

MONTESSORI CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

OCTOBER 2014



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, Picture Day, Pumpkin Patch, International Day Parade, and Halloween Parade.

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

Scheduled for Monday, October 13th 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 13
FOR PARENT TEACHER
CONFERENCE**



DATES TO REMEMBER

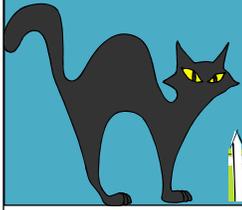
MONDAY, OCTOBER 13
PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE
SCHOOL CLOSED

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10
PUMPKIN PATCH
10:00 A.M.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24
UNITED NATIONS PARADE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29
PICTURE DAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31
HALLOWEEN PARADE
10:00 A.M.



CLASS CELEBRATIONS

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

As an added convenience to parents, you may pre-pay \$5.00 per event or \$60 for the year in lieu of signing up for potluck items. This is entirely optional. If you choose not to prepay, you may still participate by bringing in items needed for the potlucks. Prepaid events will cover the following celebrations: Pumpkin patch, United Nations Day, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Pajama Party, Lunar New Year, Valentine's Day, Dr. Seuss Day, St. Patrick's Day, Egg Hunt, Cinco de Mayo, and Bon Voyage Party.

PUMPKIN PATCH!

PICKING, DECORATING, AND EATING PUMPKINS IS WHAT OUR PUMPKIN PATCH IS ALL ABOUT.

OUR PUMPKIN PATCH WILL BE ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10 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 FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19 FOR A PUMPKIN SHOW AND TELL. BE CREATIVE AND HAVE FUN!



2 YEARS OLD

KYLE 10/27

4 YEARS OLD

JAKE 10/12

5 YEARS OLD

HADLEY 10/15

HILDA 10/15

LADY MAY 10/18

ARCHER 10/29

6 YEARS OLD

RIVER 10/7

7 YEARS OLD

TREVOR 10/5

ELIZABETH 10/24

STAFF

MS. MONIQUE 10/24

Ready. Set. Smile.

Picture day will be held on Wednesday, October 29. Please dress your child in their best outfits for pictures. If you would like us to change your child after, be sure to bring an extra set of clothes. There are no make ups for picture day. If your child is not scheduled to attend school on Wednesday, please make arrangements with the school so your child can have his/her picture taken.



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 31st 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 pencil, or even a bouncy ball will do. But do remember, no chokeable toys 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. Potluck 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 second annual International Day Peace Parade on Friday, October 24 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.



ART FOR THEATER FUNDRAISER

Every month, your child will be creating art pieces inspired by art masters such as Picasso, Van Gogh, or Matisse.

You may have the school frame these art pieces. They are perfect for gifts for grandparents or decorations for your home or office.

Standard framing costs \$25 and proceeds will be used towards our theater program.



*We LOVE to
UPCYCLE!*

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

*MCDC is also
collecting
bottle caps for
a project.*

JOYFUL GARDEN

DONATIONS OF BAGGED SOIL ARE NEEDED TO START OUR PLANTER BOXES. PLEASE DROP OFF YOUR SOIL DONATIONS BY THE GARDEN BOXES.

WE ARE ALSO GOING TO HAVE A FAMILY GARDENING DAY TO GIVE OUR GARDEN A MAKE-OVER. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED PLEASE LET US KNOW. FAMILY GARDENING DATES WILL BE ANNOUNCED.

FUNDRAISERS

EACH CLASSROOM HAS AIR CONDITIONERS RECENTLY INSTALLED TO PROVIDE COMFORT DURING VERY HOT DAYS. DURING THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, WE WILL BE SENDING OUT FUNDRAISING FLYERS TO RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR NEW AIR CONDITIONERS. OUR GOAL IS TO RAISE \$5,200. PLEASE SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISERS TO HELP PAY FOR THE SYSTEMS.

NAP BOXES

Please provide a 6 quart plastic storage box (shoe-sized) for your child's bedding for preschool nappers only.

***WONDERFUL YOU!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND GENEROSITY!***

Thank you to the Garcia Family for donating inflatable toys and for the Vu family for donating books to the school.