



MONTESSORI SCHOOL of ROME

Weekly Notes April 28, 2026

Office Announcements

Mark Your Calendars for These Important Dates Coming Up!

- **ITBS Testing (Grades 2-8 only)**
 - This week!
- **May Day / Mother's Day Program**
 - Friday, May 1st
- **Third Year Primary Field Trip to Booth Western Art Museum**
 - Friday, May 8th
- **Primary Field Day**
 - Friday, May 15th
- **Graduation Ceremony**
 - Thursday, May 21st – 6:30pm at Shorter University [Brookes Chapel]

May Day Information:

🌸 May Day & Mother's Day Program - Friday, May 1st 🌸

Dear MSOR families,

You are cordially invited to our annual May Day & Mother's Day program taking place next Friday morning, May 1st. This is a very special annual tradition here at Montessori School of Rome and the students have spent weeks rehearsing a choral performance to share with everyone.

Below are some important reminders for May Day:

- The program will begin promptly at 8:30am, so your child will need to be dropped off no later than 8:10am. Our parking lots and driveways will close to all traffic at 8:15am.
- The program takes place in front of the main building in the parking lot.
 - No one will be allowed to park in the lower parking lot (the parking lot in front of the office). Park only in the Upper Parking Lot.
 - It is a good idea to get to the school early since the Upper parking lot fills up quickly. You are welcome to bring a lawn chair to sit in while you enjoy the program.

- Our driveways will be closed off beginning at 8:15am. No one may enter or exit our campus after this time and until the program reaches completion. This is for the safety of our students and faculty as the performance will take place outside.
- Everyone will need to bring in a branch of May to exchange with another child at the end of the program. A branch of May could be a flower from your front yard or the store.
 - Please note the branch of May that you send with your child is not the one that your child will bring home with them at the end.
 - At the end of the program, we will sing a song while holding a branch of May and then exchange the branch of May with a friend.
- The children will need to wear their "Sunday Best" for the program.
 - Clean khakis, dress shirts, dresses, etc. are fine.
 - You may also send in a change of clothes if you do not want your child to wear their nice clothing on the playground as we will resume our regular academic day following the event.
- The program lasts around an hour. After May Day we invite our mothers or special women in your child's life to have lemonade and cookies with us.

Lost & Found:

Missing something? Contact Ms. Jamie to view our Lost & Found! Remember to always label items with your child's name so we can make sure items go home with the right person.

Bug Spray & Sunscreen Reminder:

The warm weather of Spring is here! If you prefer your child use bug spray and/or sunscreen this time of year we kindly ask that it be applied prior to dropping off your child in the morning. If your child is enrolled in our Late Stay program and you wish for bug spray and/or sunscreen to be reapplied for the afternoon hours, please send these items (clearly labeled with your child's name) in to the Office. Please note that we will not apply bug spray and/or sunscreen to your child unless you have sent these items in clearly labeled with your child's name.

Changes of Clothes:

On the topic of warm weather, it is also time to switch out your Toddler/Primary child's change of clothes with something more seasonally appropriate. Please send in a warm weather change of clothes for your child's cubby and the cooler weather clothing will be sent home!

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Ms. Ginny's, Ms. Stephanie's, & Ms. Gracie's Toddler Class

I just wanted to thank you are for coming to Special person/Gardening Day and enjoying time with your child. Thank you for providing the beautiful flowers, potting soil, mulch, buckets and shovels, playground balls, play sand and a new bubble machine! It is all greatly appreciated and our patio looks beautiful!! The children will love watering the flowers! A special thanks to Andrew (Ruby's dad) for getting all the pots ready and placing everything around! Also, a big thanks to Wyatt (my former student), Davis's brother for spreading our mulch and cleaning up all the tables and floor after everyone planted! It was all such a big help!!

We look forward to seeing everyone this Friday at 8:30am for our May Day / Mother's Day program. **Please see above for all of the information from the Office.** Be sure to drop your child off by 8:10am and find a parking place in the Upper lot. Students should wear their Sunday best!

