

Weekly Notes February 14, 2023

Office Notes

Parents: Please keep an eye out for lots of information through take-home flyers and/or e-mail regarding Reenrollment, Open House, Bring-A-Buddy Day, and more! This is a very busy time of year and the Office often has lots of communication to share. Thank you for taking the time to read e-mails, for replying to questions promptly, and for referring MSOR to your family and friends. We appreciate your continued support!

Ms. Jamie

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

Our students loved handing out their Valentines to their friends. Thank you to Amanda, Finlee's mom, for providing a special snack of cake pops for the class. Everyone loved them!

We are really enjoying our study of Italy. The students are particularly interested in Italy's three volcanoes: Mt. Etna, Mt. Stromboli, and Mt. Vesuvius. We even did a fun volcano experiment in class and everyone watched as "lava" came out of the volcano. Thank you to everyone that signed up to bring an Italian dish for International Day next Thursday, Feb. 23, 2022. The students have been practicing their songs and dances and are really enjoying learning a bit of Italian.

Ms. Ginny & Ms. Kelly

Ms. Shannon's, Ms. Jessica's, and Ms. Kristin's Toddler Class

We had a great time celebrating Valentine's Day today. The children delivered their treats and were so excited. We also loved all the yummy treats that were sent in!

We are continuing our travels around the country of Mexico. The kids have learned about the desert, mountains, and rainforest so far. We still have the ocean to go. This week we will also be talking about volcanoes.

We will have our International Day fiesta on Thursday, February 23rd, at 10:30. You are invited to attend and we will have lunch following our presentation. Please RSVP so we can get our orders placed. Thank you to Ivy, Lucille's mom, for checking on catering for lunch. I would also like to thank all the parents who have helped with the piñata and things to fill it.

On International Day, the children need to wear dark pants and a white shirt. Ms. Carol has made some serapes for them to wear that day too. If your family has ties to Mexico and you have authentic clothes for your child then please feel free to let them wear that.

We are so looking forward to sharing everything we've learned with you!

Unfortunately we still have a lot of sickness in our class. Thank you for keeping them home when they aren't feeling their best. I know it's hard.

Ms. Shannon

Ms. Angie's, Ms. Karabeth's, and Ms. Rana's Primary Class

International Day is fast approaching. Our menu is looking great. There are a few things that are still available and needed. Please check Sign-Up Genius for the menu. Everyone should know what their child will be wearing for that morning. First and Second Years: Please make sure your white t-shirts have been brought in so we can begin painting tomorrow.

If you have any questions, please let me know. Our performance times for our class are as follows: 9:00, 10:00, and 11:00. We will have lunch at 11:30. We would love to have a couple of parents help with lunch. Parents are invited for lunch also.

Valentine's Day was a success. The children went home with all sorts of goodies. Thanks to everyone for always making sure that we have everything we need.

See you for International Day!

Ms. Angie

Ms. Krystle's, Ms. Macy's, and Ms. Trudy's Primary Class

Our Tahitian studies are underway! The children are greeting one another and using their Tahitian manners quite often in the classroom. Please remember to practice with your child their speaking part, every child has a part.

Thursday, 2/23, please arrive in our class at 11:00-11:20am for our performance, then we'll go outside for recess at 11:25-11:45 & lunch will begin at 11:45-12:30 (the children are excited for y'all to join us for both the performance *and* lunch!) *Costumes are being discussed and should be finalized this week- will update ASAP*

Drop off ends at 8:20AM, after that you'll need to walk your child in.

I am starting line time(whole group lesson) @ 8:25 prompt. It is important for all of the children to view, listen and participate in the lesson. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn many new things at school every day. Attending and participating in these lessons will help your child develop their skills.

During to this whole group presentation, you child is getting information about the lesson and how to do the work by themselves. I encourage all of the children to participate in these lessons. Children who arrive at 8:26 A.M. or later will be asked to sit quietly in the practical life area until the group presentation is over. This will allow me to give the lesson without the other children getting distracted. Working together as a whole class creates a sense of community, which can prepare the children for future experiences. Creating a community in our Montessori environment is very important so that each child feels he is valued and can share his knowledge – and the children really bond with one another!

Have a great week!

Ms. Krystle, Ms. Macy, & Ms. Trudy

Ms. Robin's and Ms. Dolores's Lower Elementary Class

We are having a very busy week getting ready for International Day. Last night I posted the Sign-Up Genius for our Peruvian feast, thank you to the 10 people who have already signed up! Please feel free to message or email me to ask any questions about the menu or recipes that were provided in the links.

I sent an email with information about costumes for International Day. Please make sure to check your email and let me know if you have not received it.

We had a busy day painting and celebrating Valentine's Day. The students decorated bags, exchanged valentines, and ate some delicious donuts sent by LaSahay McBurnett O'Connor. Thank you to LaShay and the parents who sent birthday lunch last Friday.

Seanna and Mack's parents also purchased Scholastic books for the classroom when they placed their book orders. Thank you for adding to our classroom library.

We have a mandatory lower elementary parent meeting next Monday, February 20, at 5:30 PM. We will be sharing information about our upcoming 4H Science Center trip.

Happy Valentine's Day to all!

Ms. Robin & Ms. Dolores

Ms. Stefanie's Lower Elementary Class

Happy Valentine's Day! Thank you to all those who sent in treats today. The students enjoyed & appreciated them!

Thank you, also, to Ben Miller's family for donating the hand sanitizer. It was greatly needed & appreciated!

The sign-up list for bringing food for International Day is getting filled up quickly. Thank you all for helping to make this experience memorable for your children! There are still a few slots left for those who haven't had a chance to sign up yet!

AJ's mom joined us last week for a cultural experience the students loved! The students created their own versions of wycinanki to use on a Valentine's card. Wycinanki is a traditional Polish art form using beautiful, intricate paper cut-outs. We also had a very special treat of a video call with AJ's great grandmother who is from Poland. We all learned so much about Polish culture from her! To end the morning celebration of Poland, AJ's mom played the accordion for us! Thank you to AJ's mom & great grandmother for making the day such a special occasion for our classroom!

Please be sure to attend the parent meeting next Monday, February 20th, at 5:30 to have all your questions answered regarding the 4H Field Trip coming up next month. This trip is always an unforgettable experience for students.

Ms. Stefanie

Upper Elementary Class

Happy Valentine's Day!

The Chieftains Museum field trip is this Thursday. Please turn in your permission slip if you have not done so already.

International Day is Friday, February 24th. A signup sheet for food items will be sent out soon on Sign-Up Genius. Recipes will be posted outside of our classroom.

If you would like to donate locally grown seeds for our garden area, please let us know. We have several ideas for the area as spring approaches.

Science fair packets will be sent home on Friday.

Upper Elementary Guides