

*Weekly Notes May 22, 2024*  
*Office Notes*

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

- **Late Stay will end at 4:15pm tomorrow!!**
  - o **Late Stay Students must be picked up no later than 4:15 TOMORROW!**
- This Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> is our last day of the school year and will also be a half day! Dismissal schedule is as follows:

**DISMISSAL SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY, MAY 24<sup>th</sup>:**

- **11:00-11:15am** – Toddler
- **11:15-11:30am** – Primary
- **11:30-11:45am** – Lower Elementary
- **11:45am-12:00pm** – Upper Elementary
- **12:15-12:30pm** – Adolescent/Secondary

<b>Lost and Found as of 5/3/24</b>		
<b>Items Found</b>	<b>Manufacturer /tag Info</b>	<b>Size</b>
Blue Sweatshirt full zip hoodie	H&M	6X/7
Charcoal Fleece Quarter-Zip Pullover	The Childrens' Place	5T
Mustard V Neck Button Cardigan	Cat & Jack	S 6-6X
Navy fleece full zip cardigan	Columbia	XXS
Off white full zip hoodie w zipper pockets	Old Navy Active Dynamic Fleece	S 6-7
Charcoal w/ chartreuse full zip light weight jacket	Nike	4-5 years
Light Gray sweatshirt w full zip hoodie	The Childrens' Place	3T
Navy/royal blue poly full zip hooded jacket	Nike	3-4 yrs
Blue/Gray quarter zip pullover	carter's kid	12 K
Navy sweatshirt full zip hoodie	Polo Ralph Lauren	3-3T
MSOR Christmas Long Sleeve t-shirt	Gildan	Youth M
Gray Thermal 3 button t-shirt	Tommy Bahama	2T
Black Jersey U-neck t-shirt	32 HEAT	M
Black thermal long sleeve t-shirt	GEORGE	Adult M 38-40
Black t-shirt round neck	wonder nation	XL 14-16
Pale Yellow t-shirt with cat face /flower heat press applique	100-	child size ?
Brown Jacket fleece lined and fleece sleeves	North Face	S/P
Royal Blue Jacket w gray accents and fleece lining full zip	WEATHERPROOF	3T
Purple Quilted full zip & snaps jacket w/fleece lined hood	Disney Store	S 5-6

Please look for items that may belong to your child and claim them before we donate them to charity. Thanks!!

## **MSOR Graduation Details**

**Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024**

Congratulations to all of you; your child has reached completion of either the Primary, Elementary, or Adolescent Cycle and will be graduating! During the penmanship ceremony, we also take this opportunity to celebrate the mid-point accomplishment of our students moving from Lower to Upper Elementary. Regardless of the level of accomplishment, we are very excited for all of our graduates and you, our wonderful parents!

*Please keep this email handy as a reference for graduation details.*

**Graduation Date:** Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

**Group Picture Time:** 5:45pm **VERY IMPORTANT TO BE HERE BY THIS TIME**

**Graduation Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Graduation Location:** Shorter University Brookes Chapel | 315 Shorter Ave.

**Graduation Dress:** We adhere to the following dress code for graduation:

***Girls:*** *White or Ecrú dress and shoes. No strapless or spaghetti strap dress. No high heels.*

*Primary: flats or sandals with a strap across the heel.*

*Elementary: no more than 3/4 inch heel.*

*Sandals need to have a strap across the heel.*

***Boys:*** *White Oxford shirts, Khaki dress pants, Navy Jackets, with any colored standard or bowtie. Dress socks and dress shoes.*

**Floral:** We order small nosegays and boutonnieres from Bussey's Florist. They will be distributed at Shorter before pictures.

Class group photos will be made beginning at 5:45pm. **It is very important your child be with his or her teacher no later than 5:45pm in order to keep the process moving quickly.** Once you have dropped your child off with his or her teacher, families are encouraged to then go find seating for the ceremony.

**Music:** A simple chorale program will feature Primary, Elementary, and Adolescent students.

**Cost of graduation:** The cost of the photos are up to you depending on the package you select. The remaining cost of facility rentals, gift to the graduates, Penmanship pens, decorations (ferns), and programs are covered by Montessori School of Rome and the Booster Club.

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## *Important Graduation Information*

**All students participating in graduation should be dropped off at Brookes Chapel (Shorter University) at 8:00am on Thursday, May 23rd for rehearsal that morning.  
Rehearsal will begin promptly at 8:30am.**

Third Year Primary Parents – Please pick up your child from Brookes Chapel at 10:30am.

Elementary Parents – Please pick up your child from Brookes Chapel at 10:45am.

*Primary and Elementary students are encouraged to go home and rest for the day following rehearsal.*

Primary parents – if your child must return to school, please send something for him/her to rest on as they will have rest time at school.

