

Weekly Notes January 7, 2025

Office Notes

Be Sure to Mark Your Calendars for These Important Dates!

- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School)** – Monday, January 20th
- **International Day (Toddler & Primary)** – Thursday, February 6th
- **International Day (Elementary)** – Friday, February 7th
- **Parent/Teacher Conferences (School in Session)** – Friday, March 7th

Spring Semester Clubs – Sign Up Today!

- **Creative Movement Club**
 - Toddlers – Tuesdays 2:45-3:15
 - Primary – Tuesdays 3:30-4:00
- **Art Club**
 - Toddlers – Thursdays 2:15-2:45
 - Primary – Thursdays 3:00-3:30
 - Lower & Upper Elementary – Tuesdays 3:00-4:00
- **Spanish Club**
 - Primary – Thursdays 2:30-3:00
 - Lower & Upper Elementary – Wednesdays 3:15-4:00
- **Chess Club**
 - Lower & Upper Elementary – Tuesdays 3:15-4:15
- **Dungeons & Dragons Club**
 - Upper Elementary & Adolescent – Mondays 4:30-5:30

Calling All World Travelers!

One of our favorite times of year at MSOR is International Day! This year, International Day will take place on February 6th (Toddler/Primary) and February 7th (Elementary). Leading up to International Day, our classrooms take a deep dive into the study of their chosen countries. One of the things we love to do is hear from someone who has lived in, has visited, or has artifacts from a country being studied. If you or someone you know has ties to any of the following countries and would like to share about this experience with our students, please let us know! We would love to invite them in to provide that extra element of education for our students. Thank you!

Australia, Brazil, Ecuador, Greece, Ireland, or the Ancient Mayan/Aztec Civilizations

Breakfast Box is Back! Sign Up Today!

The Adolescent & Secondary Programs are excited to offer Breakfast Box again for the Spring Semester!

For those who are new to MSOR, our Adolescent & Secondary students manage microbusinesses in an effort to raise funds for international travel. One of these microbusinesses is called Breakfast Box - this subscription-based service will provide breakfast for your child inside his or her classroom on Fridays. All of the information, including pricing and dates, are included on the flyer and sign-up form below.

If you wish to sign your child up for Breakfast Box please complete the attached sign-up form and return to your child's teacher or the Office. The deadline for sign-up and payment is Monday, January 13th and the first day of Breakfast Box is Friday, January 17th. We look forward to serving your child a delicious breakfast this semester!



BREAKFAST BOX



IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION!

LET US TAKE CARE OF BREAKFAST FOR YOUR CHILD ONCE A WEEK! BUY A BREAKFAST BOX SUBSCRIPTION, AND YOUR CHILD CAN LOOK FORWARD TO BREAKFAST WAITING FOR THEM IN THEIR CLASSROOM ON FRIDAYS.

-KALEB PEARSON & MS. ARIANA

SPRING SEMESTER DATES SERVED: JANUARY 17, 24, 31... FEBRUARY 7, 14, 21, 28... MARCH 7, 14, 21, 28... APRIL 4, 18, 25... MAY 2!

BISCUIT MEAL

\$115

JANUARY-MAY

- Chick-Fil-A Chicken Biscuit
- Go-Gurt Yogurt
- Banana
- 100% Caprisun Juice

Deadline to order for the spring is Monday Jan 13!

We are excited to serve you again!

Thank you for supporting the Adolescents by signing up for our microbusiness clubs! Funds raised from Breakfast Box will help us travel to Argentina in Spring 2025! Thank you for helping us explore the world around us!

contact Kaleb at

pearska@msor.org

with any questions!

MUFFIN MEAL

\$85

JANUARY-MAY

- Entenmann's Little Bites Muffin Pack
- Go-Gurt Yogurt
- Banana
- 100% Caprisun Juice

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR MICROBUSINESS!

DROP OFF YOUR ORDER FORM AND PAYMENT AT THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN JANUARY 13, 2025! WE ACCEPT CASH (PREFERRED) OR CHECK: PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT TO "MSOR ADOLESCENTS" - THANK YOU!

BREAKFAST BOX

SPRING SUBSCRIPTION ORDER FORM

DATE RECEIVED _____ PAYMENT _____

ORDER INFORMATION

STUDENT NAME: _____

CLASSROOM/TEACHER _____

ORDER DETAILS

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR SUBSCRIPTION CHOICE!



BISCUIT MEAL \$115

- CHICK-FIL-A CHICKEN BISCUIT
- GO-GURT YOGURT
- BANANA
- 100% CAPRISUN JUICE



MUFFIN MEAL \$85

- ENTENMANN'S LITTLE BITES MUFFIN PACK
- GO-GURT YOGURT
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PAYMENT INFORMATION

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Chess Club Sign-Ups Are Now Open!



Hosted by: Adolescent & Secondary Students
Benjamin Cramer and Luca Angio-Stina

First Session: January 13

Open to Lower & Upper Elementary Students!
Tuesdays 3:15- 4:15 pm in Ms. Maggie's room
Cost: \$150 per semester

NEW STRATEGIES!
NEW OPENINGS!
... AND MORE!

THANK YOU
for joining Chess Club last semester. We would love for you to return!
All funds raised will help us get to travel to Argentina in the spring!

Please drop off your sign in sheet and payment to the office by January 10th, 2024.
We accept cash or check. Please make all checks payable to: "MSOR Adolescents"

Chess Club Sign Up Form



Open to Lower & Upper Elementary Students!
Tuesdays 3:15- 4:15 pm in Ms. Maggie's room

First Session: January 13

Name: _____

Class: _____

Semester Cost 150\$: _____

We accept Cash or Check. Please make all check payments to MSOR Adolescents

Please submit all forms and payments by Friday 1/10/25

Art Club Information is Coming Home Soon...

