



MONTESSORI SCHOOL of ROME

Weekly Notes September 22, 2026

Office Announcements

International Day of Peace

Yesterday we joined Montessori students around the world in celebrating International Day of Peace! Peace begins with each of us- with the way we speak to one another, the way we listen, the way we help a friend, and the way we choose kindness even when something is difficult. As we sang "Light a Candle for Peace" today, we remembered that our voices are more than just music. They are a reminder that children everywhere can help make our world a more peaceful, loving, and beautiful place. 🕊️🌍🕯️

[Click here to view a video of our students performing of "Light a Candle for Peace".](#)

Health Notice

Dear MSOR families:

Today we had two Primary students who went home feeling unwell. These two students were experiencing extreme fatigue and fever. One of these students also mentioned some stomach pain. There is no diagnosis at this time, but we wish to make you aware out of precaution. If your child is exhibiting any symptoms of illness, please take precaution and keep them home until they are 24-hours symptom-free. Thank you!

2025-2026 Yearbooks For Sale!

Missed out on buying a 2025-2026 yearbook? Don't worry! The Office has a few extra copies left up for grabs. The cost is \$25.00 and these available are first-come, first-served. Contact Ms. Jamie today to reserve your copy. Keep in mind - Once they're gone, they're gone!

Mark Your Calendars for These Important Dates Coming Up!

- **Movie & Game Night** – Friday, September 25th | 5:30-10:00pm
- **Parent/Teacher Conferences (No School)** – Friday, October 2nd
- **Toddler & Primary Field Trip | Rocky Hollow Pumpkin Patch** – Friday, October 9th
- **Lower Elementary Field Trip | Pettit Creek Farm** – Thursday, October 15th
- **Fall Festival** – Friday, October 23rd
- **Historical Timeline** – Monday, October 26th & Tuesday, October 27th
- **Halloween Parade** – Friday, October 30th | 10:30am

A colorful poster for MSOR Movie & Game Night. The title 'MSOR MOVIE & GAME NIGHT' is in large, bold, blue letters. To the right, there are illustrations of game pieces: three pawns (yellow, red, blue) and two red dice. A pink circle with '\$30' in orange text is next to the title. Below the title, it says 'CHILDREN (POTTY-TRAINED AND OLDER) ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US!'. To the right, there's a large illustration of a board game with a red and white checkered board, yellow pieces, and a yellow die showing the number 4. In the bottom left, there's a small illustration of a board game with pink and yellow pieces and a blue pawn. Below that is a colorful spinner with various colored segments and two white arrows. The date 'SEPT. 25' and time '5:30PM-10:00PM' are in large, bold, blue letters. Below that, it says 'CLICK HERE TO SIGN YOUR CHILD UP!' in blue text with a link. At the bottom, it says 'QUESTIONS? EMAIL: ASHLETE@MSOR.ORG!' in blue text, preceded by a dotted line.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL



Celebrating 46 Years of
Montessori School of Rome

FOOD!

INFLATABLES!

GAMES!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23RD | 5:30-7:00PM



Wisdom



Knowledge



Peace

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STEM CLUB

MONDAYS-3:00-4:00 PM
STARTING AUGUST 31
THE CLUB IS RUN BY: MS. LILI, SABRINA, AND ZOEY

JOIN US IN THE FUN OF LEARNING SCIENCE! YOUR KIDS WILL TACKLE ENGINEERING, EXPERIMENTS, TRIAL-AND-ERROR, AND MUCH MORE! NO NEED TO BRING ANYTHING, JUST YOURSELF--- AND YOUR CURIOSITY!

ART CLUB

IS BACK!!



Please see QR code for all information!!



