



## **EVENTS AND REMINDERS**

**Thursday, February 28, 2019**

### **READ ACROSS AMERICA – Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10:00-1:00pm, Lincoln Square Mall**

MSCU families are invited to this celebration of reading and literacy with community organizations, storytellers, celebrity greeters, and hands-on activities. Stop by our booth at Lincoln Square Mall on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00am-1:00pm.

### **FEE FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR**

Question about the \$400 fee for next school year? The \$400 Enrollment, Supplies, Special Events and Field Trips fee pays for special events, field trips and admission fees for all the fun events that our students enjoy year after year. The fee also covers all supplies and materials used by students, each family's Montessori Society dues, and state-mandated vision and hearing screenings, as well as many other logistical costs required to maintain a high-quality environment for our students to learn in.

This is the first time we've adjusted the fee to reflect growing cost of transportation and admission tickets. If you have any further questions about this fee, please don't hesitate to contact the office!

### **WISH LIST DONATIONS DUE DATE – Due Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

Thank you for your wish list donations. The lists posted outside each classroom door are filling up. Have a look and see if you're able to help, sign your name next to the office and drop off payment to the front office for the amount of the item and we'll handle the ordering and delivery.

This is considered a fundraiser for the school, so all donations are tax-deductible. We plan to have all funds collected by Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup> so the materials may be ordered and placed in the classrooms for the students to enjoy as soon as possible.

### **MONTESSORI EDUCATION WEEK – February 25-March 1**

Did you know that, in addition to being a pioneer in education, Maria Montessori was a medical doctor, a WWII refugee, an author, an advocate for peace, and a parent? Her biography is as impressive as her legacy. An important part of Montessori Education Week is learning about Dr. Montessori and her contributions not only to the world of education, but to the world as a whole.

We will be recognizing and acknowledging the extraordinary things Maria Montessori stands for.

### **SAVE THE DATE! MULTICULTURAL FAIR – April (date yet to be determined)**

Would you like to share information on your home country and culture to the MSCU Community? Please consider participating in the MSCU Multicultural Fair in April. There are 2 ways you can participate!

- 1) Host an **informational table** on your home country and culture. Display your country's flag, artifacts, facts and information on your country, incorporate a basic demonstration such as a basic game that is culturally specific or a simple craft.
- 2) Have your student or family member participate in a **cultural-related demonstration**. It could be singing or reciting a poetry in another language. Performing a short cultural-related dance or instrumental piece.

If you wish to participate in either or both opportunities, please contact [communitymanager@montessorischoolofcu.org](mailto:communitymanager@montessorischoolofcu.org). If you have any questions do not hesitate to reach out as well.

## **PRIMARY/ELEMENTARY SPRING BREAK CAMP - March 18-March 22**

There will be no school during MSCU's spring break. The Primary and Elementary will be open Monday through Friday for our Full Day students at no additional cost.

If your full day student will be attending, please go to this SignUp Genius link to confirm and sign up before March 9th. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0A4DA8AE2BA6FC1-spring2> It helps us to know how to staff and order lunches for the week.

If your child is **not** currently a full day student but you would like them to attend the Spring Break Camp, please stop by the front office to fill out an enrollment form. You may enroll your child for a 3pm pick up time or a 5:30pm pick up time, whichever suits your schedule. The fees for the 3:00 dismissal are \$250 for the week, and \$300 for the 5:30 dismissal. Lunch is included. It would be a great opportunity to try out our full day program and see if you might be interested in extending your child's day here at MSCU.

## **CALLING ALL PLAYDOUGH CHEFS**

We are in need of playdough. Recipes are available in the wooden stand just inside the front door of the Primary building. It's a fun project to do with your children and the classrooms love getting fresh playdough! Drop it by the office and we'll be sure to share.

## **ELEMENTARY/PRIMARY SUMMER SESSION – Due Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**

Our Summer Session begins on June 3rd and runs for 9 weeks, ending on Aug. 2nd.

We have plans and programs based on staff and MSCU family feedback –Summer Session is going to be full of Montessori fun!! More information to follow soon.

## **BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION**

Download the Box Tops for Education Bonus App to earn more points for our school: <http://www.boxtops4education.com/bonusapp> Thank you so much to everyone for contributing!

## **TAX INFORMATION**

If you need tax forms or information for the 2018 school year, please email James Whiting ([businessmanager@montessorischoolofcu.org](mailto:businessmanager@montessorischoolofcu.org)) and he can assist you. Please allow several business days for processing.

## **SUBSTITUTE CLASSROOM HELP**

If you would be interested in being a classroom substitute at either of the Primary or Elementary buildings, please stop by the office or send us an email. It is helpful to have a list of people ready to help. Here is the information we have posted on our website:

*Substitutes are needed for various shifts during the 8:00-5:30 day. Substitutes will always be with a trained staff member. They may be in the classroom, outdoors, or helping the children with lunch. Candidates must be physically able to be on their feet for most of a four-hour shift and may include outdoor time supervising children. If interested in this position, please send your resume to [secretary@montessorischoolofcu.org](mailto:secretary@montessorischoolofcu.org).*