have their picture taken at the end of the photo session.

If your child is not scheduled to come in during picture day, please make arrangements to come during the photo session. No payment is needed on picture day. Proofs will be available in a week.



EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Students may sign up for extra-curricular activities any time. Inform your child’s teacher if you would like your child to try out any of the following activities:

SPORTS
GYMNASTICS
SOCCER
TAE-KWON DO
BALLET/TAP

INTEREST LIST IS FORMING FOR
CLAY ART



*We love to
UPCYCLE!*

*Paper grocery
bags needed for
Native
American vest
project. Drop
them off in the
office.*

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR NOVEMBER CELEBRANTS!

MONTESSORI BIRTHDAYS ARE CELEBRATED IN CLASS WITH A TRADITIONAL "WALK AROUND THE SUN." THE BIRTHDAY CHILD HOLDS THE GLOBE AS HE/SHE WALKS AROUND THE SUN MODEL, EACH TIME REPRESENTING A YEAR OLD.

WE ENCOURAGE PARENTS TO BRING PICTURES TO SHARE TO FRIENDS DURING YOUR CHILD'S BIRTHDAY. PARENTS ALSO HAVE THE OPTION TO HOST A SPECIAL SNACK OR A HEALTHY LUNCH. PLEASE LIMIT SUGARY TREATS.

THANKS A BUNCH

THANK YOU TO ALL FOR JOINING US DURING OUR HALLOWEEN PARADE AND CELEBRATION. OUR TEACHERS APPRECIATE YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT DURING OUR SCHOOL EVENTS. THANKS TO OUR PARENTS WHO VOLUNTEERED IN MAKING OUR HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION EXTRA SPECIAL.

FOOD DRIVE

Piper Bello, age 5 and her family are organizing a food drive to donate to the Veterans First organization in Santa Ana. Donations of non-perishable foods are appreciated. Donation boxes are available in the office area and the elementary classroom. Your support is greatly appreciated. Please drop off your donations by November 26th.