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Announcements and Reminders:

- There will be NO Breakfast Box during the month of May.
- MSOR Summer Camp details are being finalized and will be emailed out in the near future.
- Friday, May 13 is the LAST DAY to order yearbooks! See page 2 of newsletter for ordering instructions.

May Birthdays:

Eleanor Heller	5/3
Benjamin Cramer	5/12
Annalise McClain	5/18
Hank Rogers	5/19
Ben Harbin	5/21
Dev Shah	5/29

Summertime Birthdays

Abby Samia	6/1
Benjamin Angle	6/2
Michael Angle	6/2
Corbin Kuglar	6/3
Bentley Wright	6/4
Addison Adams	6/4
Aurora Hernandez	6/6
Molly Howell	6/7
Townes Powell	6/13
Carter Rush	6/16
Cora Kautz	6/19
Pablo Santa-Maria	6/20
Liam Cantrell	6/23
Arhaan Patel	6/24
Ace Payne	6/29
Maddie Green	7/8
Tomás Barreneche	7/14
Andrew Weber	7/15
Marissa Gonzalez	7/16
Quinn Barton	7/17
Henry Nelson	7/17
Sorren Hernandez	7/18
River Grace Cates	7/19
Wanting Chen	7/21
Chandler Foster	7/24
Jackson Greenway	7/27
Sara Beth Davis	7/28



Important Dates and Information

- Thursday, May 26
Graduation 6:30
Brookes Chapel - Shorter University
- Friday, May 13
Deadline to order yearbooks
- Friday, May 27
Last day of school (half day)
- Sign up Here for
Graduation Pictures:

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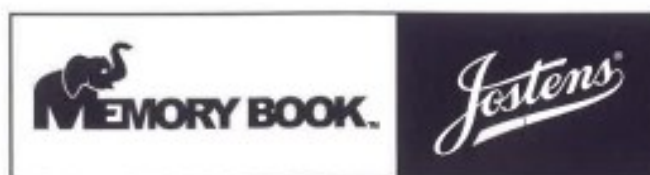
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**DEADLINE TO ORDER IS
NEXT FRIDAY,
MAY 13TH!!**

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If you have any questions about ordering your yearbook contact your school's yearbook advisor.

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Students with their family - May 26th

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- D. 4-5x7, 1 pose. \$50
- E. 12 - 4x6 proofs, several poses. \$30

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11x14 Canvas \$145	Package _____
5x7 of Group \$10	Add-Ons _____
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Toddler News from Ms. Ginny & Ms. Kelly



It's so hard to believe that this is the last newsletter of this school year!! It's been a great year with a great group of children!!

It also been a year with a wonderful group of parents! I can't thank you all enough for everything you've done for our class! It's been an amazing year!!



This month we will be talking and learning about the ocean and all the amazing creatures that live there. It's always a fun and interesting month. There will be lots of fun new songs and crafts.



On Wednesday, May 25, we will be having Splash Day!! We will have a few pools for both toddler classes to play in and lots of other water fun. They will come in their swimsuits ready for fun and will need a towel and extra clothes to change in to after the fun. This day is always lots of fun for the children!!



The last day of school is Friday, May 27. It will be a half day with toddlers dismissal at 11:00. We will not have lunch but will have snack! The dismissal times are staggered for all the different classes so it's important for you to pick them up on time to keep the traffic flowing! Please send a large bag the last day of school for all your child's belongings!

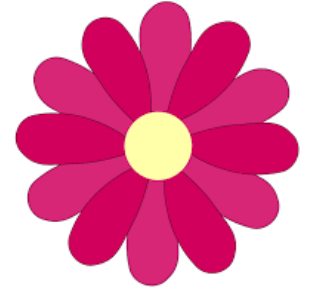


Again! Thanks for a wonderful year!!!

Ms. Ginny and Ms. Kelly



Toddler News from Ms. Shannon, Ms. Rachel & Ms. Savannah



I can't believe that this is the final newsletter of the school year! This year has flown by. It's been such a blessing to get to know all of our families this year. We've seen so many milestones reached and we are amazed at the kids we get to work with. It's always hard when you lose children that you have worked with for two years. We will really miss all of our children who are moving on to Primary and other places next year. We have a really sweet class. Thank you to all of you who have sent in gifts for Teacher Appreciation Week!



Our rising Primary children have enjoyed their time visiting this week. I've had so many children come back so excited to tell me what all they've been doing. The Primary teachers have had nothing but fabulous things to say about the way children have worked.



We will begin our study of the ocean in May. We will learn that there are different oceans and the kind of sea creatures that live in them. We will revisit our water lessons, such as sink and float. We will also sing lots of fun songs and make some crafts.



