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MONTESSORI SCHOOL of ROME

Weekly Notes August 25, 2026

Office Announcements

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!

- **Labor Day (No School)** – Monday, September 7th
- **Primary Parent Education Night** – Tuesday, September 8th
- **Lower Elementary Field Trip to Tellus Museum** – Thursday, September 10th
- **International Day of Peace** – Monday, September 21st
- **Parent/Teacher Conferences (No School)** – Friday, October 2nd
- **Toddler & Primary Field Trip | Rocky Hollow Pumpkin Patch** – Thursday, October 9th

YMCA Reminder

This message is for Lower & Upper Elementary families:

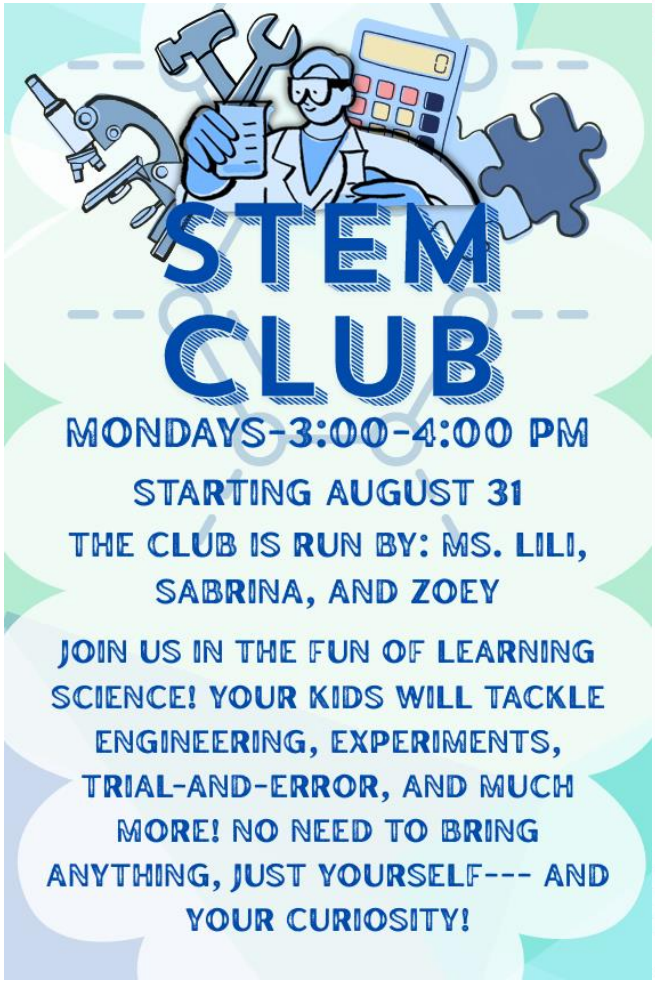
Just a quick reminder that YMCA for our Elementary students will be starting soon. If you have not yet submitted payment, please do so at this time.

The YMCA fee is $145.00 for the Fall Semester. We accept cash or checks made payable to YMCA.

Please note that students who have not submitted payment will be unable to attend YMCA.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation! We are looking forward to our time at the YMCA!

Club Announcements



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

We are having so much fun getting to know each other! The children are getting more comfortable every day of being here. The morning drop off is still a struggle for a few of our new little ones, but please rest assured this is absolutely normal and shouldn't last too much longer.

We are enjoying learning all about colors this month! We go over them every day and sing a fun song about what color each child is wearing. We have also talked about different types of shapes.

Please, if you haven't done so already, sign up for Remind. Please send a text to 81010 and Text @msginnyms to sign up.

Quick Reminder - Please don't send pull ups if your child is not potty training. Thank you so much!

Ms. Ginny

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

Our second week is off to a great start. The children are getting more comfortable with the morning transition and learning the daily routine. This week we are learning shapes (circle, square, triangle, rectangle and heart) and colors (blue, yellow, green, red, purple and orange). Our Grace and Courtesy lesson will be manners, please & thank you . Please work on manners at home as well. We have been able to work outside on our patio with sand and lots of different water work and have lunch outside as well. Everyone enjoys the time outdoors.

