



EVENTS AND REMINDERS

Thursday, October 11, 2018

ELEMENTARY NATURES CLASSROOM – MONDAY-FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15th-19th

Let's all join together to wish our group of 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade Elementary students Bon Voyage as they travel to Nature's Classroom next week. Here is a link so you can read more about the program: <https://discovernci.org/> Just another example of our Elementary faculty working hard to provide a rich learning environment.

MSCU BOARD MEETING – THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18TH, 7:00pm, BUTTERFLY ROOM, PRIMARY BUILDING

Parents and staff are invited and encouraged to attend.

FALL FESTIVAL CELEBRATION – WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31ST

On Wednesday, October 31st, all of the morning Primary Montessori classes will enjoy a Fall Festival celebration! Volunteer sign ups to bring in snacks will be sent out through Sign Up Genius. Please be sure there are NO NUTS in any items you send! See the MSCU Safe Snack List on our website for safe food suggestions. Candy and frosted cupcakes cannot be accepted. Children may wear t-shirts, sweatshirts, simple accessories or socks with a Halloween motif. No masks, costumes or elaborate accessories, please!

FIRE SAFETY WEEK, OCT. 8-12

The Savoy Fire Department will visit our Elementary students on Oct. 11 at 10:00am. Fire safety information, activities and a fire drill will take place. We appreciate the time our friends at the Savoy Fire Department gives to the school.

PATHWAYS

We are introducing a new and improved enrichment program from 2:30 to 5:30 during the afternoons, during the timeslot where "aftercare" previously resided. This program will be available to our primary students ages 3 to 6 as well as our Elementary students. Our program will be Montessori based while offering S.T.E.A.M. activities and projects. Throughout the course of the year we will be rotating through different themes of learning. A handful of the topics we will be exploring are Nature, Literature, Theater, Music, Foreign Language, Culinary Arts, Outdoor Survival, Fine Arts, and Technology. We will be offering Mandarin exclusively to the enrichment students, introducing key terms along with each topic of study.

The afternoon is a social part of the day and we are looking to build a sense of community while we have fun learning. If you have a passion for any of these themes and would love to get involved, please contact Ms. Weaver, the Enrichment Program Coordinator, and express your interest to volunteer:

kweaver@montessorischoolofcu.org

PATHWAYS VOLUNTEERS

Do you have a talent you'd like to share? A special project the children would enjoy learning? Some particular strength that would be lots of fun to learn about? Our Pathways enrichment program would love to have volunteers join a class. If you would like to fulfill some of your volunteer hours, please contact kweaver@montessorischoolofcu.org to set up a time.

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.

BOX TOPS

The Elementary building will soon have a box to collect the Box Tops for Education. Start saving yours so you can drop them off at either building.

SCHOOL SPIRIT!

MSCU is looking for parents to help with school spirit! Please contact Kathy at kealy@montessorischoolofcu.org or Kerry at communitymanager@montessorischoolofcu.org. Go Montessori!

LABELING STUDENT OUTER CLOTHING

With the change in weather we are finding a large collection of coats on our lost and found table. Please take some time to write your child's name inside their coats, gloves and hats so we can help make sure they get back into the right small pair of hands.

ILLNESS

"Children must be clear of fever (without fever reducing medicine) and illness for 24 hours before returning to School." Please take a moment to read the Health section of the Parent Handbook to help keep all students healthy. A copy of the Parent Handbook is on the website under "Current Families" or see your Welcome Packet.

PAYMENTS

If you are paying by check, please be sure to include the purpose of your payment and your child's name in the "Memo" portion of your check. This way our Business Manager can apply your payment for the intended purposes. In the Primary building, there is a gray, metal box on the left, just inside the front door if you are paying by check. Please place your payments in this box. Thank you.