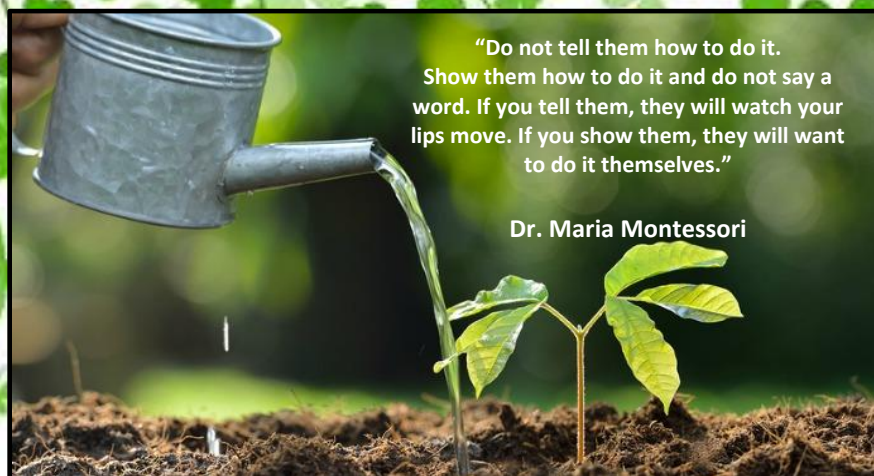


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March 2024 Newsletter




"Do not tell them how to do it.
Show them how to do it and do not say a
word. If you tell them, they will watch your
lips move. If you show them, they will want
to do it themselves."

Dr. Maria Montessori

News from the Office


 **Parent Teacher Conferences** will be held on Friday, March 1st. The school will be closed for teaching on this date. This will be an opportunity for parents to ask questions about their child's progress and review the materials in the classroom. Please sign up for a phone or in-person conference on the list posted on your child's classroom door. Again, we will be **CLOSED** on this day. You may bring your children during your conference, but they may not enter the classroom during the conference. We will provide daycare during your 20-minute conference time only.

 **Re-enrollment forms** are due by Thursday, March 7th. We will be offering enrollment to EVERYONE, including those outside of MOLR, after March 7th so be sure to get your paperwork in before this date. To guarantee your child's placement for the summer of 2024 and the 2024-2025 school year, all forms and payments must be turned in to the office before this date.

Your spot may not be guaranteed if your paperwork is turned in later than March 7th!

 **Spring Picture Days** will be as follows:

- ✓ Tuesday, March 26th: Rooms 1 and 2
- ✓ Wednesday, March 27th: Rooms 3 and 4
- ✓ Thursday, March 28th: Rooms 5, 6, and 7

 **The Annual EGG HUNT** will be on the morning of Friday, March 29th for the children on both playgrounds. Please bring in a dozen pre-stuffed eggs for the children, filled with candy or small toys, to the office no later than Thursday, March 28th. This will be an egg-stra special event. We will also be having our **Spring Potluck** on this date, so please look out for those potluck sign-ups and emails from your child's Lead Teacher.

Important Dates for March

Friday, March 1st:
Parent-Teacher Conferences

Wednesday, March 6th:
Raising Canes Fundraiser from 11am-9pm!

Thursday, March 7th:
RE-ENROLLMENT PAPERWORK DUE


Thursday, March 14th:
Parent Information Night at 5pm!


Friday, March 15th:
SPRING RECESS FORMS DUE

Week of March 25th to March 29th:
Scholastic Book Fair!


**Tuesday March 26th through Thursday
March 28th:**
Picture Days!


Friday, March 29th:
School-wide Egg Hunt and Spring Potluck!


 **Parent Information Night** will be on Thursday, March 14th at 5 pm! Join Dr. Hugo Wright and Christina Heredia and learn about "Broadening your Perspectives on Parenting".

 **Spring Recess** will be the week of Monday, April 1st to Friday, April 5th. During this week, our school will be closed. However, daycare will be provided for your convenience by advance sign-up only. The cost for daycare is \$50/per day. All Lead Teachers and Administration have this time off and our Assistant Teachers will oversee the classes. Our hours will be 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Please fill out the sign-up sheet and return it to the office no later than **Friday, March 15th** with payment if you are interested in childcare. We will have sign-up sheets available in the office and we will also email them out to you.



 **The Scholastic Book Fair** will be visiting us from Monday, March 25th to Friday, March 29th! This will be the last opportunity to see the book fair until the fall!

 **Parent's Night Out** will be on Friday, March 22nd from 6 pm to 10 pm. Sign up at the front office!

 With Tax Season approaching, here is our Tax information, for your convenience:

Tax ID #26-0043117

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A Few Reminders

Tuition Reminder

Please remember that tuition is due on the 15th of each month. If you have not already done so, please consider signing up for Tuition Express. We can debit your account on the 15th of each month, and you can cancel at any time.

Sign-In/Out Reminder

Please remember to sign your child in and out daily via the Procure Connect app on your phone OR from the tablets located in the hallway! This is a Licensing requirement and for safety reasons, is important to follow. Parents, please advise all other authorized pickup people to sign your child out on the tablets.

Late Arrivals

Please keep in mind that late arrivals to school are not only difficult for the child arriving to a class that has already begun, but it is also a distraction to the children who are already participating in circle time. Also, please keep in mind that the teachers have prepared lessons and activities for all the children. When there are constant disruptions after class has started, it makes it difficult for all the children to settle into their school day. An "on time" drop-off will help eliminate confusion, tears, and sad goodbyes. If you do happen to drop them off after class has started, please be sure to drop them off in the office and allow someone from the office staff to walk your child to class.

9:00 AM - Toddler and Preschool classrooms begin.

8:30 AM – Elementary classrooms begin.

Illness Policy Reminder

Cold and flu season is here! Please **DO NOT** send your child to school if he/she has a fever, vomiting, diarrhea, or colored mucus. In addition, he/she must be free of these symptoms for a *complete* 24 hours before returning to school. Please notify the school of any illnesses, and if your child will be absent. Your child must be picked up by the parent or authorized person within 30 minutes of notification that your child has become ill at school. We understand that this can pose a problem for working parents; however, we don't have a separate facility where a sick child can stay for an extended period of time. Now is the time to make alternate pick-up arrangements if you are prevented from leaving work.