On Monday, May 4th, Jack's parents are providing a pizza lunch for our classroom to celebrate Jack's 3rd birthday!! 🍕🎂🍷 No lunches will be needed on Monday!

A big thank you to all of you for all you do to help out with our classroom!!

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

We are continuing with our insect unit this week. We have been discussing the life cycles of different insects. This week, we have also talked about the life cycle of the frog. Spring is the perfect time to discuss these processes because so many creatures have their babies this time of year.

May Day is this Friday, May 1st. This is our celebration for our Moms! The program will begin at 8:30. All children should arrive between 8 and 8:10. The parking lot will be closed to all traffic at 8:15 to allow for setup. Parking will be at a premium. There is no parking along the fence edge in our parking lot that day. After you have dropped your child off, find a space to watch the program. Some parents bring chairs to sit in. Please try to be inconspicuous if you have a child who will cry when they see you. All children will perform at this event. They will need to come dressed in nice clothes, similar to what you would wear to church (girls usually wear dresses, and boys wear collared shirts and shorts or pants). They will need a stemmed flower or a flowering branch. It can be from your yard or from a bouquet. They will exchange these "branches of May" at the end of the program. Moms are invited back to the classroom for a snack and to receive the gifts that they have made for you. I have had some parents ask about the duration, plan to be here for an hour and a half to two hours. You are welcome to take your child with you afterwards.

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

What a great year we have had. It is sad to see it coming to close. But... we have so many things happening to keep us busy for the next few weeks.

~~ We have Mother's Day/ May Day on Friday, May 1st. Your child should wear their Sunday best. Our program begins at 8:30. Immediately following, moms should join us for lemonade and cookies and a special gift made by your precious little one. He/she should bring a Branch of May to share with their friends on Friday. Office will send out more details.

~~ Thursday, May 7th no lunch is needed. We will celebrate Jeb's birthday with a lunch that day.

~~ Friday, May 8th we have third year field trip to the Booth Museum. More details to come. This is only for Third Years. Your child's day of graduation field trip will come. 😊

It is only going to get busier so hold on.

Thanks for making this a great year.

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

Thank you to everyone who came and joined us Friday for Gardening Day. We enjoyed sharing our time with you and your child beautifying the patio garden, making crafts, and eating ice cream together.

This Friday we hope you will be able to join us in the morning to celebrate May Day then come inside for a Mother's Day treat.

Thank you,

Ms. Ortrud and Ms. Rana

Ms. Robin's Lower Elementary Class

Parents,

Thank you for getting your children to school early for testing today. We will continue tomorrow so please be sure to drop off all students early (7:30-7:40). All students should finish testing tomorrow.

First year homework is due on Wednesday. Homework will go home for all students on Thursday.

Thank you to all parents who donated plants and beautified our outdoor space on gardening day. The flowers are blooming and they are very happy after this morning's rain. We've continued our botany studies this week, learning about the needs of the plant and photosynthesis.

We're looking forward to May Day! Please remember to have students dress nicely for our performance. Any sandals worn must be flat with heel straps. Please make sure to send a change of clothes for the YMCA. Students should bring a branch of may to exchange following our program.

Have a good week,

Robin

Ms. Maggie's Lower Elementary Class

Good afternoon,

Thank you to the Bruen Family for the owl pellet. The students really enjoyed this activity!

Thank you for the beautiful flowers! Our patio looks great and we are enjoying the area.

Homework will go home on Thursday and is due on Wednesday, May 6th.

May Day is on Friday! Please dress in your "Sunday Best." Students also need to bring in a branch of May to exchange with another child at the end of the program. Our program begins at 8:30 a.m. in the primary parking lot and usually lasts an hour. After May Day, we invite our special guests to have lemonade and cookies with us in Ms. Robin's room. Please bring a change of clothing for after the program.

Ms. Maggie