



“Establishing lasting peace is the work of education; all politics can do is keep us out of war.”
– Maria Montessori

Dear MCH Families,
February started off with an exciting Family Fun Night. While the children laughed it up enjoying a puppet show, the parents were next door getting to know each other. The turn out couldn't have been better! Stay tuned for details regarding our next gathering! February's National Montessori Education Week culminated in a whole-school celebration. The children gathered to hear each class sing a song about love or peace. Each class also made a healthy snack which we shared and ate picnic style. The children learned about Maria Montessori and her many contributions that led to the creation of their beloved Montessori Children's House!

Also, in honor of Maria Montessori, this coming month MCH Warminster will put peace tables, a conflict resolution tool, in each primary classroom. The children are taught to listen and speak respectfully and to take turns expressing themselves. At the peace table, children can resolve their differences without harsh words or hurt feelings. Once the children learn the lessons of this, they will have a virtual peace table wherever they go.

Warm Wishes,
Melissa
Melissa Ouellette, Principal

March 13, 2020 – NO SCHOOL
Teacher In-Service
Both school and supplemental care will be closed on Friday, March 13th for a staff in-service day.



NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2020

March 5, 2020 - Parent/Child Classroom Visits 6:30-7:30

Come in and visit your child's classroom on March 5th from 6:30-7:30pm. Watch what keeps your child engaged during the day! Ask your child to show you their favorite work. It is sure to be a wonderful experience.

Several things about that night:

- Teachers are unable to meet with you about your individual child that evening. We will be happy to arrange a time for you to meet individually with the teacher.
- Both parents may join (no siblings please). The rooms cannot fit any more than that.
- The evening will end promptly at 7:30pm, so be sure to arrive at 6:30pm so you have plenty of time in the classroom!
- This is a fun night; please let your child decide what work to show you. It is okay if they don't choose to show you "hard" or "challenging" work that evening.

March 16-21

Parent Observation Week

There will be an email distributed through sign up genius asking you to pick a time to observe your child in their classroom. Please look for it in your inbox by March 4th!

Spotlight On... Montessori for Kindergarten.

Many parents are currently considering their options for next school year, especially those with children moving into kindergarten. Will it be public, private, or one more year in Montessori? There are benefits and drawbacks of every option and the decision is unique for every family and every child. If it were up to us, we would, of course, prefer your child continue their Montessori education at MCH-Warminster.

So, why Montessori kindergarten? Montessori primary (3-6) is designed as a 3-year process, based on scientific observations of child development. Academically, the first year is a period of absorption and adjustment, the second of concrete learning. Kindergarten is the year when work branches into the abstract and the attention span catches up to their cognitive abilities. Emotionally, the kindergarten year is confidence building. It is their chance to be the oldest, the one who knows and can help. This allows them to see concepts in new ways and to learn to accept differences in peer abilities. The best reason of all, we know your child and offer them a small classroom environment where they are empowered and encouraged. This is their last opportunity to have such individualized attention from their teacher.

Transitions can be tricky for some children no matter when they take place. With more maturity, more confidence, more experience, one more year before transitioning can only help. I hope this article has granted you some clarity and has helped you along in your decision-making process.

I hope to See you next year.

CAMP DISCOVERY

at Montessori Children's House

We have an exciting line up each week for Camp Discovery, our summer camp. I hope you will join us for the fun! Camp Applications were sent home Friday 2/21/2020. If you would like to pick up an application for a friend, please stop by the office. We are planning another extremely fun summer!



[CLICK HERE
2020 Camp Brochure](#)

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2020 Camp Application](#)



Fall Re-enrollment

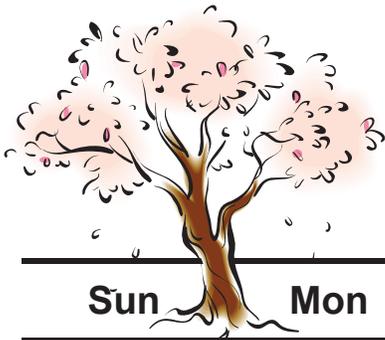
If you have not done so, please hand your re-enrollment paperwork. Re-enrollment forms were given to every family to reserve spots for next year. If you need another form, I will be happy to give you another copy. If your child is presently in Kindergarten, you still need to fill in the re-enrollment form on the bottom stating that your child is going into first grade.

Giant A+ School Rewards

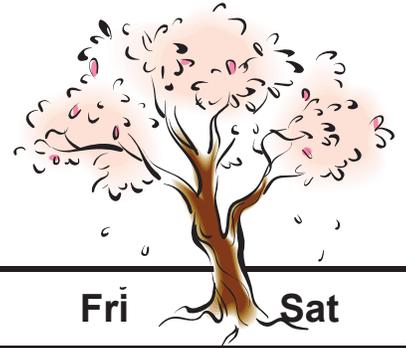
Thank you for signing up for Giant A+ School Rewards program. If you haven't signed up yet, there is still time. To register your Giant Bonus card and designate the Montessori Children's House # 06698 to earn points. Each time you shop at Giant using your Bonus card, you will earn cash for our school's educational needs. So, don't forget to encourage family, friends and neighbors to sign up too. [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up!

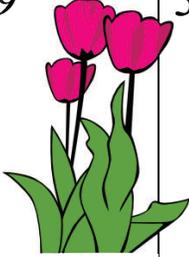


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March 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>GYM</i> <i>Read Across America</i> <i>Dr. Seuss' Birthday</i>	3	4 <i>Yoga</i>	5 <i>Pizza</i> Tooth Buddies 11:00 Parent Child Night 6:30-7:30	6	7 
8 <i>Daylight Saving Time</i> 	9 <i>Music</i>	10	11 <i>Yoga</i> 	12 <i>Pizza</i>	13 In-Service Day No School No Supplemental	
15	16 <i>GYM</i> Parent Observation Week through the 20th	17 <i>Saint Patrick's Day</i>	18 <i>Yoga</i>	19 <i>Pizza</i> First Day of Spring	20	21 
22	23 <i>Music</i> 	24	25 <i>Yoga</i> 	26 <i>Pizza</i>	27	28 
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