

Dolphin Tales

May 6, 2025

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May Birthdays

Ms. LaKosta	5/3	A.J. H.	5/21
Henry F.	5/4	Evan H.	5/27
Joy A.	5/8	Braydon M.	5/27
Gus C.	5/10	Charlie R.	5/28
Salem E.	5/11	Ms. Rana	5/28
Eli H.	5/12	Ms. Leigh Ann	5/28
Benjamin C.	5/12	Dev S.	5/29
Dia S.	5/14	Ms. Karabeth	5/29
Parks H.	5/17	Lyla L.	5/30

Summer Birthdays

Abigail S.	6/1	Mr. Jim	6/18	Shawn H.	7/10
Molly H.	6/7	Cora K.	6/19	Jocy J.	7/15
Kingston D.	6/7	Ira June S.	6/19	Marissa G.	7/16
Ms. Shannon	6/8	Ben M.	6/20	Wanting C.	7/21
Cecilia M.	6/9	Ms. Lelia	6/23	Fateh S.	7/22
Ms. Ribar	6/11	Arhaan P.	6/24	Joy S.	7/22
Ayati S.	6/12	Ella R.	6/25	Maverick R.	7/27
Clayton H.	6/16	Merritt P.	7/6	Grace H.	7/28

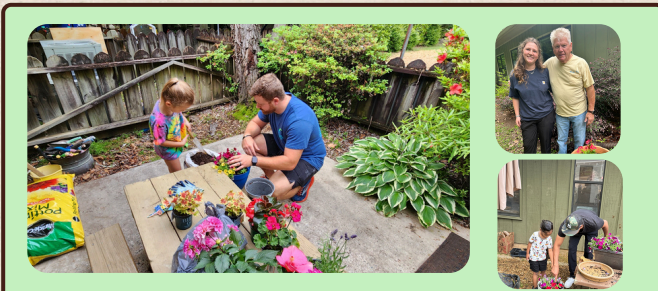
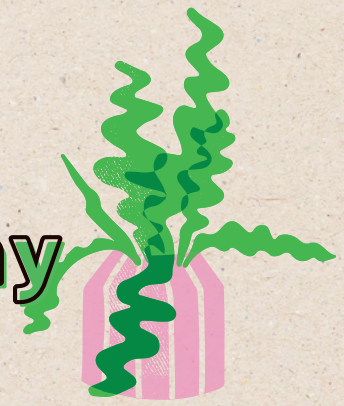
Important Dates

May 9 th	THIRD YEAR ONLY Primary Field Trip to Creative Discovery Museum
May 16 th	Toddler Field Trip – Tennessee Aquarium
May 16 th	Primary Fun Day (TBD)
May 22 nd	Graduation
May 23 rd	Last Day of School (1/2 Day)

On 5/22 Late Stay will end at 4:15pm (all students must be picked up by this time)

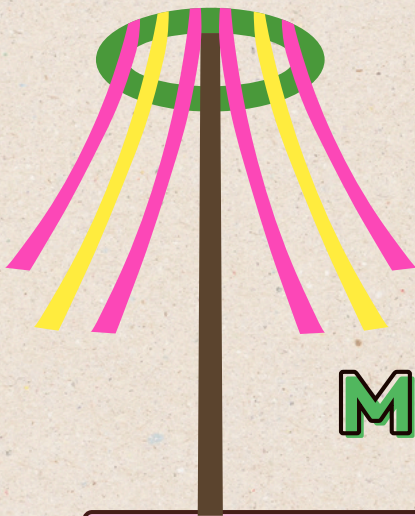


Gardening & Special Person's Day



Friday, April 25th 2025





May Day & Mother's Day Program



Thursday, May 1st 2025

MSOR Summer Camp

Come Join the Fun!

Reserve Your Spot!

Camp is run by Ms. Shemi, The Adolescent & Secondary Students, and Adult Camp Guides.



Camp Eligibility:

Toddlers & Primary Camp - We welcome all MSOR potty trained toddler students up to rising Primary Third Years.

Elementary Camp - We welcome all MSOR Lower and Upper Elementary Students.

Daily Camp Theme

MYSTERY, DAY OF ADVENTURE, TRAVEL, SPY/ SECRET AGENT, MUSIC, DANCE, FANTASY, SPORTS, MAGIC, SCIENCE, ANIMALS, WATER DAY, AROUND THE WORLD. & CREATIVE PLAYHOUSE.

