



Olympic View Montessori Newsletter

September 2007



Future Events:



Thursday, October 4th...Afternoon Class
Field Trip to Hands on pumpkin patch

Thursday, October 18th ...No School
Teacher Inservice

Thursday, October 25 th..Morning Class
field trip to Hands On Pumpkin patch

Halloween Party:

The children may wear their Halloween costumes on Halloween. Both classes will have an art project, then we will trick or treat around our complex. Please come join us at 10:30 for the morning class and 1:15 for the afternoon class trick or treating. Siblings are welcome for trick or treating, please let us know if you are bringing one so we can let the merchants know the right number of children.

Address List:Please find in your cubbies the FINAL updated and corrected address list!

Dress for Weather: Don't be in denial—the rains will start again. We try to take the kidlets outside everyday, so be sure they have warm coats. If you send them in boots, pack a pair of shoes for the classroom. Otherwise they clunk and stumble all over the place. And write their names on the label to avoid Gap jean jacket

Pajama Day:November 1st is pajama day. The children can wear pajamas and bring in a special friend. We would like to show "Muppet Movie" that day, please let us know if this is a problem.

Lunches: Tazza Bella, two doors down, offers a box lunch for those who stay full day. It is \$4 and includes four of the following items: sandwich, (pbj or turkey, a whole is 2 items) carrots, cheese stick, chips, crackers, cucumbers or a cookie. You can purchase prepaid cards there or send in \$4 the day of with your order.

Welcome to the Monthly Newsletter!

When you ask your child "What did you do today?" do they say, "Nuthin"? Do they respond, "We had raisins for snack, they were yucky"? Or do they answer, "I built the pink tower and the brown stair in a variety of combinations, then I sorted magnetic from nonmagnetic objects and finished up with 1 to 6 counting on apple trees." If the latter is true then you probably don't need this newsletter. For the rest of you, read this and find out what we do all day.

Kid's Tidbits

Ms.Nicki: "Bear's sleep in the day and are up at night."

Emri: "We should try that!"



Picture Day:Picture day is Thursday, October 11th. Packets to come soon. We will need 1 volunteer for each class to walk to children to pictures in the other building. Siblings welcome for pictures. Group photos too. Let us know and we will let you know the time to be here. Thanks

Practicals: Remember to check your cubbies daily. Also, label everything so we can find backpacks, lunches, water bottles when your child can't. Drop off and Pick up times:

Drop off:8:45am-9:00am (morning/full day)
12:15pm-12:30pm (afternoon)

Pick up: 11:45am-12:00pm(morning)
3:15pm-3:30pm(afternoon/full day)

Please be on time. If you are late for drop off please come in and quietly drop off your child, so as to not disrupt the circle.

If you are late picking up in the morning you will get one warning then it will be \$1 for every minute late. If you are latepicking up in the afternoon your child will be sent to extended care. The fee is \$7 an hour. After two late occurrences registration for extended care will be required.

If you need to pick up your child early please call the school so we can prepare your child and not disrupt the other children's learning process Thank you.

Fire and Earthquake Drills: This last month we had a fire drill and we will have an earthquake drill this month at school. If there is ever a fire or earthquake during school hours, the school phone will be forwarded to my cell phone. **This will be in for emergencies only.** Refer to your parent handbook for emergency policy.

A note from Ms. Kait and Ms.Tjelle:

The first month of school has gone very well. We have finished evaluating your children and we have begun using our goal sheets and "thinking" work. The children choose one "thinking" work from their drawers before they can choose "free" work (painting, play dough, necklace making). Please let us know if you have any questions. We would be happy to show you the work if you do not know what it is in Montessori terms. The following is one thing in each of the areas of the classroom we learned last month. Note: Kindergarteners do 3 thinking works a day.

Morning Class/Full Day

Practical Life: Pouring& polishing

Sensorial: Knobbed & Knobless Cylinders

Math: number rods

Language: Sounds and Letters a, b, c

Geography: Names of the seven Continents & land, air, water sort

Science: Color Unit

Olympic Ballet Theater: In

December we will be attending the Nutcracker. If you would like to attend and if any siblings would like to attend, please let us know so we can purchase enough tickets. Sibling tickets are \$6 each and payable by November 30th. The performance is December 14th at the Edmonds Center for the Arts, at 10:30am. This is a special day, no school, but the children can meet at the school at 9:30 and attend together and be picked up by 11:30pm.