

MARCH 2009



In like a lion, out like a lamb...or so we hope. We are itching to get outside and enjoy the warm and fresh spring air after this seemingly long winter. Now that the snowdrops are up and we await the first bloom of daffodils, we are gearing up for an exciting spring season full of learning and growing.

Spring break this month will be a refreshing breather for everyone and hopefully the weather will cooperate!

As most of you know already it's registration time for next year and we are busy in the office with paperwork and advertising. If you are willing to pin up signs advertising our school or have some people that you would like to give a brochure to... pop into the office and pick some up! Every little bit helps as we try to keep our advertising costs as low as possible!



BOARD BUSINESS

The next meeting of the board will be **March 23rd** at 7pm; all parents are encouraged to attend!

If you wish to contact the board directly email:
board@meadowmontessori.ca

NEWSLETTER

The virtue for March is Responsibility

What is responsibility?

When you are responsible, you are willing to be accountable for your actions. When things go wrong, you don't make excuses but instead try to make things right. When you are responsible, you keep your agreements and give your best.

Why practice responsibility?

When you take responsibility for your own actions, others can trust you. You learn from your mistakes.

"Life is a succession of lessons which must be lived to be understood." ~Helen Keller

"My life is an influence on every life mine touches. Whether I realize it or not, I am responsible and accountable for that influence." ~ Ron Baron



Purdy's Order's due this week - March 5th

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Daylight savings time - clocks *spring* forward, Sunday, March 8th

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Scholastic Book Orders
DUE March 13th

(All classes)

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SPRING BREAK
March 16th - 20th

Last day of school -
Friday, March 13th

First day of school -
Monday, March 23rd

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Also, please remember...

Now that the warm weather is approaching the children need to wear shoes that are good for running and playing at the park.



Happy Birthday!
Greetings for March

Preschool - Mireya
Elementary - Meghan

Preschool Update

Our excursion to the local fire hall was enjoyed by all.



We learned about fire safety - what is or is not a toy. Firefighter Cord even took us right inside the fire truck to have a look around! The teachers feel the field trip helped the children understand fully the importance of fire safety.

A big *thank you* to Esteban's Mom, Marianne, for the bright red firefighter hats for all the children - what fun!



This month the children will be learning about nutrition and healthy eating. It would be great if we received lots of different fruits and vegetables for snack. After spring break we will be involved in a unit on the spring season and planting - a subject all the children enjoy. If you have any old worn out panty hose - the children can use them for a fun growing project so please drop them off at the preschool.



Elementary Update

The older students had quite the adventure shopping for food for the hot lunch. Running into bad weather made it even more interesting! The students thoroughly enjoyed cooking, serving and eating the salad and casseroles they prepared for lunch. The teachers and younger students appreciatively ate a nutritious meal together and it was enjoyable for everyone.



Next month one of our parents, Marla, will be sharing her expertise with pottery with our students. We are sure you will be hearing more about that from your child. Also, watch for notices to come home soon with information about some gym classes out and about in the community. With the improved weather conditions we have started our daily walks again so please remind the children to dress accordingly.

Report cards will be given out March 23rd!

Thank you Nolan, Ronin's dad, for putting together the video about our school and the Montessori method of teaching. Thanks so much to the parents who came out to the open house.



Please remember, the children of Meadow Montessori School are asked to each donate 25¢ at the beginning of each month towards supporting Guerdy, our girl in Haiti.



Together, we can make a difference in Guerdy's life.

REMEMBER to SWIPE



SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL!



Did you know?

We have a uniform exchange program at the school for our elementary students. Many gently used items are available and will be offered at a fraction of the price of new on Friday, June 12th, new uniforms can be purchased from Neat Uniforms in Burnaby in the summertime.