Camp Dates

This summer our class is offering 2 - two week sessions of Traditional MSOR Summer Camp

Session 1 - June 2 - June 13

Session 2 - July 21 - Aug. 1

This year we are offering a few **NEW** specialized student experience camps.

- **Art Camp June 16 -20**
- **Makers Camp - June 23 - 28**
- **Back to Nature - SLEEP AWAY Camp - Information coming soon.**

See additional flyer for eligibility details and pricing for Art, Makers, and Sleep Away Camps.

- Sign up for one week or better yet, both sessions!
- **Camp Hours: 8:30 to 3:00.** Late Stay is available for an additional charge.
- **Cost: \$200 for one week or \$375 for two weeks (one session).** Checks made payable to MSOR Adolescents/ Secondary.
- Parents provide lunch. We provide snacks.
- If you want to attend for a single day (space permitting), the cost will be \$60 for the day.

MSOR Summer Camp Staff can also help elementary students complete their Summer Homework. There is an additional fee of \$50 for this service. We work one on one with students to formulate a plan and accomplish summer reading, math and writing homework. Campers will get a full day of fun and during quiet time we work on unfinished summer work. Additional details are available upon request.



All proceeds from MSOR Camp '25 will help us reach our financial goals to travel to Japan.

Summer Art Camp 2025!

June 16- June 20, 2025

Hosted by The Art Club

Lead Contact: ashlete@msor.org

*Elementary
only!*

Yes, I would like for my child (In upper or Lower Elementary ONLY)

_____ to attend the Summer Art Camp on June 16
through June 20 for \$275. 8:30AM-2:30PM.

Student Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Allergies: _____

Total Payment Due: \$_____ Cash: \$_____ or Check: \$_____

Checks may be made payable to MSOR adolescents

DETAILS:

- If your child will be in late stay, it will be an extra payment of \$10 a day.
- Our outing will be Friday, June 20. We will be going to the Booth Museum in Cartersville and having lunch there. Then we will go to Dellinger Park.
- All supplies are provided as well as snacks during the day. Lunch is NOT provided please send your child with lunch.
- There will only be 13 slots available in order to fill our rental van efficiently, so if you are interested please do not wait!

Important Graduation Information

**All students participating in graduation should be dropped off at Brookes Chapel (Shorter University) at 8:00am on Thursday, May 22nd 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.

Graduation Dress:

Girls: White or Ecru 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 $\frac{3}{4}$ 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.

Reminder: Late Stay will end at 4:15pm on Thursday, May 22nd.
All students must be picked up no later than 4:15pm!

A Message from Ms. Angela:

Remember to practice your songs for graduation!





Graduation Portraits

Montessori School of Rome 2025

Graduation Pictures

Pictures will be taken on: May 22nd, 2025 at Shorter College.
You are welcome to purchase more than one package for the same price on the day of pictures. All packages are to be prepaid. Make checks payable to Classic Impressions. If you have any questions about your photos please call us at Classic Impressions.

Package A: \$40.00

1(5x7)

4(3 ½ x5s)

1-5x7 group

Package B: \$40.00

1(5x7)

2(3 ½ x 5)

8 wallets

1-5x7 group

5x7 Group Only: \$12

Additional Prints After a Package is Purchased:

8x10- \$15

1-5x7- \$12

8-wallets-\$15.00

Pictures taken by:

Classic Impressions
P O R T R A I T S T U D I O

1108 North Fifth Ave. Rome Ga 30165

Phone: 706-234-6242

We thank you for allowing us to
photograph your child/children.

Parent's

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone number: _____

Portrait of: _____

Extra Package: _____

Student Name: _____

Total: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Class Name: _____

Sign-Ups for Graduation Portraits are now open! Please click the link below to select a time. If the list fills up and you are not able to select a time, please contact Ms. Jamie directly to schedule a time.

Please submit with the sign-up form is below!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COF4EA4A62BA5FDC61-56599106-msor>

Lost & Found

ATTENTION:

Any items not claimed by Friday, May 23rd will be donated!