The last week of school we will have a few fun days to celebrate the end of the year. On Tuesday, we will play with our parachute and bubbles. We will also have snow cones. We will have a water/swim day on Wednesday. We will have inflatable pools and water tables for the children. If you have a small pool that we can borrow please let me know. We usually try to get a few of the hard plastic ones for the little ones. On Thursday, we usually do a cleaning day. We scrub the chairs and tables to get ready to close the classroom down for the summer. That Friday will be a half day. We will dismiss at 11. I will send more info on that closer to time about what to wear and bring for each day.



Once again I want to thank you all for your support this year! Rachel, Savannah, and I appreciate it so much. Thank you for allowing us to work with your children.

Ms. Shannon, Ms. Rachel and Ms. Savannah

Primary News from Ms. Valerie & Ms. Christina



It is hard to believe that the school year is coming to an end. It has been so much fun to watch the children grow throughout the school year. We wanted to say thank you to all the amazing families that have been a part of our community. We could not have done it without you and your support! We love you all and are so thankful for our Montessori Family.

We studied so many wonderful things like space, the ocean, Thailand, and so much more. We made so many special memories together. The children amazed us with how much information they absorbed, their kind hearts, resilience, and their ability to grow and become independent.



We are blown away by how far all the students have come academically, socially, and emotionally! We are honored to be their teachers and are so grateful for the special moments we get to witness every day.

We wanted to share some tips for this summer with your children:

- Please continue to read stories with your child every day. There are many benefits to reading with your child. It builds a strong phonological awareness, enhances their vocabulary, and expands their creativity about the world around them.
- If your child is reading, please encourage them to practice every day this summer and continue to check out readers. If your child is done with the readers, we will email a list of appropriate books they can check out at your local library and read.
- Create a daily schedule for your child. Having a daily routine helps your child stay structured and gives them a sense of security and confidence.
- Give your child responsibilities/chores this summer. This will encourage them to gain independence, self-awareness, and allow your child to gain confidence in themselves.
- Limit their screen time during the week. The American Pediatric Association recommends that screen time usage be no more than 1 hour per day. There are many alternatives to screen time such as playing outdoors, creative play, arts and crafts, sports, puzzles, etc.



Thank you so much for making this a wonderful year! We are so thankful for you all.

Ms. Valerie and Ms. Christina

Primary News from Ms. Angie, Ms. Sydney, & Ms. Anna Kate



May Day / Mother's Day was wonderful. We hope you enjoyed it as much as the children did. It was nice to celebrate as a Montessori family again.



We would like to thank each of you for entrusting us with your child this year. It has been a great year with lots of learning and some laughs and tears also. We probably learn as much from the children as they do from us.



We have enjoyed watching the children grow and become a Montessori family in our class. Many friendship bonds have been formed that will last a lifetime— another beauty of our program.

Thank you for all the blessings and gifts that you have bestowed on us throughout the year. We appreciate and love you and your child very much.



With love,
Ms. Angie, Ms. Sydney,
and Ms. Anna Kate

Check out this great article! [Staying the Course: Montessori and the Kindergarten Year](#)

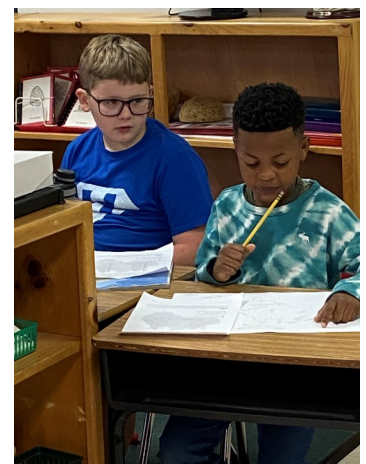
Lower Elementary News from Ms. Dolores & Ms. Robin



May Day was lovely! The children enjoyed singing for you. Thank you for joining us.

It's almost time wrap up our school year. We have enjoyed our time with your precious children. Thank you for sharing them with us and allowing us to guide them through another year of learning. We are so grateful that we have the privilege of taking them on the Montessori journey through the cosmos, the world, and the classroom. Thank you for all your assistance and participation. We appreciate all of you!

Ms. Robin and Ms. Dolores



Lower Elementary News from Ms. Stefanie

I truly cannot believe the end of this school year is almost here already! Thank you for all you have done to support your children's education and our school this year! Please read the following information about important upcoming events.

Our trip to LCCL Strawberry Farm will be Monday, May 16th. We will leave the school at 8:45 am and return after we enjoy a picnic lunch. Your child should arrive at school at the usual time of 7:35 – 7:50. Additional information will be sent in a separate email.