Creative Movement Club

Every Friday from 2:30 to 3:00
with Ms. Rebecca, Ms. Kelly, Wanling, and Wyatt!
 Questions?
 Email: chenwan@msor.org
\$150 per semester
Open to Toddler and Primary students

Come dance with us while we learn about different types of music and movement!
Max Capacity of Students: 14

MSOR Elementary Chess Club

Meets weekly on Thursdays from 4:00-4:55pm
 beginning September 10th

\$270 per semester or \$510 for the full year

Please submit sign-up forms and payments to the MSOR office on or before September 16th

 *One-on-one private chess lessons also available upon request* 
 Contact Benjamin Cramer: cramebe@msor.org

Hosted by Adolescent & Secondary students:
Charles Giles (Rated with a 1500 Elo chess score)
and Benjamin Cramer (Rated with a 2000 Elo chess score)

All proceeds fund Adolescent & Secondary travel to France & Greece in Spring 2027! Thank you for your support!




MSOR Spanish Club!!!

Weekly on Wednesday
 Primary from 2:30 to 3 PM
 Elementary from 3:15 to 4 PM
\$150 per semester

Guided by Mrs. Lelia and adolescents Seanna and Will T.

Crafts, music, games, and fun activities while learning Spanish

All funds will support our International travels!

Lost & Found

This item (it looks like a car seat cover) was left in Upper Elementary. If it belongs to you, please let Ms. Jamie know. Thank you!



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

This month is flying by!! Along with talking about zoo animals, we continue to learn about our colors and shapes and grace and courtesy. We talk about always using "gentle hands" with our friends.

Our International Day of Peace program was really nice. The children did a wonderful job. If only that wish would come true! Jamie has posted it on our Facebook and YouTube page, so be sure to look for it!

Important Dates:

Friday, October 2nd - Conference Day. No school for students.

Friday, October 9th - Rocky Hollow Field Trip

Friday, October 23rd - Fall Festival

Ms. Ginny & Ms. Stephanie

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

Our zoo studies are coming along nicely! We've been talking about monkeys, giraffes, and lions this week. It's been so much fun!

Peace Day was incredible. We are so proud of our students for singing so beautifully! The video is linked above if you haven't seen it already.

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Quick reminder to please return your library books so everyone can check a new book out on Friday!

Have a wonderful week!

Ms. Kelly & Ms. Kristin

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

We had a wonderful morning on Monday, singing Light a Candle for Peace, with all other Montessori schools. You can find the recording on our Facebook page if you missed it.

We are excited for Parent/Teacher Conferences next week. As a reminder, school is closed next Friday, October 2nd. As a reminder, we are asking that Declan bring a bouquet of flowers next Monday, 9/28 and Daiki provide a fruit for the class on Tuesday, 9/29.

Ms. Angie & Ms. Kelly

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

International Day of Peace was wonderful! The students sang beautifully. Be sure to watch the video recording of our performance if you have not already.

Tomorrow marks 30 days since school began – Keep an eye out for a 30-day notes coming home with your child soon. These notes give you an update on your child's progress so far.

Parent/teacher conferences are right around the corner and will take place next Friday, October 2nd. Be sure to choose a time on the Sign-Up Genius found here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4FAAAA28A5FBCE9-51472834-parentteacher#/>

As a reminder, there is no school for students on Parent/Teacher conference day. Thank you!

Ms. Ortrud & Ms. Teri

Ms. Maggie's Lower Elementary Class

Parents,

30-Day Letters will be sent home tomorrow with updates about classroom activities. Please remember that homework is due Thursday, including your child's costume plan for the Historical Timeline.

Our field trip to Pettit Creek Farms in Cartersville is coming up next month on October 15th! The cost is \$9.00 per student and \$10.00 per chaperone. Permission slips will be sent home soon, and payment and signed permission forms are due by October 7th.

If you are able to drive or plan to drive your own child, please let us know by October 7th. Be sure to include how many students you are able to accommodate in your vehicle.

Have a wonderful week!

Ms. Maggie

Ms. Robin's & Ms. Rana's Lower Elementary Class

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Please look out for the Sign-Up Genius (by email) and 30-day letter (paper) coming soon.