Cat & Jack
Size: 4T



Nike
Size: 4-5 Years



Cat & Jack
Size: 5T



SHEIN
Size: 5 Years



Nike Dri-Fit
Size: S



Jumping Beans
Size: 4T
"Clay" on tag



Carter's
Size: 5/5A



GAP
Size: 5 Years



Magellan
Size: S



Xersion
Size: M 10/12



Station Wagon
Tumbler



Purple Thermos/
Water Bottle



Wonder Nation
Size: 5T



SO Size Small
Butterfly Pullover



Rumi + Ryder
Size: 2T



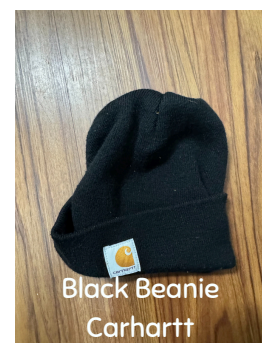
BJK Brown Vest



Black Beanie
(No Brand)



Black Beanie
(No Brand)



Black Beanie
Carhartt



Misc. Accessories

Toddler News

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



★ What's Happening This Month...

We had a great month of April studying bugs and insects. Gardening Day brightened up our patio and May Day is a beautiful way to welcome in the month of May. May is an exciting but bittersweet month here at MSOR. We will begin our study of the ocean and ocean animals during the month. We will culminate our study with a field trip to the Tennessee Aquarium on Friday, May 16th. Please purchase tickets [at this link](#) for 9:30AM. This time slot will sell out so please purchase now if you haven't already.

Wednesday, May 21st is our Toddler Water Day. If you have a small inflatable pool or a water table you would let us borrow, we would love to use it for the day. Toddler Swim Day is a fun, wet morning for our toddlers to welcome in summer. They get to splash in the water tables and small inflatable pools with their friends before we end our session for the summer. You will send your child to school in a bathing suit with sunscreen already applied. Please send in a complete change of clothes (don't forget shoes!) and a towel, all labeled with your child's name. If you'd like to donate a box or two of popsicles, please let me know. Also, we'd love to have a picnic sandwich lunch that day.



Last Day of School...

Our last day of school is Friday, May 23rd. This is a half day of school. We will dismiss by 11:00AM that day. If you do not plan on attending the last day, please let me know so we can gather your child's belongings together before summer break. Thank you so much for a wonderful school year and let's enjoy this last month of school!



Toddler News

Ms. Shannon's, Ms. Kristin's, and Ms. LaKosta's Class



★ What's Happening This Month...

Can you believe it is our final month of school? This year has flown by! May is a very busy month! We will be making a splash in May! The children will learn that different oceans have different temperatures and therefore different creatures. We will have lots of fun water lessons, such as sink and float and seashell scrubbing. Of course, we will make some cute crafts and learn new songs. Our outing to the Tennessee Aquarium is the perfect ending to Ocean Month. The children get so excited to see the creatures that they have been learning about. Our outing is Friday, May 16th, and our slot is at 9:30. If you haven't bought your tickets yet, I would do so as soon as possible. They will sell out. I'm not sure how many tickets are available at the door if you don't purchase them online. We will meet there and tour the aquarium. Lunch is on your own because the children are normally getting tired by that point and ready for a nap. Some people choose to come back after lunch and spend more time, but it is up to each family. There will not be school for anyone who chooses not to attend that day. The last week of school will be a fun-filled week! I will send out a separate email with that information. We will tie-dye shirts, have a dino day, swim, have a PJ and movie day, and dance until we drop!



Primary News

Ms. Ortrud's and Ms. Rana's Class

Educating and Schooling...★

Dear Parents,

Education and schooling are related but distinct concepts.

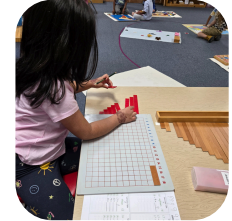
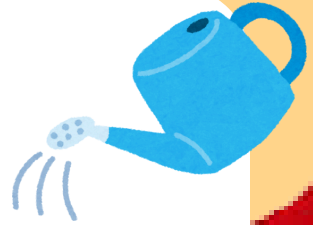
Education is the broader process of acquiring knowledge, skills, values, and understanding throughout life, happening in many settings—at home, in communities, through experiences, and formal instruction. It is continuous and lifelong.

Schooling, on the other hand, specifically refers to the structured, formal instruction that typically takes place in schools. It is usually standardized, organized by age or grade level, and often tied to certifications and diplomas.

While schooling is one way to receive education, true education extends far beyond the classroom.

