

MONTESSORI FUN TIME

January 2011 News



"Montessori students are not afraid of making mistakes; they see them as natural steps in the learning process." By: Dr. Maria Montessori

Welcome Back Everyone! Warmest Wishes for the New Year! We hope you all had a wonderful time with your families and friends. We hope everyone is refreshed after the holidays and ready for a busy and productive January. Thank you for supporting all the children by attending the Christmas party celebrated at The University Club House on the 18th of December. The children performed beautifully and we highly appreciate your help and support.

Thank you! The staff and Director would like to thank you for the numerous thoughtful cards and gifts that were given during the holiday season. We are truly blessed to have such kind parents, such as you, attending our preschool.

Pictures: We previously asked all the parents to send us the pictures they took at the Christmas Party, so we can upload them online for all the parents to Share. We did take a lot of pictures but no doubt parents always capture the most beautiful moments. So please feel free to give the pictures to the teacher, either on a CD or USB (Hard drive) and we will return it back to you at pickup.

Cold and Flu Season: It's that time of the year again...If your child comes down with a cold or the flu; please remember that children are not allowed to attend school if he/she shows signs of illness. It is important to allow them time to rest up, build up resistance before returning back to school, and also help prevent the spread of the illness to others. All Children attending must be able to participate in indoor and outdoor activities. Please also remember to send a ***Sweater or Jacket with your child's name.*** We cannot provide sweaters unless parents ask us to do so (to prevent any rash, or contagious skin infections and especially the flu).

Drop off time and pick up time

Starting off our new year we would like to ask parents to please be considerate of the other children and follow the drop off and pick up times. Please be punctual as it can be disruptive to the children doing their regular Montessori jobs. Thank you!

Session 1: 8:30 am- 11:30 am

Session 2: 11:30 am- 2:30 pm

Session 3: 2:30 pm- 5:30 pm

Sign In & Out Sheet:

Always **Sign in and Out** your child from the school. This is a licensing requirement for the preschool. It is also very important for us to keep track of your child's attendance days and hours. Please make sure to double check your child's name on the sign in sheet before writing the name and time.

In this month children will learn about:

Practical Life	Sorting and Folding Socks
Sensorial	Large Hexagon Box
Language	Sounds of the Letters and Making 3 Letter Phonetic Words for Reading
Math	Concept of Numbers, Tracing Numbers and Concept of Addition
Science	Changing Colors of Carnations
Geography	Oceans of the World, Puzzle Map of Australia
Art	Creating Carnations using Tissue Paper
Botany	Flower (Carnations) and Dry Fruits (Nuts)
Zoology	Reptiles: Parts of the Turtle
History	Martin Luther King Jr. and World Literacy

Happy New Year 2011!!!

Happy Birthday Shout Outs To:

January 18 - Harley

January 23 - Dexter

January 2 - Shreeyaa

Happy Birthday to Benjamin Franklin: January 17

Happy Birthday to First Lady Michelle Obama: January 17

Happy Birthday to Mozart: January 27

Happy Birthday to Oprah Winfrey: January 29

Important Dates to Remember:

New Years Day: Saturday, January 1

World Literacy Day: Saturday, January 8

Amelia Earhart Day: Tuesday, January 11

Martin Luther King Jr. Day: Monday, January 17

Australia Day: Wednesday, January 26

Fun Things to Do In the OC:

▽ **Science Show Featuring Dr. Seema Choudhary Coming Soon!**

▽ **Get Outdoors OC at Upper Newport Bay Muth Center - Newport Beach**

Saturday, January 22, 2011

9 am - 12 noon

Your family can experience some of the same hands-on environmental education activities, such as bird watching, that many of you have done with Inside the Outdoors! Cost: Free (This program is generously sponsored by a grant.) Advance registration is required.

LOCATION:

Muth Center

Upper Newport Bay, Newport Beach

INFORMATION:

(714) 708-3885

▽ **Heritage Park Library- Family Night Program Every Monday at 7:00pm**
January 10- March 9th (No program on Jan. 17 and Feb. 21st)