



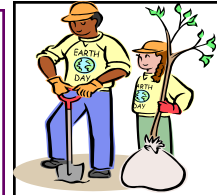
MONTESSORI HOUSE FOR CHILDREN MAY NEWSLETTER

GARDEN NEWS

May dates:

- 5/7: Muffins for Mom; stop into the at school to enjoy muffins with your child between 8:30 am- 9:30 am
- 5/9: Mother's Day
- 5/13: Parent Appreciation Day
We will be handing out coffee & snacks for parents on the run, or parents who Can stay may come inside for breakfast & Snacks from 8:45-9:30 am
- 5/18: EC IV: end of the year performance*
- 5/19: EC III: end of the year performance*
- 5/20: EC II: end of the year performance*
- 5/21: EC I: end of the year performance*
- *ALL PERFORMANCES START AT 11:30 AM, A PICNIC LUNCH WILL FOLLOW. PARENTS ARE INVITED TO JOIN- PLEASE BRING A BLANKET FOR THE PICNIC.
- 5/26: 10:30 AM - KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION!
- 5/28: Last Day of School/ Splash Day
Early Release for half & extended day
- 5/31: WHOLE SCHOOL CLOSURE
OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY

A BIG thank you to the parents who prepared meals for teacher appreciation last month! The teachers and staff THOROUGHLY enjoyed the meals and donations! Everyone had a very special day!



On Earth Day, The Early Childhood Children planted two new trees on the EC Playground! The toddlers have also been working in their play yards. Recently, they planted some more butterfly weeds. All of the children have been watching the lifecycle of a butterfly and have been releasing them back into the wild!



The International Picnic was a huge success! Mother Nature cooperated to allow our children to roam the beautiful park grounds and enjoy the children's playground. Fantastic foods from all corners of the world were shared and no one left hungry! Donations and Silent Auction brought in over \$5,000 in support of the children's outdoor environments, kindergarten tuition assistance, and teacher continuing education. A BIG thank you goes out to all the parents, teachers and children and staff who helped to make the picnic so wonderful! The Parent Org will meet soon to allocate the funds and the results will be posted.



Last Call for left over Coats and jackets at MHFC

As the end of the school year approaches, so does the season for wearing jackets and coats. Please take home your child's jacket or coat if it is still here at the school. All jackets and coats will be donated to Good Will if not claimed. Thank you!

Picnic/ auction news continued...

The Parent Organization will meet in May to allocate the proceeds. If you want to contribute your ideas, please let one of the following **Fundraising Committee** members know your thoughts.

(Head) Jennifer Lange, (Jennifer.a.lange@agilesphere.com), Beejal Patel, Carla Campbell, Monike Jan or Kristi Herrera.

You are also invited to become a member of the 2010/2011 Parent Organization Board. If interested, please join our meeting. Date and time will be announced.

Happy birthdays to these MHFC children And Teachers born in May!

Children:

Vincent 5/27

Aya 5/14

Jorge 5/31

Victoria 5/2

Alexsandra G. 5/21

Lucas 5/10

Ray 5/18

Brady L. 5/14

Ariana R. 5/10

Abigail S. 5/15

Xander 5/27

Ashby 5/17



MHFC Staff:

Ms. Purva 5/3

Ms. Julie 5/25

Mr. Bob 5/5

The following silent auction items were not bid on. If you are interested in bidding (or signing up) for any of the items, please email melissa@montessorihouseforchildren.com

Thank you!

"Games our Parents Played"

Given by Ms. Romesha and Ms. Maitreyi

13 spaces still available for 5/22 from 10am-12pm

\$25 each space

"Indian Dance Lessons"

Given by Vidya

\$20 each lesson

6 spaces available





News from the Toddlers...

Time to change out clothes for warmer weather, we will be sending home long sleeve shirts to be replaced with short sleeved shirts. Please initial with your child's name all tags of school and home clothes and shoes. The Toddlers have been transplanting plants to the ground. We are in need of donated bags of top soil and 2-3 tomato plants. If anyone is interested in providing these to the class.

Everyone enjoyed watching caterpillars transform into butterflies and setting them free. New to our toddler outdoor environment is a new water source! Now toddlers are able to fill their watering cans from a special watering source on the playground. We also continued helping our friends through grace, courtesy and manners. Thanks to all the parents who helped make our Easter parties a big success! The children really enjoyed the activities.

Toddler I would like to thank Maddie Hovas for the flower planting kit! The toddlers really enjoyed baking the bunny cake (and eating it too!) We all enjoyed hunting for eggs and coloring the eggs. Toddler II would like to welcome Nathan Smith to the classroom. We would like to also welcome Daniel and Joshua Ohochuckwu's new baby sister to the world!

Toddler II is enjoying the new puzzle and hand-washing work. They also are enjoying cooking and food prep. They baked croissants and biscuits!

Toddler III started using the sponge/water transfer work in the classroom. We enjoyed baking muffins and will continue baking through May! We bid farewell to our friend Melissa L.



Montessori Kindergarten Tuition Assistance Applications for incoming Kindergarten students are available in the front



LUNCH SIGN-UPS FOR JUNE will be on the front desk for those summer school students who wish to buy their lunch in June. Our own Chef, Ms. Mary will be providing the meals over the summer. Deadline to sign-up for June Meals will be May 21st. (\$60 for June)

News from the Early Childhood classes...

All the EC classes have been working on the golden bead material (1, 10, 100, 1000) syllables, using a dictionary and the virtue work. We have also been learning all about the seasons and butterflies! In May we will talk about the virtue "friendship". We will be working on alphabetical order, rhyming, animals of the continents and ladybugs. EC I wants to thank Elaine for bringing the caterpillars and Emily Silva for donating the silent auction items for artwork! We would like to thank Gerardo and Abby for donating materials and a bird feeder to EC II. Also we thank all the parents who contributed to our classrooms' auction baskets. If you have any cultural, seasonal or special event books or items (Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day, Memorial Day) you would like to send to the school to share, it would be greatly appreciated. We would like to extend a thank you to the parents who contributed towards the silent auction baskets. EC III would especially like to thank Christie Hovas, Heidi Farmer and Leija Frausto for their time and preparation help. The EC children really enjoyed planting trees on Earth Day. EC III received a donation from Cameron's mom of plants that the children enjoyed planting in our gardens! EC IV would like to extend a special thank you to Victoria's mom, Alishba's mom and Anabelle's mom for the help with the class art work! All the classroom's art turned out beautiful!

ALL EC CHILDREN SHOULD WEAR A SHIRT WITH A PEACE SYMBOL ON IT FOR THEIR PERFORMANCES!

Summer is almost here!! We have had an exciting school year and are looking forward to a fun filled summer packed with lots of activities and in house field trips!

