# Weekly Notes January 10, 2023 Office Notes

#### Yearbook Reminders:

- Flyers went home recently with pricing and instructions on how to order your yearbook online. If you need another copy of the flyer please let Ms. Jamie know.
- If you have any photos from MSOR events throughout the year, please share them with Ms. Jamie! We would love to collect additional photos from Historical Timeline and the Holiday Program, as well as any other special moments our parents may have captured (or will capture) this year!
- Third Year Primary, Third Year Lower El, and Sixth Year Upper El Parents: Please remember to send a baby photo of your child to Ms. Jamie to include on our special page in this year's yearbook. Thank you!
- Yearbook orders will be delivered to the school over the summer. We will reach out once they have arrived to arrange pickup during summer office hours.

#### Club Announcements:

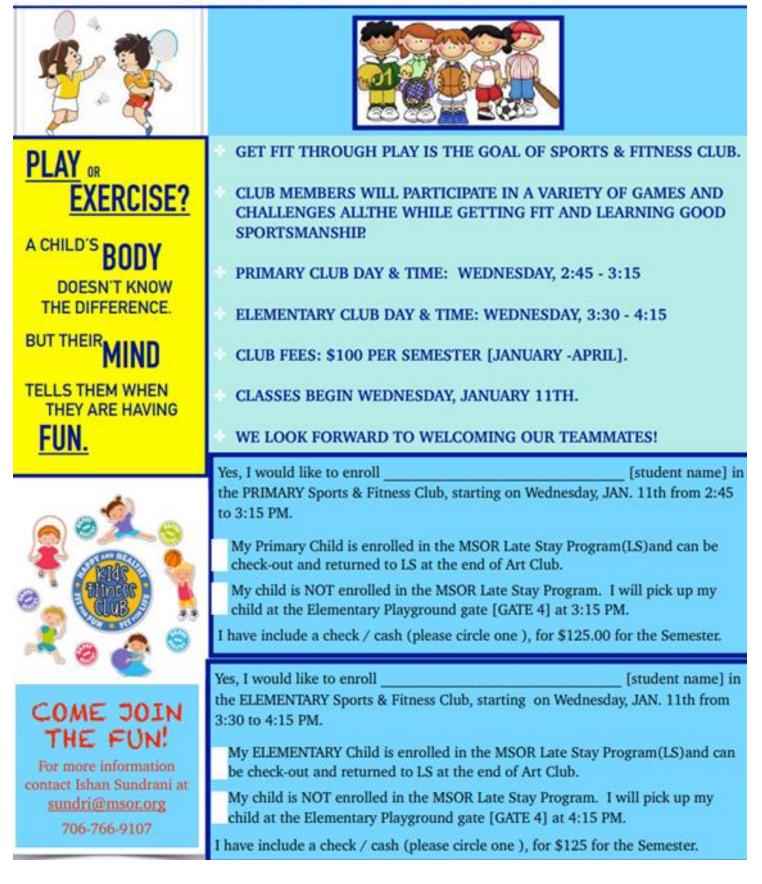
**Chess Club is off to a great start!** Please remember all payments should be made directly to our Chessmaster, Mr. Lee Miller.

**Spanish Club will not take place this semester due to a conflict in teaching schedules.** That being said, various Spanish events may be offered in the coming months that would include activities such as cooking authentic food, dance lessons, and other ways of further immersing our students into the Spanish Language.

**Sports Club is now open for business!** The first club meeting will take place tomorrow, Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. Spots are limited so please submit the form shown below along with payment to secure your child's spot. Sign-up forms and payment may be submitted to Ms. Jamie in the Office or to your child's teacher.

# **MSOR** Sports & Fitness CLUB

#### AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS AND FITNESS CLASSES FOR PRIMARY / ELEMENTARY STUDENTS



# Ms. Ginny's and Ms. Kelly's Toddler Class

We are really enjoying our study of arctic animals this month. We've talked about different types of penguins and read a fun story about how we are like penguins. We even waddled around the line to the Penguins on Parade song.

International Day is coming up in February and we will be studying Italy. If you have anything you'd like to share about Italy, we welcome your contributions! Please reach out to Ms. Ginny with any items you'd like to contribute. We promise to keep them safe and out of little toddler hands. ;)

Just a reminder to please make sure all coats are labeled with your child's name. We have had several jackets each week brought in, that are similar in appearance but do not have a name on the inside. Thank you!

School will be closed next Monday, January 16 for MLK, Jr. Day.

Ms. Ginny & Ms. Kelly

# Ms. Shannon's, Ms. Jessica's, and Ms. Kristin's Toddler Class

Happy 2023! The students are excited to be back after the break and are ready for a great year. We have a few reminders for everyone to ensure we start the new year off just right:

- **Lunches** | Please be sure that none of the following food items are included in your child's lunch. These items are strictly prohibited by Bright From the Start and may not be served:
  - o Popcorn
  - Raw carrots in any form
  - Hot dogs in any form
  - Grapes in any form
  - Cheese sticks in any form
- Labels | Winter is a busy time of the year and with it comes lots of additional items. Please remember to label everything from jackets, to hats, to hairclips, and all the way down to silverware! Our Lost & Found box is always growing and we can help return items to the rightful owner by properly labeling.
- Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> | There will be no school in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

We are looking forward to a wonderful 2023!