**IMPORTANT:** Adolescent/Secondary students will not be dismissed following rehearsal and **MUST** return to school.

When returning that evening for Graduation, please leave your child with his/her teacher at Brookes Chapel **NO LATER THAN 5:45.** Group pictures will begin promptly at that time and we need all participating students present.

**Reminder:** Late Stay will end at 4:15pm on Thursday, May 23rd. All students must be picked up by this time!

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

Can you believe the end of the year is here? We are so proud of all our students for everything they have accomplished this year!

We are rounding out the final week of the year with more exciting activities each day. Today we enjoyed playing with shaving cream and making tie-dyed t-shirts. The students had so much fun!

Remember – no lunch is needed tomorrow or Friday. Tomorrow Eli's family is donating pizza for the class to celebrate the end of the year and Friday we will dismiss early (before lunchtime).

We have enjoyed another year with your little ones and we wish you a safe and fun summer!

Ms. Ginny & Ms. Kelly

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

I can't believe this is our final class notes for the year! It has been a fabulous year! Thank you so much for entrusting me, Kristen, and Rachel with your children. We have loved watching every lightbulb moment, giggle, grumble, and milestone. This is such a special group of kids. We will miss our kids who are rising to Primary and moving on to other schools. Wherever your path may lead, please keep in touch and know that you will always be a part of my Montessori family. I can't wait to see how our returning students grow over the summer.

This week has been extra crazy! I'm going to give a quick little run down so you will know what to expect.

Thursday-We will have our pajamas and movie day. They are welcome to bring a lovey to snuggle with. Please make sure pajamas are ok for the playground.

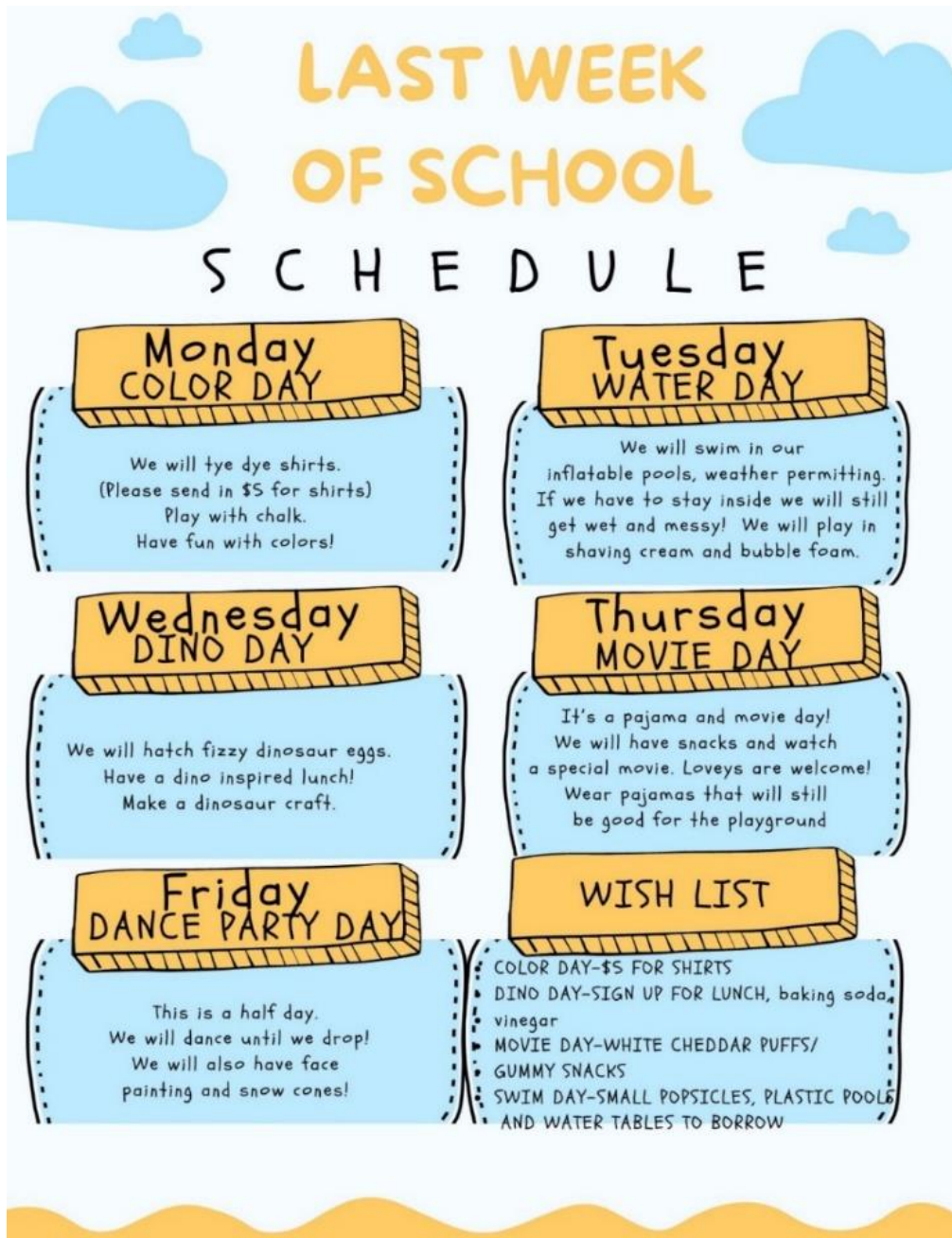
We will have lunch to celebrate Lilibeth's birthday.