Graduation will be Thursday evening, May 26th. Please look for more information coming from the office.

Our 3rd year students are considered penmanship students and will be a part of the ceremony. Third year girls should wear a white dress and third year boys should wear khaki pants, white button-down shirt, and navy blazer. The rest of the students should dress in Sunday best clothing. Our class will be performing a song together at graduation, so all students should please be present.



The last day of school is Friday, May 27th. It will be a half day and we will plan on having a field day, so please make sure your child dresses appropriately for outdoor play.

Here are some great ideas for continuing your child's education through the weeks of summer from Kari Frentzel of the Wildflower Foundation:

Explore your child's interests. Summer can be an ideal time to expand on a positive experience your child had during the year. Think back over the past few months. What was an especially exciting time for your child? Learning to ride a bike? Baking brownies with Dad? Seeing the daffodils bloom? Help them take this interest a step further this summer. Take bike rides together in different parts of your city, teach them to make chocolate mousse, plant a garden.



Let your child take care of him or herself. During the school year, families are often dictated by strict schedules, which can make it hard to let children do things on their own. Use these summer months to slow down and let your child become more independent. Children can prepare their own breakfast or lunch or help cook part of the family dinner. They can wash and fold their own laundry. They can feed the family pet and help wash the car. Just remember that these tasks, although routine to you, may be new to your child. Make sure you explain things well and give them lots of time for learning and practice.



Allow for lots of free time. Creativity and new ideas do not happen quickly. Children need time for exploration and reflection. Give them this gift of time. During the school year, busy schedules can often curtail time for uninterrupted exploration. Children who are not used to this free time may complain with, "I'm bored" or "I have nothing to do." Don't panic – this is the first step to your child finding his or her creative outlet and embarking on something amazing! Your job at this time is to stand back and not to "solve" their boredom problem.

Spend time in nature. In many areas, summer means warmer weather, and often is the best time to be outside. Don't miss this opportunity! Time in nature allows your child to discover how the world works – the plants, the animals, gravity, sunlight, water, air, the stars. An understanding gained by personal experience provides a firm foundation for future studies in science, platforms for creative thinking and writing and, most importantly, a compassion for our earth and all things on it.



You may be asking, "But what about reading, what about math?" Yes, these are important too. So, please, go to your public library. Take out lots of books – they're free! Take out books your child is interested in. Take out books you're interested in. Take out books neither of you is interested in – you may be surprised. For math, the best practice is practical life and can happen all summer. "This recipe calls for two eggs, but we're doubling it, how many is that?" Or, "Our bike ride this afternoon is one mile long. How long will it take us?" Or, "Our tomato plants need to be spaced 24 inches apart. How many can we fit in this row?" This is the kind of math your child needs to consolidate the abstract concepts learned during the year.

Summer break? Not really a break at all, just a different learning environment.

Ms. Stefanie

Upper Elementary News from Ms. Rebecca & Ms. Kaitlin

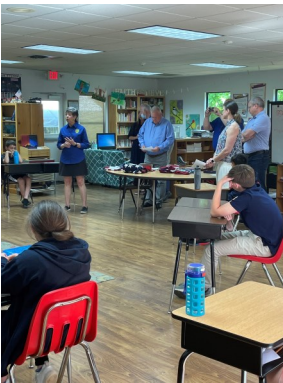
We enjoyed celebrating May Day with the students! They did a wonderful job on their performance. Thank you for visiting the classroom and having a treat with us.

The 4-H trip is coming up next week on Thursday and Friday! Meet at school at 7:00 AM on the 12th. We will return at 3:00 PM on Friday, May 13th. The cost of the trip is \$145.00. Please have payment into the office by May 10th.

5th Years have their Fire Safety field trip May 17th.

Our last day of school is a half day! Have a wonderful May!!!!

Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Kaitlin



MSOR was pleased to welcome Gail Johnson and her fellow Exchange Club members as they shared the "Give a Kid a Flag to Wave" presentation to our Upper El and Adolescent students this week! Enjoy these photos from the presentation!



Announcements



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We invite you to connect with us on social media! We post regularly on Facebook and Instagram, and Twitter. Please follow us to stay updated on school events and to view a ton of great photos of our students at work. We look forward to connecting and communicating with you. We hope you like and comment on our posts and feel free to ask any questions or share our content with family and friends.

SCHOOL MESSENGER: To opt in to receive text messages from school messenger please text the letter **y** or **yes** to **67587**. We use school messenger to update parents on weather, delayed openings or school closures, etc.

Thank you,

Jamie Foster

Executive Administrator