Have a good week!

Ms. Robin & Ms. Rana

Upper Elementary Class

Our chicken coop is a hit with the students! If you have a bag of old fruit or produce you are planning to discard but would like to send in for our chickens to eat, please do! Please do not send food for the chickens in your child's lunchbox, however. We want our students to eat their full lunches!

We are planning a field trip to the Tellus Museum next week. Keep an eye out for more information coming soon!

International Day of Peace was incredible. Thank you to Ms. Angela for her hard work in preparing the students for this annual tradition.

Have a wonderful week!

Adolescent & Secondary Class

Babysitting Event- THIS FRIDAY! Ms. Shemi and the students had a business meeting this week, and they have decided to host a babysitting event THIS FRIDAY. *I (Ms. Ariana) am not involved in this event...* Your lead student contact for questions pertaining to this event is Tegan (and Ms. Natalie, too!)... Please email ashlete@msor.org with any questions. Bravo to the students for taking initiative to amp up their fundraising efforts!

Trip Finances: As part of the full fundraising plan for International Travel, and in addition to running a microbusiness, each student is responsible for bringing in \$1,000 toward their individual trip accounts. In the past, the \$1,000 personal trip contribution has been brought to school in \$100 monthly installments. This year, in our recent trip business meetings, students have voted to bring in the entire \$1,000 personal contribution in one large payment, due on February 1. This element of fundraising is designed to encourage students to work for their money. Parents, please do not allow students to obtain their funds as a gift, please give them meaningful work to do to earn these funds.

Tennis This Friday: This week looks much cooler, let's plan for tennis! Please be on time picking up your children at 4:30pm at Lawrence Preserve, and this week please bring them directly back to school so they can set up their event. Thank you!

Rome Shakespeare Festival: As part of our English curriculum in the Adolescent and Secondary program, we are required to teach one Shakespeare play a year, per course that we teach. This year, Ms. Ariana and Mr. Keith have decided to teach *A Midsummer Night's Dream* to 2 of the 5 English courses. What makes this selection special is that the Rome Shakespeare Festival is performing *A Midsummer Night's Dream...* and the performances are THIS WEEKEND! Please see Ms. Ariana's separate email, titled " Rome Shakespeare Festival This Saturday" for more information about the event!

Peace Day: This past Monday, the entire student body and faculty team joined together, under the conductorship of Ms. Angela, and sang our special song as we honored and celebrated the International Day for Peace. I (Ms. Ariana) am most certainly biased, but I would say that this year they sounded the best that they ever have! Make sure to go look at the Montessori School of Rome's Facebook page to watch the recording. In our day and age, I think the talk of what peace means to each child is crucial and infinitely special... may this special little Montessori tradition of ours long surpass us in years and wisdom. <3

Parent Teacher Conferences: Thank you parents for spending time with us, these discussions leave us invigorated and energized on the success of each child, and we appreciate the chance to work with you as a strong team in this endeavor. We only have one more conference left to host, and then we will have concluded our first round of conferences... WOOHOO! If we need you for an emergent conference on October 2, you will receive correspondence from Ms. Ariana by the end of this week.

Dress Code Reminders: We highly encourage formal uniform jackets to be sent to the dry cleaners (this week if you can or next). Also, please continue to monitor and respect our dress code policies... We strongly endeavor to preserve the modesty of our students, and their clothes need to remain on the modest side of modern conventions. Shorts and skirts should be longer than one might want to wear (the closer to the knee, the better), absolutely no crop tops, and athleisure is never permitted during class hours.

Clubs/Businesses: We have tried our best to make sure that all clubs have their own "day" of the week this year - Monday STEM, Tuesday Art, Wednesday Spanish, Thursday Chess, Friday Creative Movement... and pop up sale events will occur for 3D Prints. Parents, please be advised that your child might not be ready to leave right at dismissal time on their respective club day, as they are working hard to dismiss club-goers, clean up, and do finances.