

Weekly Notes December 5, 2023

Office Notes

Logo Shop is back with another opportunity to stock up on last-minute gifts and stocking stuffers while supplies lasts! We will also have our delicious hot cocoa and hot cider bar set up! Cocoa is \$4.00 per cup (or \$5.00 with toppings) and Cider is \$3.00. As an added bonus, receive a free cup of cocoa or cider when you spend \$20.00 at Logo Shop!

Join us tomorrow, Wednesday, beginning at 2:00pm in the parking lot. We look forward to serving you!

**OH, THE WEATHER OUTSIDE MAY (OR MAY NOT) BE FRIGHTFUL,
BUT COCOA AND HOT CIDER ARE SO DELIGHTFUL.
IF YOU WANT SOME THEN YOU KNOW THE PLACE TO GO....**



**SHOP LOGO!
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**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6
UPPER BUILDING PARKING LOT
2PM - LATE STAY**

FREE CUP
OF HOT CHOCOLATE OR HOT CIDER
with any \$20 purchase of
Montessori Merchandise

**WHILE SUPPLIES
LAST....**

- DRINKWARE**
- TOTES**
- PLUSHIES**
- DRAWSTRING BAGS**
- FLEECE THROWS**

Christmas Party + Sleepover – Friday, December 8th:

MSOR is hosting Christmas Party + Sleepover! **This Friday, December 8th, we invite all Toddler, Primary, and Elementary students to join us for a Christmas Party from 5:30-9:00pm.** Parents can use this time for an evening out while your little one(s) enjoy dinner, cookie decorating, a hot cocoa bar, and a movie here at MSOR!

We will also host a sleepover for Elementary students following the Christmas Party, so check out the email sent earlier today for more information and to sign up for one or both of these exciting events!



Christmas Babysitting – Saturday, December 9th:

It's the time of year for holiday shopping and running last minute errands in preparation for Christmas!

MSOR is excited to be hosting a babysitting event this Saturday, December 9th, from 9:00am-2:00pm.

This is the perfect opportunity to take care of "Santa's List" while your child is in the care of our wonderful MSOR Adolescent and Secondary Parent Volunteers!

Your child may join us for as little or as long as you would like at a rate of \$15.00/hour. All proceeds benefit the Adolescent & Secondary Spring Trip to Australia!

We can't wait to have your child(ren) join us for food, fun, activities, and more! Deadline to sign up is this Friday, December 8th, at noon.

**Christmas is Coming?
Need to shop?
Need a babysitter?**

**Saturday-December 9
9:00am--2:00 pm
\$15 per hour per child
Bring own lunch or \$5 for Pizza**

Child Name _____
Parent _____
Phone Contact: _____
MSOR Teacher _____

**LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE:
SIGN UP BY NOON DECEMBER 8**
Via Email donahda@msor.org or bring form to office
Make checks payable to MSOR Adolescents
VENMO: @Kay-Attaway

All proceeds benefit the
adolescent-secondary
spring trip to Australia

Holiday Program – Tuesday, December 12th:

Our Holiday Program is just around the corner and we are looking forward to a wonderful event! This year's theme is *A Montessori Muppet Christmas*. Tickets to the performance are currently on sale and pre-orders are encouraged. Please contact Ms. Jamie in the Office to place an order for tickets.

Keep in mind: The morning of our Program we will hold a rehearsal at the Rome City Auditorium for Primary and older. Parents should plan to drop students off for rehearsal at the following times:

- Toddlers **will not** attend morning rehearsal
- Elementary and older – Arrive promptly at 8:00
- Primary – Arrive between 8:15-8:30

Faculty members will be ready to welcome students dropped off during these timeframes only.

Parents, if you are planning to stay for the duration of rehearsal, please park outside of the side door by the Water Department and walk your child inside.

Rehearsal will likely end between 10:00-10:30. Please plan to pick your child up at this time from the Rome City Auditorium.

Following rehearsal, Primary students are encouraged to go home and rest for the day until call time for the program, or parents may return them to school if needed.

If returning to school, **please keep in mind our Late Stay Program will end early at 4:15pm on the day of our Holiday Program** so everyone has an opportunity to get dressed and arrive at the auditorium in plenty of time that evening.

On Tuesday evening all students are asked to arrive at the Rome City Auditorium no later than 5:30pm. Students should plan to arrive fully dressed and ready to go. Classes with multiple costume changes: please wear your first costume and bring your clean costume change(s) on a hanger. We will begin to load the stage promptly at 5:45pm.

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

We are really enjoying this time of year. We are reading books about Christmas and practicing for our Holiday Program. Please continue practicing with your child the Christmas Freeze Dance and Clap Your Hands. We will meet at the auditorium next Tuesday evening, 12/12. Please have your child there, dressed in their striped pajamas by 5:45pm.

We will celebrate Sadie's 2nd birthday next Wednesday, 12/13 with a pizza lunch. This is also our pajama day! You will not need to send lunch boxes that day. Please make sure your child has a pair of shoes to wear on the playground that day.

Thank you to Merritt's mom and dad for providing a cookie decorating kit for our class next Friday, December 15. We are also looking for someone to donate a salty treat (Veggie Straws or Pirate's Booty are great!) as a special snack to go with their cookies that day. As a reminder, this is a half day of school. Please plan on having your child picked up by 11:15AM.