For further reading, please follow this link

<https://montessori-ami.org/trainingvoices/educating-and-schooling>



Primary News

Ms. Angie's and Ms. Karabeth's Class



★How To Help Your Child Prepare For The End of The School Year...

"School is almost out for the summer! As adults, we look back nostalgically at those last days of school before summer break. The sports days, the outdoor gym classes, the anticipation of hot days playing outside, riding bikes, running through the sprinkler once school was over for the year; those were great times! But your child may not be approaching summer and the closing of the school year with the same optimism. For many preschool and pre-k children, it is a time of saying goodbye to their teachers and their classroom buddies. For some students, staying engaged in schoolwork is a challenge. Here are our tips for getting through the final month and preparing for the end of the school year..."

Read more here:

<https://calgarypreschools.ca/blog/How+To+Help+You+r+Child+Prepare+For+The+End+Of+The+School+Year/108>



Lower El News

Ms. Robin's and Ms. Maggie's Class

Dr. Maria Montessori considered the outdoor environment an extension of the indoor classroom. She believed that being in nature and interacting with it is crucial for the child's [physical and emotional development](#).

"The land is where our roots are," Dr. Montessori wrote. "The children must be taught to feel and live in harmony with the Earth."

Gardening is a wonderful way for children to connect with nature and nurture living things. It provides multiple learning opportunities when studying parts of seeds, flowers and plants. Young students get to see life sprout from almost nothing to the beautiful plant that grows with each passing day. Gardening also helps children learn social responsibility and practical life skills.

Here are some of the great benefits that gardening offers Montessori students:

- Sensational Gardening-Gardening offers children a complete range of sensory experiences. From the colors of the fruit to the feel of the produce to the smells of flowers or the sounds of rustling shrubs.

- Gardening as a Science-Children get involved in counting, measuring, and evaluating the amount of light the plant will receive.

- Love for Nature- As children are spending more and more time indoors, gardening is a beautiful way to reconnect with nature and catch up on all the developmental opportunities they would have missed otherwise.

- Encouraging Healthy Eating- By growing healthy fruits and vegetables, kids will be compelled to enjoy these healthy treats, making healthy nutrition a daily habit.

- Learning to Accept Loss and Failure- Through gardening, young students can also begin to process the effects of loss and failure.

Thank you for helping make our garden area beautiful. Our space is full of life and we enjoy taking care of it each day.

Our students had a great time on the 4-H trip! They enjoyed the classes, cabins, and cafeteria. Thank you to all of our chaperones/drivers. You all were a very big help and made this trip a success.



UPPER EL. NEWS

The Gift

The gift of a Montessori year allows students to develop critical thinking skills, cultivate a deep love of learning through independence and collaboration, and become responsible, confident learners.

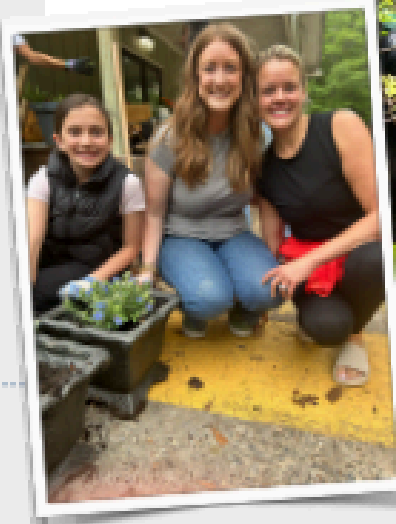
Growth

Upper elementary students often grow like sea stars, expanding steadily in all directions. The fourth years have now become fifth years, the fifth years are excited about stepping into leadership roles, and the sixth years continue to show impressive growth. Supporting their development fills us with pride.

Graduation

"Independence is not doing your own thing, but discovering your own thing." Dr. Montessori
This quote reminds me true independence isn't just about doing what you want, but rather about discovering your unique path and purpose in life. It encourages individuals to explore their interests, passions, and talents to find what truly fulfills them and gives their life meaning.

The Gift | Growth | Graduation



Nature Nurtures Us!

As April showers nourish the earth, allowing vibrant May flowers to bloom, so too do our students flourish and grow.

The lessons we impart throughout the year serve as seeds, carefully sown to cultivate their knowledge and spark curiosity. With each class, we water and nurture their spirits, fostering a rich environment where they can truly thrive and reach their full potential.

Thanks to our beautiful students, the joy of teaching is truly felt in May.

