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Weekly Notes October 14, 2025

Office Announcements

MSOR Fall Festival – Next Friday, October 24th

Make plan to join us *next Friday, October 24th* from 5:30-7:00pm. Join us for an evening making memories at our annual MSOR Fall Festival – A 45-Year Tradition! We will have inflatables for the children, music, games, face painting, beautiful flowers, delicious food, a yummy bake sale, and more! Students are encouraged (but not required) to wear their Halloween costume and enter our costume contest! Please also keep an eye out for more information regarding a sleepover to follow. We look forward to seeing all of our families there!



Toddler Art Club Date Change – This Week Only

Reminder: This week only, Toddler Art Club has moved from its regularly scheduled day on Tuesday to Wednesday. Toddler Art Club will meet this week on Wednesday, October 15th from 2:15-2:45pm. Thank you!

Square 1 Art – Coming Soon!

Coming home to you soon is your child's custom catalog for the Square 1 Art fundraiser catalog - featuring their own name and art on the cover, WITH FREE STICKERS OF THEIR ART!

You can wait for the catalog to arrive – OR – you may get head start and start ordering keepsakes and gifts featuring your child's art online NOW! Simply search for your child's art using [Art Search](#), and enter state, school name, and your student's name. Your student's art and code will appear, and you may order!

Order Deadline: November 7th 2025

Upload additional art if you like, using [Art Upload](#)!

If you have questions, or need anything at all, [contact customer care online](#) .

Thank you for supporting Montessori School of Rome!

STEM Club – Join Us!

STEM Club with Ms. Lili is off to a great start! Students have enjoyed several experiments and activities so far, including creating a bubbling cauldron, a self-inflating jack-o-lantern balloon, and even a pumpkin catapult! Space is still available if your child would like to join! STEM Club is open to Third Year Primary and Lower Elementary students only and meets weekly on Thursdays from 3:15-4:15pm. Contact Ms. Jamie today to sign your child up!

Mark Your Calendars for These Important Dates Coming Up!

- **Toddler & Primary Field Trip | Rocky Hollow Pumpkin Patch** – Thursday, October 16th
- **Annual MSOR Fall Festival** – Friday, October 24th from 5:30-7:00pm
- **Historical Timeline** – Monday and Tuesday, October 27th & 28th (*Location TBA*)
- **MSOR Halloween Parade** – Friday, October 31st at 10:30am
- **Fall School Portraits** – November 4th & 5th (Rain Date: November 7th)

Toddler & Primary Field Trip to Rocky Hollow Pumpkin Patch

It's almost time for our annual fall field trip for Toddler & Primary! *This year we are excited to visit Rocky Hollow Farm located at 336 Rocky Hollow Road SW, Cave Spring, GA 30124 this Thursday, October 16th.* The students are so excited to visit the Pumpkin Patch!

- Arrive to purchase tickets between 9:00-9:15am.
- After purchasing your tickets, head to the small barn (by the restrooms) for the lesson beginning promptly at 9:30am.
- Following the lesson, feel free to explore the farm beginning at 10:00am. You are welcome to enjoy the farm all day until 5:00pm.
- Bring a picnic lunch from home if you wish.
- Don't forget to bring a water bottle!

As a reminder, *school will not be in session for Toddler and Primary students only on Thursday, October 16th.* If your family is unable to attend our field trip please make other arrangements for your child that day.