Ms. Ginny

Ms. Shannon's, Ms. Kristin's, and Ms. Rachel's Toddler Class

This week we are working on our Holiday performance. The kids are doing great! Keep playing those songs at home. The program is Tuesday, December 12. Please come between 5:30 and 5:45. I will meet you in the back and take them to our holding area. I will send home pajamas on Tuesday. They will need to wear their pajamas and tennis shoes. Please send any children who are still working on potty training in a diaper/pullup. Children will be dismissed from the stage after the program. Don't forget to buy your tickets if you haven't already.

Wednesday will be a pajama day. We would like to make mini gingerbread houses with the kids. If you would like to send in graham crackers(4 boxes), icing (several tubes), and small candies to decorate please let me know. Thanks!

The last week of school we will have a half day on that Friday. We will dismiss between 11:00-11:15. We are going to do a little Grinch party on the last day of school. We would love to have some Grinchy treats please let me know if you want to send something in.

Ms. Shannon

Ms. Angie's, Ms. Karabeth's, and Ms. Ribar's Primary Class

Wow!!! The holiday program is almost here. If you have not purchased your tickets yet, you may do so at the office. It is going to be an amazing and fun program. The children are loving the music and they have told us that many have been listening to and singing the songs at home also. Thank you for allowing that because the more they hear it, the better they are becoming at knowing all the words. Today was our best practice!! If you have any questions about their costumes, please let me know. I have seen so many of the costumes and the children are going to look and sound adorable.

Next week is a busy week for us BUT we do NOT need to bring lunch any day next week.

12/11*** Monday--Birthday lunch for Ria provided by her family.

12/12*** Tuesday--Holiday practice at the auditorium and children will drop off by 8:20 and pick up by 10:30. Birthday lunch for Robert provided by his family. Tuesday evening is the holiday program. Please make sure that your child has eaten, gone to the restroom, and dressed to perform before you bring them to us. We will send out more details as soon as we get them.

12/13*** Wednesday--We will have pajama day and will enjoy a movie in the morning time. Your child may wear his/her pajamas to school that morning. 🍷🍷🍷

Here is a list of our foods for Wednesday.

Sausage and biscuits---Robert

Chicken minis---Wyatt

Orange juice---Molly

Fruit tray---Cora

Christmas plates and napkins---Eva

Toast---Noah

Mini pancakes---Ms. Karabeth

Scrambled eggs---Ms. Angie

12/14***Thursday--Birthday lunch for Victoria provided by her family.

12/15***Friday--Last Day before the holidays. Dismissal is at 11:00. We will have a treat provided by Eva's family for her birthday. We will also have cookies provided by Wyatt's family.

Please be sure to send in a large bag with your child's name in it before next Friday. They will use them to bring all their goodies and gifts home. It is also a great time to check their extra clothes bin and replenish it with weather appropriate clothing.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know. Have a great week and let the festivities begin!!

Ms. Angie

Ms. Ortrud's, Ms. Camela's, and Ms. Trudy's Primary Class

Dear Parents,

Just a reminder for next week's events:

Tuesday, the 12th of December at 6pm we will have our Christmas program. Tickets may be pre-purchased from the office or you may purchase the night of. You will not want to miss it! Students should please come dressed as carolers in their Sunday best.

On Wednesday, December 13th we will have Pajama Day. Children will be able to wear their favorite PJs and we will have breakfast for lunch. In the morning we will be watching a Christmas movie and we are looking for somebody to bring in juice boxes to enjoy during the movie.

On Thursday, December 14th we have a Birthday Pizza party, so no need to pack a lunch.

On Friday, December 15th is a half day and students should be picked up at 11:00. We are looking forward to a relaxing and refreshing winter break!

Happy Holidays!

Ms. Ortrud

Ms. Robin's, Ms. Dolores's, and Ms. Rana's Lower Elementary Class

Our Elf field trip is tomorrow! Remember to pack your child a hearty snack that they can eat before we leave at 11:15. They will eat the rest of their lunches upon our return at 1:45. Students should wear their field trip shirts and khaki bottoms.

Our Muppet t-shirts are going to be adorable! Kim Headrick will be back drawing and helping to paint them all week. Students will wear the shirts with jeans for the performance. Jeans should be in good shape; no torn jeans or holes allowed.

Please also send in your child's favorite recipe so that we can begin our cooking project.

We will have a December birthday lunch this Friday, 12/8, to celebrate the birthdays of Lilah and Liam. Pizza, fruit, and cupcakes will be served; send a snack and water bottle for the day.

We have rehearsal at the Rome City Auditorium next Tuesday, 12/12. Please drop off your child at the auditorium that morning by 8:00am, and pick up by 10:30am. All students are encouraged to go home to rest before the evening performance. Drop-off for the show is at 5:30.

The countdown has begun! Have a good week.

Ms. Robin, Ms. Dolores, and Ms. Rana

Ms. Kathleen's and Ms. Anja's Upper Elementary Class

Dear families,

On Thursday, 12/7/23, our class will share the Christmas spirit through singing! We will visit the Renaissance Marquis Retirement Village in the afternoon. We are looking forward to a wonderful visit.

Our classroom Christmas Celebration is on Friday, December 15th. This day will be a half-day and dismissal will take place at 11:30am. On this day, your child may come dressed with pajamas on top of regular clothes. Please also send in two wrapped presents: one present (\$5) is for the Secret Santa and one present (\$15-\$20) is for the friend that was drawn in the raffle (each student knows the recipient of their gift). Please also send in juice and breakfast snacks that morning so we have plenty for the celebration.

Thank you very much!

Upper Elementary Guides