

Mission Statement: "To create a community environment that fosters children's social, ethical and intellectual development."



JUNE 2010

As this school year comes to a close we look back on our year of learning with pride. Since last fall the children are taller, wiser and more mature. They have enriched their minds with lessons and are ready to bring their knowledge to their summer adventures.



The last day of school is **Friday, June 25th**. There will be no classes on that day, as we will be holding our year-end concerts at 10am and 1pm.

The morning preschool and all the elementary children should arrive at 9:45 am.

The elementary & kindergarten children will be performing in both concerts and stay until the completion of the afternoon concert.

The afternoon preschool children should arrive at 12:45 pm.

A sign-up sheet for refreshments will be posted closer to that day.



The virtue for June is Confidence

Confidence is having faith in something or someone. It is a kind of trust. When you have self-confidence, you trust that you have what it takes to handle whatever happens. You feel sure of yourself and enjoy trying new things. When you are confident in others, you rely on them and confide in them.

Why practice it? Without confidence, fears and doubts hold us back. We feel worried and uncertain, and afraid of making a mistake. **How do you practice it?** Practicing confidence is knowing you are worthwhile whether you win or lose, succeed or fail. You feel sure of yourself and gladly learn from your mistakes. You think positively. (Reference: The Virtues Project Educators Guide, Linda K. Popov)

"Everyone has inside of him a piece of good news. The good news is that you don't know how great you can be! How much you can love! What you can accomplish! And what your potential is!" ~ Anne Frank

"Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss it you will land among the stars." ~ Les Brown



Friday June 18th is the Annual School Uniform Swap/Sale 2-4PM in the Gym

First-come-first serve - all proceeds go to school fundraising. Prices of gently used items are at *least* 40% less than new. Donations can be dropped off at the office anytime before the sale - please keep enough items so that your child can wear a uniform for the last few days of school. Make a list of items kept that are available for sale and submit to the office. You may also sell items personally or swap - (please tag so we have no mix-ups!) Questions? Talk to Kristine!



Happy Birthday!

Greetings for June, July & August!

Preschool: Hailey, Nicholas, Ella, Matteya, Emelia, Emma, Ellie, & Andrew

Elementary: Paige, Summer, Ethan, & Emily
And... Happy Belated Birthday Amélie - our very embarrassed writer of the newsletter says!!



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Preschool Update

As our school year comes to an end, we would like to thank all of our parents for your help and snack contributions throughout this preschool year. We appreciate all of the wonderful foods you have sent to share. Our parents are a special part of the preschool year and your help is greatly appreciated.

With the sunny warm weather hopefully around the corner, please ensure to send your child with a hat and appropriate outdoor footwear



for visits to the park. *Please ensure that sunscreen is applied at home before school.* We appreciate your assistance with this.



We are currently finishing our unit on planting, growing and insects. We will be ending our year with studies on the life cycle of the salmon as well as various ocean creatures and fun in the sun topics.



Good luck to all of our little students who will be going on to new schools and we will see our returning students in the fall. Have a wonderful summer!

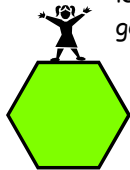


Elementary Update

In the Elementary grades we are studying plant-life beginning with the first plants on Earth (water plants & seaweed) progressing to the first land plants, fungi, flowering plants & the plants we eat. We will end the unit with cacti and discover how they have adapted to survive in the desert environment.



The Kindergarteners have been learning about geometry by looking at the shapes we see all around us then tracing and naming the shapes from books. Our Lifetimes book is almost finished and will be coming home soon. The lifetimes concept begins by using the Mayfly as an example - it lives for only a day; it continues to the Giant Sequoia Tree which lives for 2000 years. Last, but not least, humans; although they only have lifetimes for about 85



years are charged with the care of the Earth and all life on it. What an excellent lesson!



Of course all of the children have been busy preparing for the year-end concert which is just one of the highlights of the school year.



Mother's Day Tea 2010

Our Mother's Day tea was a terrific success enjoyed by many and left us with lasting memories for everyone who participated! Much thanks to the Dads who came out and served with a smile - what a treat!

FUNDRAISING

Meadow Montessori School Society wishes to heartily thank everyone who contributed their time and \$funds\$ during this fundraising school year.

We are a non-profit society, which is being affected by some government cutbacks - your efforts have certainly made a positive difference and are very much appreciated by all!



Thank you ☺!

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Summer's here! Another year of school is at an end. We've learned a lot and grown a lot and made a lot of friends.

We'll say goodbye, now summer's here, it's time for us to part.

But we'll remember all our friends and keep them in our hearts.

Have a safe & happy summer!