Please send in a large bag so we can send all of their extra clothes and belongings home on Friday. Also if you have a child in late stay, they will need to be picked up no later than 4:15 so the staff can make it to graduation.

Friday-We will have a dance party. This will be a half day. We will dismiss from 11:00-11:15. If you will not be attending on Friday please let me know so I can get their things together on Thursday.

Once again, I would like to say thank you. Our classroom has been successful because of your support. We really appreciate the kind words, gifts, and support this year!! I hope you have a wonderful summer!

Ms. Shannon, Ms. Kristin, & Ms. Rachel



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

Dear families,

What a fantastic year we have had! We are rounding out the final week of school with lots of fun activities for our students, from tie-dying t-shirts to game day – the kiddos have so many exciting events happening!

Tomorrow, Thursday, is our MSOR Graduation. Third Year Graduation Rehearsal will take place at Brookes Chapel at Shorter University tomorrow morning. Third Year students should be dropped off at Brookes Chapel from 8:00-10:30am. Third Year students are encouraged to go home for the day to rest following rehearsal. First and Second Year students do not need to attend rehearsal and will report to school as regularly scheduled tomorrow. For more information about graduation, including time of arrival and dress, please see the Office notes above!

Don't forget – Friday is a half day! Primary students will dismiss from 11:15-11:30am. We have loved having your students this year and wish everyone a wonderful and safe summer!

Ms. Karabeth

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

Dear Parents,

What a great year we have had here at MSOR. Our first one here. It has been a true pleasure getting to know your children and you. As we wrap up we would like to thank you for all the small and big things you have done to support us and for letting us be a part of your child's journey.

We wish you a restful and relaxing summer break.

Looking forward to seeing all of you again in August.

Ms. Ortrud

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

Parents,

We've had a lot of fun this week! Twin Day was fun, and the students made a delicious fruit salad. Thank you to Kim Headrick and Jennie Pruitt for suggesting this activity, providing the fruit, and overseeing the fun. Thank you also to LaDonna Collins for stepping into the classroom mom job and organizing all of our monthly birthday celebrations. We couldn't do our jobs without all of our wonderful parents who are always ready to pitch in and help!

Dress up week schedule:

Wednesday, 5/22 - Dream Job Day - dress up as you would for your favorite occupation

Thursday, 5/23 - Dress up for graduation tonight! (See office notes above.)

Friday, 5/24 - Sports/Beach Day - dress in sporty clothes or modest beachy attire for field day. Sneakers are required - no sandals or flip flops

The students had an extra music practice today to rehearse for graduation. They sound great, and we encourage everyone to come to graduation on Thursday evening to hear them perform. Don't forget that Thursday is rehearsal day at the Brookes Chapel on the Shorter University campus. Drop-off is at 8:00am. Pick up at 10:30 am. All Elementary students are encouraged to go home and rest after morning rehearsal. Third year students should be back at Shorter for group photos at 5:45 pm sharp. Younger students here to sing and show support for their friends should arrive before the program begins at 6:30.

Please return any stray library books to school.

Please send a large, sturdy, labeled bag to school for packaging end of the year items to return home.

Friday is a half day. Lower Elementary pick up time is 11:30-11:45. Summer homework packets will go home on Friday.

Thank you for sharing your children with us. Have a wonderful summer!

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

### *Ms. Kathleen's and Ms. Leighan's Upper Elementary Class*

Dear Montessori Families,

Plato famously said, "The direction in which education starts a man will determine his future life." Witnessing a Montessori child grow and thrive in the upper elementary environment is truly a miraculous thing. Intelligent and empowered, your children have grown in work ethic, independence, and leadership. We believe that these are invaluable tools that children will utilize for the rest of their lives.

It has been an honor to guide your children this past year. The importance of their care and education is not lost on us and we are so proud of the progress that our class has made. This group is strong yet kind, independent yet collaborative, and intelligent yet humble.

Have a beautiful and restful summer full of family fun!

Ms. Kathleen