We are looking forward to making some wonderful memories! If you snap any pictures please be sure to email them to Ms. Jamie so we can include them in our social media photo gallery as well as our 2025-2026 yearbook!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR OUR VISIT TO *Rocky Hollow Pumpkin Patch*

336 ROCKY HOLLOW ROAD SW, CAVE SPRING, GA 30124

- STUDENTS MUST HAVE A PARENT WITH THEM AT ALL TIMES.
- ARRIVE BETWEEN 9:00-9:15AM TO PURCHASE TICKETS
- TICKET COST IS \$10.00 PLUS TAX (\$10.75 TOTAL) FOR ALL AGES. CASH, CARD, CHECK, & APPLE PAY ARE ACCEPTED.
- HEAD TO THE SMALL BARN (NEAR THE RESTROOMS) FOR THE LESSON AT 9:30AM. THE LESSON IS CALLED "SINK OR FLOAT"! LESSON TIME IS 9:30-9:55AM.
- FAMILIES ARE FREE TO EXPLORE THE FARM AT 10:00AM.
- YOU MAY BRING A PICNIC LUNCH FROM HOME TO HAVE ON-SITE OR YOU MAY LEAVE TO HAVE LUNCH ELSEWHERE.



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

We are having a good time learning about nocturnal animals and reading all about them! The children have enjoyed learning how pumpkins are grown from seeds, to turning into flowers on the vine and then becoming a pumpkin. They have learned how they start out green, then yellow and finally orange, ready to be carved into a jack o lantern!!! We would love to have a volunteer or two to bring us in a pumpkin to carve and also some smaller ones to wash and explore.

Our trip to the pumpkin patch is this Thursday! Please read info below as time has changed from the first note I sent out.

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We would like to thank the Sharpe family for providing the class with lunch last Friday! The children loved it! We now have our first 3-year-old!!

I also want to welcome our new student, George Walters to our classroom. He's a darling little boy and fits right in!! He is Millie's cousin.

Please remember to send in \$10 for the field trip t-shirt. Those will be going home tomorrow.

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

We have been studying the pumpkin and its life cycle. Today, we cut into one of our pumpkins, and the children explored its insides while pulling out all of its seeds. They were not huge fans of the pumpkin's stickiness. We also discussed the different varieties of pumpkins. I used our rough and smooth boards to teach the concept. The beautiful pumpkins that you all donated to the classroom were wonderful in helping with reinforcing this concept.

Lunch boxes need an ice pack in them daily. The state requires them to be present. We have several children without them most days. Thanks for your help!

Please send in \$10 cash for your child's shirt if you have not done so. We plan on sending them home on Wednesday. They were supposed to be delivered yesterday, but didn't arrive. Hopefully, they will be here this afternoon.

The field trip to Rocky Hollow Pumpkin Patch is this Thursday. Please arrive between 9:00 and 9:15 to buy your tickets and join the class. We will walk through together. It has been cool in the mornings, so they may need a jacket. It's not a bad idea to have a water bottle, snacks, diapers, tissues, etc. If you are not attending, please let me know so we are not waiting for you to enter the pumpkin patch. If you choose not to attend, there will be no staff present at the school.

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

We are so thankful for our parent volunteers who have been a part of classroom lately. We love seeing parents inside the classroom learning more about the Montessori curriculum. The students were also excited to have Ms. Karabeth visit yesterday!

Tomorrow we will have a birthday lunch of pizza, fruit, and a treat to celebrate Declan turning 5! No lunchboxes will be needed tomorrow unless your child has a dietary restriction.

We are looking forward to our visit to Rocky Hollow Pumpkin Patch on Thursday. We will meet there at 9:00am and you may purchase your tickets then. Please see the email sent by the Office for all the details.

Speaking of pumpkins, if anyone would like to donate a pumpkin to our classroom we would love to use one or two for some lessons and work. We will also plan to carve one of the pumpkins and if a parent would like to volunteer to come help us carve, please let us know!

Thank you,

Ms. Angie and Ms. Kelly

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

We are putting our scissor work (All those little envelopes of cut papers that come home every week.) skills to work creating spooky black cats and witches for the Halloween season.

We are excited about our field trip to Rocky Hollow Pumpkin Patch on Thursday. Please, remember that no one will be at school that day.

We are looking for a couple volunteers to bring large pumpkins to class to carve with the children. This is an annual activity loved by all.

Please remember that as the weather becomes cooler, you need to switch out their extra clothes. Also, make sure all clothing items are labeled.

