

Montessori Fun Time



AUGUST Newsletter

Thank you for attending the **Pizza Pool Party** on Friday, July 16th. The kids had a lot of fun at the pool. We missed the kids who were not able to join us. Event Pictures are on the Picasa, so please take a look.

- **Drop off and Pick Up Times:** During drop off, please be **punctual** as it can be disruptive to the children doing their regular Montessori jobs. Circle time starts at **9:00AM**. **Please Do not ring the bell.** Knock on the door gently and encourage your child to come in quietly. **Let the child hold their own lunch box to put in their own cubby.** Remember, we are trying our best to make them independent. A quick goodbye will ultimately make separation much easier! As a reminder to all parents, please be there **on time for pick up**.
- **1 Month Notice:** We know that many of you already have plans for the summer, so if your child will be leaving for 2 weeks or more, please notify the preschool at least one month ahead. We will need to know to plan the schedule accordingly.
- **Summer Program:** Learning at Montessori Funtime is endless! We are having a special summer program for our current students and also for children joining for the summer. Weekly themes are provided along with our Montessori curriculum. Siblings and friends are welcome to enroll. We offer a 5% sibling discount. The child is given work depending on his/her age level. Please spread the word about MFT and you'll get a referral special!
- **September Schedule:** Starting September 2010, we are having a slight change in our schedule. We are adjusting our hours into the following: Session 1(8:30 – 11:30), Session 2 (11:30 – 2:30), and Session 3 (2:30 – 5:30). We want you to know ahead of time so that you can adjust accordingly. **We are honoring you, our dear parents by keeping your current rates the same;** therefore there will be no changes in that. New parents are charged according to our new fees. You

can check our website for more details, or if you have any concerns, please inform us and we would love to assist you.

- **Extra Classes:** Children attending our extracurricular classes are doing just great! Why not give it a try this summer. Your child will love to be part of these wonderful classes (Spanish, Dance, Abacus, Hindi & Piano). These classes are offered once a week each from 3:00-4:00. What a better place to have your child enjoy activities than his/her own preschool. Children of all ages are welcome to join.

- **BIRTHDAYS:**

Happy Birthday to Neil on August 8th!

Happy Birthday to Aisha on August 29th!

*** Please remember that if you would like to celebrate your child's birthday in the preschool, please talk with the teacher one week in advance of the day you would like to have the Birthday. She will provide with more information.(We have a **NO NUT POLICY** for Potlucks and Birthdays due to children allergies).***

In this month, along with the regular Montessori curriculum, children will learn about:

Summer, Camping

- **PRACTICAL LIFE:** Sweeping,
Liquids Pouring
Pasting
- **SENSORIAL:** Metal Insets for Designs
Binomial Cubes
Trinomial Cubes
- **LANGUAGE:** Sounds of Letters
Phonetic Words
Rhyme Words
Matching words with pictures
- **MATH:** Concept of number
Decimal System
Tracing numbers
100 Board
- **SCIENCE:** Sun and the Earth
- **GEOGRAPHY:** North America
- **ART:** Marblo Paintings, Paintings with Q tips
- **ZOOLOGY:** Ocean Animals

- **BOTANY:** Parts of Flower
- **MUSICAL INSTRUMENT:** Bells with Children around the world

***Events in Orange County**

OC Fair at Orange County Fair Grounds

Kids under 6 years, admission Free
Thursday Kids all ages, admission Free
Special Wednesday Drive, all admission Free

Check <http://www.ocfair.com/2010/index.asp> for details

Free Admission Days to Local Museums

Daily: California African American Museum, California Science Center, Getty Center and Villa

First Sunday: The Bowers Kidseum

Second Sunday: Orange County Museum of Art

Friday: After 6 pm, Shark Nights, Long Beach Aquarium

Angel's Stadium Tours: Behind the ballpark

During the Angels off-season, tours take place every Tuesday (with the exception of holidays) at 9:30 a.m, 11 a.m., and 1 p.m.

Tickets \$3/adult, \$2/child

http://losangeles.angels.mlb.com/ana/ballpark/ballpark_tours.jsp

Ride the Balboa Island Ferry : \$1/Person

<http://www.balboa-island.net/pf.htm>

OC Public Library

Read 30 books, have fun and get Prizes

Every Thursday, 7-8 pm, Family Night at Heritage Park Library, Irvine

August 7th: Irvine University Park - Rail Safety Storytime and Craft

August 22nd: Irvine University Park - Summer Craft Day

August 28th, Irvine Katie Wheeler - Crafts in the Park

Newport Beach Library: Full of activities, check the website

<http://www.city.newport-beach.ca.us/nbpl/Events/calendar.html#/?i=1>



Barnes and Noble:

Read 8 books and get 1 Free book from any Barnes and Noble

Free Movies

When: On Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Where: Regal Cinemas

Event: <http://www.regmovies.com/>

Project Playhouse at the Irvine Spectrum

July 31 - September 11, 2010 There will be 10 playhouses on display to benefit HomeAid Orange County. For six weeks we invite you to stroll the Irvine Spectrum Center® and visit each of these unique playhouse creations. INFORMATION: 949-553-9510

Concert in Irvine: Sunday, August 24

SPRINGSTEEN! The Premier Tribute To The Boss

6:00pm – 7:30pm Woodbridge Community Park

Check the website for more events in Orange County:

http://www.orangecounty.net/html/events_summer.html