We are putting some finishing touches on our sign-up form for the Spring Semester of Art Club, including pick-up times and pricing, so keep an eye out for the final announcement very soon! On behalf of Ms. Shemi and the Adolescent & Secondary students, we apologize for the delay and we appreciate your patience and understanding. Be on the lookout!

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

¡Hola! Welcome back to school in 2025. We hope everyone had a great Christmas break and enjoyed their family time. We're excited to be back in school. This month, we are preparing for International Day on Thursday, February 6th. We are studying the country of Brazil in South America. We'll be speaking the language, dancing to their music, and learning about what makes Brazil, Brazil! If you have any artifacts or books or objects from Brazil that you'd like to share with our class, we promise to take extra-special care of them! :)

Just a few housekeeping reminders: as long as the weather feels above 32 degrees, we will be going outside. Please make sure all jackets and outerwear are labeled. Some students would benefit from having their own pair of mittens (we recommend mittens over gloves because the children are more likely able to independently put on their own mittens versus the gloves with all the fingers!). If you'd like to practice with your child independently putting on their own jackets, you can watch a video [here](#) on how we teach it at school.

Thank you so much for making us feel loved during Christmas!

Ms. Shannon's, Ms. Kristin's, & Ms. LaKosta's Toddler Class

Happy New Year! We are so excited to be back. The kids are working on getting back into routine this week. We have started our study of Australia to prepare for International Day on February 6th. You'll want to mark your calendars to be here for lunch. International Day is a very special day at Montessori. We will dress in costume, tell you what we've learned about Australia, perform a few songs, and eat some Australian tucker(food)! It's a fun day! I'll send more specifics soon.

We have several children who don't have winter clothes in their cubbies. Please send those in as soon as you can. Also please send in diapers to restock. Children need to have coats, mittens, and hats. You are welcome to leave these in their cubbies if you like so they don't have to go back and forth each day. Make sure to label everything you send in.

Please join our class Remind if you haven't done so already. If you were in my class last year, you need to join each year. I use the Remind text thread so that I can send quick messages like birthday lunches and little reminders, or if we were to have bad weather this week then I can send you updates. To join my Remind text, you need to send a text message that says @7h97gk9 to the number 81010. You can also text me through the app.

Ms. Angie's & Ms. Karabeth's Primary Class

Welcome back and happy 2025! It's off to a great start!

The weather is getting very chilly outside, so please remember to label all cold weather items for your child.

We have been diving into Greece as the classroom gets ready for International Day on February 6th. Our students are very excited and Greece is always a fun country to study. We will be sending a note home this weekend with more information about plans for International Day, so keep an eye out!

We are looking forward to an incredible 2025!

Ms. Ortrud's & Ms. Rana's Primary Class

We hope everyone had a wonderful winter break! Everyone is excited to be back. We are jumping right into things and 2025 is off to a great start.

We are beginning our study of Ecuador in preparation for International Day. We are excited to explore the country and learn more about the culture!

Reminder: With the cold weather here, please remember to send your child in with appropriate winter coats, gloves, mittens, etc., as we will make every effort to go outside each day. Please also remember to label all items so we can make sure cold weather items are returned to the right person. Thank you!

Lower Elementary Class

Welcome back, and Happy New Year!

We're diving straight into our study of Ireland for International Day. If you have any family members or friends from Ireland, we would love to invite them to visit our class. Anyone who has traveled there and has stories or items of interest to share are also welcome. Please let us know if you can help with this. Please send in any extra cardboard boxes for our classroom construction project. We have a list of delicious looking Irish dishes and will publish a Sign-Up Genius with links to recipes for our International Day Irish luncheon.

Homework and spelling lists will come home on Friday. Our Junior Great Books work will be an Irish story that we will share with all students. Follow-up work will be differentiated and we may send some home if needed.

Please make sure that your children come to school dressed for winter weather. They must have warm coats and sneakers to play on the playground.

Have a good week,

Ms. Maggie & Ms. Robin

Upper Elementary Class

Here are the notes from Ms. Shemi for Upper El's section in Weekly Notes!

Happy New Year, and Welcome Back! We hope you had a joyful and restful holiday break.

Cold/Inclement Weather:

The temperatures have quickly dropped below freezing- please make sure students bundle up and dress for the weather! We are still taking them outside to walk a few laps in the afternoons, so please send them in winter coats, hats, gloves, etc.!

Be prepared for the possibility of inclement weather this Friday- any and all official updates will come from the office, if necessary.

Carpool:

Thank you, parents, for showing up on time to pick students up at the end of the day! Now that everyone is arriving early, please be reminded that our pick-up window begins promptly at 3:00pm and ends at 3:10pm. If you arrive early, and you notice that the car line is backing up onto Dodd, please either 1. pull around to the primary gate and let us bring them across to you, or 2. park in the parking lot and let us know where to find you! Let's continue to keep our parking lot safe for all drivers and pedestrians. Thank you!

Academics:

We are reviewing for our Classical Roots book test, which will occur next Friday, January 17. We are sending home word lists for students to study from. 6th years should be prepared to take their last chapter test this week and then prepare for their book test next week.

Tennis:

Tennis will resume NEXT WEEK for both groups. There is NO tennis on Thursday and Friday this week.

This Friday:

If we are here this Friday, Ms. Shemi plans on taking Upper El ice skating in the afternoon! We will send out more information separately.