



EVENTS AND REMINDERS

Thursday, November 1, 2018

DAYS OF GIVING – NOVEMBER 1-NOVEMBER 20

Both the Primary and Elementary buildings are participating in the Eastern Illinois Food Bank Days of Giving. If you would like to donate to this event, we will have a grocery cart in the entry of each building. This will be EIFB's largest food drive of the year. The items they would like the most are:

1. canned meats
2. canned complete meals (ravioli, SpaghettiOs)
3. canned beans and other vegetables
4. canned fruit
5. boxed meals
6. peanut butter

More information on EIFB's Day of Giving is available at: <http://www.eifoodbank.org/dayofgiving/>

PUPPY & HORSE ROOM FIELD TRIP – PARKLAND PLANETARIUM, THURS., NOV. 8

The Puppy and Horse morning classrooms will be going to the Parkland Planetarium on Thursday, Nov. 8. The bus will be leaving at 8:30. Please have your child to the classroom no later than 8:25.

The remaining Primary classrooms will be going to the Planetarium in the spring.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

Both the Primary and Elementary buildings will be closed on Friday, November 9th for Parent Teacher Conferences. Child care will be available for all Primary full day students at the Primary building. Child care will be available for all Elementary full day students at the Elementary building.

Registration forms have been sent out through Signup Genius. Please contact the office if you have not received yours.

Primary and Elementary Parent Teacher Conference appointments will last 15 minutes. We will set up a table in the hallway with coloring pages at the buildings, if you would like to bring your child. Thank you for signing up to meet your child's Directress to learn about all they are doing. This first conference is early in the school year and intended to give parents an opportunity to ask questions and hear what your child/ren are doing.

T-SHIRT AND SWEATSHIRT FUNDRAISER

Buy a Montessori shirt to wear on Spirit Days, beginning in December!

A variety of Montessori t-shirts and sweatshirts will be on display at the Primary building during Parent Teacher Conferences, November 9. You may order your shirt/s on that day. The proceeds from this event will help contribute the cost of new reading materials for the school.

CONGRATULATIONS TO US!

We're so lucky to have such wonderful Directresses here at MSCU. Take a few minutes to read The News-Gazette article on Ms. Krupp: <http://www.news-gazette.com/news/local/2018-10-31/teacher-the-week-christine-krupp.html>

BARNES AND NOBLE BOOK FAIR – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH

We will be holding our annual book fair on **Saturday, November 10th at Barnes and Noble**. It's a great way to do some holiday shopping and help us to purchase books for MSCU. Mrs. Weaver and Mrs. Roy will have a craft for the children. If you would like to visit during a special reading time, the teachers will read a story as follows:

9:00am	Mrs. Day
9:30am	Mrs. Warren
10:00am	Mrs. Krupp
10:30am	Mrs. Rossow

If you would like to do your ordering online at Barnes & Noble, you can raise money for MSCU by using our online order #1245290 between November 10th-15th.

SUBSTITUTE CLASSROOM HELP

If you would be interested in substituting in the classroom at either of the Primary or Elementary buildings, please stop by the office or send us an email. We are always looking for people to add to our substitute list. 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.

VETERAN'S DAY – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH

MSCU **WILL** be open on Monday, November 12th on Veteran's Day. Both the Primary and Elementary buildings will conduct a regular schedule.

SNACKS

We provide snacks for the children in their Montessori Primary classrooms. Primary children who stay until 5:30pm have a second snack around 3:00pm. We have fresh fruit a minimum of four days per week. All grain snacks have less than 10 grams of sugar per serving (animal crackers, Cheerios®, Chex®, vanilla wafers, etc.). We also provide water with snack. (No additional food is needed for your student.) Please do not send snacks....if you have special dietary restrictions that require snacks to be sent from home, please contact your child's teacher.