Thank you,

Ms. Ortrud and Ms. Rana

Ms. Robin's Lower Elementary Class

Parents,

Historical Timeline is quickly approaching! Speeches are due tomorrow; please make sure that your child has a complete, legible, easy to read speech. I will make copies and send them back home. We will begin practicing speeches in class, and students should practice daily at home.

Next week, starting on Monday the 20th, students will come to school dressed in costume to greet arriving students in the Primary and Toddler programs. They will also visit the Primary classes to give their speeches. They will change into regular school clothes after they present, so make sure that they have clothes and outdoor shoes to change into on their scheduled day. Here's the schedule for next week's morning presentation days:

Monday, 10/20: Arhaan

Aiden

Eva

Cora

Tuesday, 10/21: Juliet

Ameera

Dev

Kevin

Carter

Wednesday, 10/22: Ira June

Zazil

Constance

Yuvraj

The following week, on Monday and Tuesday, 10/27-28, we will have our evening program. Students will come one night to participate with students from Upper Elementary. Time and location will be announced by the office. Please let me know if your child is unable to present on either of those days; I will schedule them for the other.

This Friday we will celebrate the October birthdays of Ameera and Yuvraj with a birthday lunch.

Have a good week,

Ms. Robin

Ms. Maggie's Lower Elementary Class

Good afternoon,

Historical Timeline speeches were due today (10/14). Please turn in a copy of your speech if you have not done so already. We will practice speeches in class this week. Please be aware that information may be added or omitted due to our 2-minute presentation goal. Finalized speeches will be sent home in the yellow folder. Presentation days are October 27th or 28th.

Students need to come to school dressed up as their character and present their speech to the Primary classrooms beginning next week. Please arrive on time in order to greet our Primary friends during their drop-off time.

Primary Presentation Schedule:

Monday, October 20th

Gabriella

Rajveer

Peyton

Serena

Leo

Tuesday, October 21st

Lyra

Ayati

Jackson

Uriah

Wednesday, October 22nd

Wyatt

Atsuto

Vittoria

Sofia

Noah

Thank you,

Ms. Maggie

Upper Elementary Class

Historical Timeline: Historical Timeline is just under two weeks away! All student speeches have been edited, typed, and returned back to the students. Speeches started coming home yesterday. Upper El students are to take home and memorize a quarter of their speech every night this week. Recitation of speeches happens daily, where we are checking for fluency, tone, expression, and confidence. Ms. Shemi will be assigning your child's presentation day tomorrow, Wednesday October 15.

New Echota Field Trip: Thank you SO MUCH to our parent drivers- Ms. Debbie, Ms. Kim, and Ms. Lelia- for coming with us on our field trip! We had a fantastic time exploring New Echota.

Square 1 Art

Keep an eye out for Square 1 Art order forms coming home soon! These make perfect holiday gifts and keepsakes featuring your child's one-of-a-kind artwork. Keep in mind - The order deadline is November 7th to ensure delivery for the holidays!

Adolescent & Secondary Class

Quarter 1 Report Card Period Ends THIS Friday: The end of the 1st Academic Quarter ends THIS FRIDAY, October 17. Once Friday comes and goes, nothing in the grade book can be changed for Quarter 1. This also means that any missing assignments you have in the gradebook turn into zeros after Friday. We have encouraged students to look at their grades on Thinkwave; check to see if you have any missing assignments and approach their teachers before Thursday if they need help.

Fall Festival & Sleepover: Fall Festival and Sleepover is NEXT Friday, October 24th. Separate emails will be sent regarding this event and its logistics, once the students have another planning meeting.

Historical Timeline: Monday October 27 and Tuesday October 28 are the Historical Timeline presentation nights! Per Ms. Shemi, Adolescent & Secondary Students must be there both nights. We are actively working on introductions, so that students can take theirs home and memorize them once the order is determined.

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