

Montessori Children's Village

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May Newsletter – 2010

Upcoming Calendar:

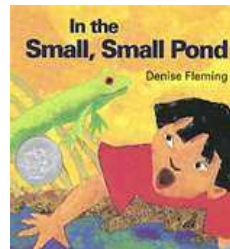
May 3-7	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 3	Parent evaluations sent home
May 6	Library Day – 12:30
May 7	Sign-up due for child care at RMM May 28 th & June 4 th
May 10	Class picture forms are due
May 13	Kindergarten students field trip to Historical Museum
May 14	Parent evaluations due
May 25	Rehearsal for Spring Program 9:30. All 4K students come 8:30-11:00.
May 25	Spring Program and Kindergarten Graduation 6:30 pm
May 26	4 year old Kindergarten students to see Native American Dancers at A.C. Kiefer – 1:00
May 28	No classes – open for child care at RMM
May 31	Memorial Day – school will be closed
June 3	All school picnic at Riverside Park 9:00-1:00
June 3	Last day of school
June 4	School closed – open for child care at RMM until 11:30 am
June 7	Summer Camp begins



May Focus:

Study Topics: Farm, Life Cycles & Mexico

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Parent Evaluations:

A parent evaluation will be going home this month. Please fill it out and return to school by May 14th. You may put your evaluations in the box outside the office. Please take time to fill this out. Your input is very valuable to the improvement of our school.

Pictures:

Class pictures were taken. If you would like to order pictures the cost is \$4.00 for a 5x7 and \$8.00 for a 8x10. Pictures will be available to look at on the buffet by the office. An order form is attached to the newsletter or available in the office.



Teacher Appreciation Week:

The week of May 3 – 7 is set aside as Teacher Appreciation Week! For a class to operate as well as what you see at our schools, the teachers have spent many, many hours outside their classroom researching, going to workshops, preparing materials and studying! They really do dedicate their time and their love and their talents to your children. Please take some time this week to thank your child's teacher.

Historical Museum (Kindergarten):

The Kindergarten students will be going by city bus to the Historical Museum on Thursday, May 13th at 9:30am. A museum staff will present a traveling trunk of artifacts and also give them a tour of the Yawkey House. Permission slips for the field trip are due May 10th.

The cost is \$1.50. We need parent chaperons for this field trip.

Spring Program Rehearsal:

On Tuesday, May 25th we will take a city bus to the Wesley United Methodist Church (1101 Elm St., Wausau) to practice for the Spring Program. Practice is at 9:30 am. If your child is five or older the cost to ride the bus is \$1.00. Permission slips are due May 17th. Four-year-old Kindergarten students will attend school 8:30 – 11:00. Please pick your 4K student up at the Wesley United Methodist Church at 11:00. We will not have afternoon 4K that day.



Spring Program & Kindergarten Graduation:

Tuesday, May 25th is the Spring Program and Kindergarten Graduation. All family and friends are invited! The program will be held at the Westley United Methodist Church (1101 Elm St., Wausau). The program starts at 6:30 with a reception to follow after the program. Please have your child to the church by 6:15. We ask that parents bring some type of fruit or vegetable plate, dessert (the kind that can be picked up with fingers), cheese plate, or crackers.

Native American Dancers (4K):

On Wednesday, May 26th the four-year-old Kindergarten students will be taking a school bus to A.C. Kiefer school to see Native American Dancers. They will be leaving school at 12:30. Permissions slips are due May 17th.



May 28th:

There is no school on May 28th. Child care will be available at Rib Mountain

Montessori. Please sign-up by Friday, May 7th. This helps us with staff scheduling.

Memorial Day, May 31:

School will be closed for Memorial Day. Have a safe Memorial Day!

All School Picnic June 3rd:

The all school picnic will be held at Riverside Park from 9:00-1:00. We will have the shelter rented for that day. On that day, we will have games for the children to play and would welcome adults to lead the games and/or bring an outside game. Have your child bring a lunch in a brown bag that morning and wear suntan lotion!



School closed June 4th:

School will be closed June 4th. Child care will be available at Rib Mountain Montessori until 11:30 am. Please sign-up by Friday, May 7th.

Montessori Summer Camp:

Enclosed is a preview of the first two weeks of Summer Camp, the Adventures (ages 6 – 10). We are excited about the upcoming camp. Get your applications in now so we can finalize our staff and order supplies.



Summer Birthdays:

On our May calender we have included the summer Birthdays. We would like to celebrate their “special day”. We are asking that you bring in a special treat for snack that day. If the assigned day does not work for you please let us know and we can select another day.

Snack Sharing:

A special thank-you to all families for the wonderful snacks! They were healthy, tasty & made “special” because your child was able to share with us.

Leah's Baby:

Congratulations to Leah and her family. She had a baby boy, Anders Paul, on April 21. He weighed 7lb 10oz and was 19in long. All are doing well!!

Dear Families,

We are soon to see the last full month of this school year! That is something that I always greet with both excitement and sadness. It is so exciting to see how the children have grown and how happy they are to welcome running outside again, and it is so sad to see them get “bigger” and to see some of them leave us and move on to first grade! This school year, cash flow for the school, has been the toughest one we have had since 1990! But, we have been able to make a number of changes since January, and we will be able to end the school year on a positive note. We have had many parents who have stepped up to help with fund raisers, to help with ideas, who have donated money, who have brought in great, healthy snack foods, and who have served as support in many other ways. The school has had to cut one office position, some office staff hours and planning hours for the staff. None of the changes were easy ones! However, the end result is that we will be in a better place to plan for the 2010/2011 school year. I thank each of you for your assistance and I am glad we are facing the next school year in a better financial place. Miss Patti



HAVE A FUN AND SAFE
SUMMER!!
The Montessori Children's Village Staff

Sunburn

Sunburn can happen within 15 minutes of being in the sun, but the redness and discomfort may not be noticed for a few hours. Repeated sunburns can lead to skin cancer. Unprotected sun exposure is even more dangerous for kids who have many moles or freckles, very fair skin and hair, or a family history of skin cancer.



Signs and Symptoms

Mild

- skin redness and warmth
- pain
- itchiness

Severe:

- skin redness and blistering
- pain and tingling
- swelling
- headache
- nausea
- fever and chills
- dizziness



What to Do:

- Remove the child from the sun right away.
- Place the child in a cool (not cold) shower or bath – or apply cool compresses as often as needed.
- Give extra fluids for the next 2 to 3 days.
- Give the child ibuprofen or acetaminophen as directed, if needed, to relieve pain.
- Use moisturizing creams or aloe gel to provide comfort.
- When going outside, all sunburned areas should be fully covered to protect the child from the sun until healed.

Seek Emergency Medical Care if:

- a sunburn forms blisters or is extremely painful
- a child has facial swelling from a sunburn
- a sunburn covers a large area
- a child has fever or chills after getting sunburned
- a child has headache, confusion, or a feeling of faintness
- you see signs of dehydration (increased thirst or dry eyes and mouth)



Think Prevention!

- Minimize kids' summer sun exposure between 10 AM and 4 PM.
- Have kids wear protective clothing, sunglasses, and a hat.
- Apply sunscreen that provides UVB and UVA protection with a sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 15.
- Apply sunscreen 15 to 30 minutes **before sun exposure** and 30 minutes after exposure begins, then reapply after kids have been swimming or sweating.