We are going to be changing into our slippers next week. If you have not sent in a pair of slippers for your child, please send a pair this week. Here is the Amazon information

I will use email as the primary form of communication. You will be getting a "test" email this week to make sure I have everyone's email entered correctly in my contacts.

Thank you all for being understanding and keeping your children home with you while they are sick. We already have a cold going through the class. If your child has a fever or any other symptoms, they have to remain home until they have been symptom-free for 24 hours without medication. Unfortunately, most of our students have not had much exposure to other children and germs, so usually in their first year of school, they catch everything that passes through.

Click here to be linked to the slippers on Amazon

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

Thank you to all of you daddies that came out to Daddy's Day last Friday. While we've never held it inside before, we are so thankful we did! The rain was beautiful during the evening and we were happy to be dry inside. 😊.

Just a few reminders: we will send home folders on Friday if your child has any (paper) work that they've done throughout the week. Please make sure to send their folders back in on Monday morning.

We will begin going to the MSOR library shortly. Your child's library bags will also be sent home on Fridays once we start checking out books. Please make sure to send the bag and book back to school by the following Thursday. You have one week to read it with your child before they will return it and bring home another.

We have had some germs going around the school. Thank you to those that have kept their children home when not feeling well. This is imperative to prevent the spread of illnesses. If you have questions regarding our sickness policy, please reach out to us or Mrs. Jamie at the front office.

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

Thank you to all of the families who joined us for **Daddy's Night**! We truly enjoyed spending time together.

We also had our **first music class**, and it was a great success! The children had a wonderful time participating, singing, and experiencing music together.

As a reminder, please make sure your child has a pair of **classroom slippers/indoor shoes** at school. The children change into their indoor shoes upon arrival and wear them throughout the classroom workday. Please remember that they should be hard-soled, fully enclosed, easy for your child to put on and remove independently, and free of characters or elaborate designs.

Ms. Ortrud

Ms. Maggie's Lower Elementary Class

Dear families,

I hope everyone enjoyed their first full week of school. We presented the first Great Lesson on Friday. This story introduces the origin of the universe. The students were intrigued and enjoyed seeing the demonstrations. We encourage each student to discuss creation stories with their families as well.

Thank you to the Bruen family for the treats! Happy Birthday, Jackson!

Our first Y.M.C.A. session is this Friday. Please come to school dressed in gym attire. The Y.M.C.A. bus will transport us this year. Pickup is at our regular dismissal time.

Homework will be sent home on Friday. It is due back on Thursday, September 3rd.

Our first field trip is on Thursday, September 10th to the Tellus Science Museum. Please let me know if you are available to drive/chaperone. Permission slips will be sent home this week.

We also have a field trip to Pettit Creek Farms on Thursday, October 15th. More information will be sent out soon.

Ms. Maggie

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

Parents,

We were sad that our Friday event had to move indoors. We enjoyed seeing many parents and hope to spend more time with all of you throughout the school year!

Last Friday we shared The First Great Lesson about the creation of the universe. This week, we are diving into science demonstrations and experiments that illustrate the scientific laws of the universe. Yesterday, third year students from both classes were the demonstration leaders. They stepped into their leadership positions and kept younger classmates fully engaged for the afternoon. Today, we are combining classes again for "What's the Matter Day," when they will explore different states of matter and how they change under different conditions. Friday we will share The Second Great Lesson: The Coming of Life.

Students are settling into our morning routine. We still have five more weeks of normalization, and we love watching concentration increase as friendships blossom. The class enjoyed Music with Ms. Angela on Friday.

Permission slips will be sent with homework for our Tellus Museum field trip on 9/10.

Students brought homework folders home with 2 sheets of cursive practice. (First years had numbers for one sheet.) Please return these by Thursday -most have already returned them. We will send regular homework beginning this Friday. It will include math, language, and another cursive sheet to practice at home. Homework will be due every Thursday. We changed our homework days to work best around the YMCA schedule.

