

## Montessori Fun Time



### • September Newsletter

- **Welcome back to school:** Welcome to the 2010-2011 school year. We hope you had wonderful restful and rejuvenating summer break. We would like to welcome all of our returning families with a special greeting to those families who are joining MFT for the first time.
- **September schedule:** Starting this month, we are following these hours: Session 1(8:30 – 11:30), Session 2 (11:30 – 2:30), and Session 3 (2:30 – 5:30). Be on time for pick up and drop off. **Please let us know if we can help you with any session.**
- **Things to remember :**
  - Remember to sign your child in and out each day, indicating time of arrival and pick up time and your signature. It is required by the licensing.
  - Please at drop off; 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 and open it gently and encourage your child to come in quietly while bringing their own lunch box.
  - Submit all tuition installments by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month prior to attendance to avoid the late fee.
  - While at MFT, Don't use the cell phones/blue tooth to give your child all your attention.
  - If you send a food item to be warmed, it must be in a small microwave safe dish with your child's name clearly marked.
  - If you have some plans during the school year and your child will not able to attend the MFT, please notify the preschool at least one month ahead. We will need to know to plan the spots accordingly.

- **September 19<sup>th</sup>**: Please Join us for Brunch with City of Irvine Councilmember, Beth Krom, Candidate for Congress, 48th District, Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, at Montessori Funtime Preschool, 38 Water Lily, Irvine, CA 92606. This is the perfect opportunity to meet Beth in an informal setting, hear where she stands on the issues, and ask any questions you may have. If you would like to bring some food item for the Brunch, please contact the school.
- **Extra Classes**: Children attending our extracurricular classes are doing just great! 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 with little fee. What a better place to have your child enjoy activities than his/her own preschool.

- **BIRTHDAYS**:

Happy Birthday to August on September 26th!

\*\*\* 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:

Back to school

- **PRACTICAL LIFE:** Table Washing  
Pouring Grains  
Setting up a Table
- **SENSORIAL:** Sound Boxes  
Blue Constructive Triangles
- **LANGUAGE:** Sounds of Letters  
Phonetic Words  
Rhyme Words
- **MATH:** Concept of number

- **SCIENCE:** Decimal System
- **GEOGRAPHY:** Tracing numbers
- **ART:** 100 Board
- **ZOOLOGY:** Volcano Eruption
- **BOTANY:** Puzzle Map of USA
- **MUSIC:** Painting by Falling Leaves
- Parts of Fish
- Parts of Flower and Tree
- By Raffi

**\*Events in Orange County**

Item Name: **Tall Ships Festival**

Item Description: Tall Ships Festival - Dana Point  
September 11-13, 2010

The festival features a spectacular array of family-fun activities including live music, art shows and a variety of tasty food. Interactive living-history encampments including blacksmiths, scrimshaw artists, and the infamous Port Royal Privateers are sure to entertain and amaze guests of all ages and are not to be missed. Additionally, you can explore the historic tallships and listen to the crew share tails of adventure and life at sea.

LOCATION: Dana Point Harbor / Ocean Institute

Shuttle service from Salt Creek Beach Park at Pacific Coast Highway and Selva Road & from Dana Hills High School)

Item Name: **Orange County Heart Walk**

Item Description: Orange County Heart Walk, Irvine  
September 19, 2010

This event brings together community and health-minded citizens to promote fun, fitness, and the American Heart Association's lifesaving research and education programs. This event features a 5K Route, Health Expo, Food & Educational Booths, Kids' Zone, Kid's Fun Run, Survivor Café, Live Music & other Entertainment

Location: Orange County Great Park



**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](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**

August 7<sup>th</sup>: Irvine University Park - Rail Safety Storytime and Craft

August 22<sup>nd</sup>: Irvine University Park - Summer Craft Day

August 28<sup>th</sup>, Irvine Katie Wheeler - Crafts in the Park

**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