Ms. Shannon

### Ms. Angie's, Ms. Karabeth's, and Ms. Rana's Primary Class

Hello everyone. January has been great so far. We have been studying the polar regions. The children are enjoying learning so much about penguins. We have the 100th day of school coming up on January 30th and we would love to celebrate with the children. We are studying Romania for International Day which is in February. If you have anything to share about Romania, please let me know.

January 16th- No school. Martin Luther King holiday.

January 18th- Celebrating my birthday with the children, I am providing lunch for the children on this day. The children always do so much for me so I want to give to them.

January 30th- 100th day of school. We will celebrate with children being invited to dress like they are 100. They are also invited to bring in 100 of something from their home to share with the class.

We have a busy and fun month planned. Thanks for all your support.

Ms. Angie

# Ms. Krystle's, Ms. Macy's, and Ms. Trudy's Primary Class

Hello families,

The children are adjusting very well to being back at school, and we are off to a great start! We will be studying the country of French Polynesia, specifically Tahiti. We would love some artifacts from Tahiti or about Tahiti if you have anything to share.

Please ask your child if they are still hungry at lunch, and if so, please send them with more food. Several of our children are finishing all of their food and are still hungry at lunch.

As a general reminder, readers come back every Monday and Thursday. Library books go home on Fridays and need to be returned by the next Friday morning at the latest. Third years: please bring your workbook every day. Please check the clear bin everyday for all of your child's belongings; this is where we put late-stay workbooks, readers, etc.

Clubs are back so if you would like to sign up your child for one, please see or email Ms. Jamie.

This upcoming Monday is Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The school will be closed to observe this holiday, and we look forward to seeing everyone the following Tuesday!

Thank you so much for your continued help and support,

Ms. Krystle, Ms. Macy, & Ms. Trudy

## Ms. Robin's and Ms. Dolores's Lower Elementary Class

This week we begin our geography lessons on South America. The students are excited to delve into the country of Peru, which will be the country they research for International Day. We're also studying botany and will conduct some plant experiments over the next few weeks. We will hone our observation skills and review the scientific method in preparation for science fair in March.

We don't have any January birthdays, but we will be celebrating the December birthdays of Fraunchez, Liam, and Vihaan with a pizza lunch this Friday, 1/13. The December birthdays had to be postponed twice due to student and teacher illness. Thank you to the birthday parents for your flexibility, and thank you to Lelia Stina, Kim Headrick, Ashley Smith, Ms. Rana, Lauren Denney Wright, Beth Denney, and Alexis Wilson for helping Ms. Stefanie with our class during our absence.

I would also like to thank Mariana Benjamin for making elf costumes for our holiday program. If anyone has any photos or videos of our class performance, please send them to me.

Ms. Robin & Ms. Dolores

## Ms. Stefaníe's Lower Elementary Class

In afternoon class this week, 1st years are finishing their map of North America and 2nd & 3rd years are finishing their map of the United States. We are also working on Botany and Zoology. Next week, we will begin our studies of Europe in preparation for International Day next month. We're all looking forward to learning more about our international country of Poland! If you would be willing to share items to help us experience Poland or to use for display, please let me know. Also, if you are interested in sharing firsthand information or personal experiences with the class, you're welcome to do so. Just let me know so we can schedule a time for you to come in. Thank you!

Homework this week is Lesson 12 in the language books and the individual math packets that were sent home with students. Please remember, the math packets and the language books should be returned to school on Thursday!

Friday, we will read a children's book about Martin Luther King, Jr. The focus will be on having courage to speak up for what is right and on treating all people with kindness, grace, and courtesy. Remember, there will be no school on Monday in recognition of Martin Luther King Day.

Some mornings, students may be waiting outside with me during drop off. The weather is difficult to predict, but it is likely we will have plenty of very cold mornings before Spring arrives. To help your child be more comfortable, please help them learn how to check the weather in the mornings and plan for the appropriate outerwear. If the temperature is below 50 degrees at recess (12:00 pm), all students are required to wear a jacket to go outside. Thank you!

Ms. Stefanie

# **Upper Elementary Class**

Happy Tuesday!

Our field trip to the Rome History Museum is Friday, January 27th. We will depart from school at 9:15 a.m. We will return to school by 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$5. Please turn in your field trip permission slip as soon as possible. Please let us know if you are able to drive.

We are participating in Multicultural Children's Book Day. We will read and review books that share stories and information about cultures, languages, and traditions from around the world. Students can keep their book after the review. More information will be sent out soon.

This is a new semester for Tennis. The cost is \$190. Please make checks payable to Jan Williams. International Day is February 24th. This year we are studying Native Americans. We are underway with lessons and are excited to share our findings! Report cards come out on January 17th. Our Washington D.C. trip will be in late April or early May after the IOWA test. More information about this trip will be sent out soon.

Upper Elementary Guides