We'll start Spanish tomorrow, and Ms. Lelia will also pull small groups for more Spanish practice on Friday mornings. We'll be riding the bus to the YMCA on Friday: leaving at 1:45 and returning by 3:15.Students should come to school dressed in modest gym attire. Please, no bare shoulders or midriffs. Sneakers/tennis shoes are required.

Finally, this Friday (August 28th) no lunchboxes are needed. Our families with summer birthdays have joined together to provide a pizza lunch with fruit and a sweet treat in celebration of Kevin, Jeb, Chandler, and Zazil. We look forward to our first birthday lunch of the year this Friday!

Have a wonderful week!

Ms. Robin and Ms. Rana

Upper Elementary Class

Upper Elementary classroom updates will be shared at a later time. Keep an eye out for our September newsletter next week!

Adolescent & Secondary Class

Parents- we survived our first full week of academics! We are fully in the swing of things, and quizzes and tests are already happening. Even if there are nights where there is nothing to complete for a homework grade, students need to review and study the things that they learned in class on a nightly basis. With these notes, we take great care in providing you with as much information as we can, and we ask that you read them thoroughly so that we can all stay on the same page!

Thank you! - The Adolescent & Secondary Faculty Group

Daddy's Day Sleepover : Thank You! - Thank you to all MSOR students that attended the first sleepover of the year, and thank you parents for all of your help and support! We would like to extend a huge thank you to Ms. Lynn, Ms. Natalie and Ms. Shemi for going above and beyond to make the event a success. Adol/Sec parents, as soon as I (Ms. Ariana) am made aware of when the next event will take place, you too will know. In an ideal world, we will have a parent volunteer sign up/rotation.

Homework- Because we are on a block schedule, there is always at least 1 days in between when an assignment is given versus when it is due. Knowing that there is extra time between due dates (and study hall times allotted as well), there is a higher expectation of accountability when it comes to turning in assignments. Barring exceptional circumstances, all teachers expect all homework to be completed and turned in on time.

Guitar Homework- Ms. Angela has assigned the first Guitar homework of the year! It is due by midnight tomorrow, Wednesday August 26. For this homework, it requires the students to make a video submission on Google Classroom. Please reach out to Ms. Angela via email if you have any questions!

Dress Code - Please continue to be mindful of our program's dress code. Please reference the email sent by Ms. Ariana on August 17 labeled "Dress Code" for more specific information.

School Supplies - If your child does not have all school supplies by now, we will be in contact to see what is still needed. The single-handedly most important thing that your child needs to have by now is an academic planner! Blue Sky (Walmart) makes a large variety of good, inexpensive planners.

Parent-Teacher Conferences - Sign ups will be coming out soon for our Parent Teacher Conferences! Within the next week or two, Ms. Ariana will send those sign ups out personally, in a separate email.

Birthday Lunches - If your child has an upcoming birthday, and you would like to send something in to share with the class, please reach out with Ms. Ariana to coordinate lunch plans and discuss food allergies! Thank you to Sabrina and her family for bringing in pizza last week to celebrate Sabrina's birthday!

Medication - Thank you for sending in medications with properly labeled medication forms! As a reminder, if you want to send in any over-the-counter medications (of any kind), those can and must be stored in our medicine cabinet with a medication form attached to them as well.

Health & Wellness - It's already that time of year again... sickness is starting to spread. Please be mindful of the health and wellness of your child. If a student has a fever, or has had a bout of diarrhea, they must be fever free or instance-free for 24 hours before they may return to school. For all other circumstances, we follow CDC and school guidelines. Let's do our best to put health and wellness at the forefront of our minds!

Clubs & Businesses - A separate email will be sent directly to parents discussing the details of clubs, and what has been decided on days, times and adult supervision. The goal is for ALL clubs and businesses to begin in September.

Tennis - As of now, tennis is slated to start on Friday, September 11. Our scheduled time is from 3:30-4:30 at Lawrence Preserve with Coach Jaleel. We will determine drivers soon, so TBD on that! The cost of tennis is still being worked on, as we are counting the number of sessions we plan to hold. This transaction is between you and Coach Jaleel, and for that reason, please kindly pay him directly once we determine the cost.