



MONTESSORI MATTERS



Community Montessori School

Week of May 1, 2009



Photo by Wil Ashby April 25, 2009

I was so pleased to see so many former and current parents and students at our Groundbreaking this past Saturday. My heart is always touched by the commitment our parents and students have for this program. It is an incredible journey that CMS/MMSK has made since our inception in 1970. Some of those early 1970's families are still just as interested and just as dedicated as they were way back when!

Just think, we started in 1970, moved to Crestwood Drive in 1976, added our gym in 1984, built some additions to our building during those years, built our Primary and Junior Level play structures, started Montessori Middle School of Kentucky in 1996 and here we are in 2009 building the middle school on 13 acres of land that we purchased in 2004. All of this has been done, for the most part by private donations and foundations, *not by raising tuition for our programs.*

Some people say "you must be proud of what has been accomplished" and I have to reply "I sure am." I think we are unique in our perseverance. We have overcome some fairly large obstacles along the way, but **HERE WE ARE!!**

SPRING CMS 2009 SCHOOL CALENDAR

May	25	Monday	No School—Memorial Day
	29	Friday	Last day of school—No Extended Day All Primary Level students leave at 11:35 dismissal 6 th Grade Graduation—1:30 p.m.
June	1	Monday	6 th Grade Year End Trip Primary & Junior Level Guides In-Service Day
	2	Tuesday	Primary & Junior Level Guides In-Service Day

Important Dates of Next School Year 2009-2010

August

16	Sunday	Parent Meeting: 6:00 pm Classroom Meetings 7:00 pm Whole School Meeting in Jock's Gym
18	Tues	First Day of School for Lower and Upper Elementary students First Graders leave at 11:30 am August 18-21
24-28	Mon-Fri	Orientation for new Primary Level Students 8:45 am – 10:45 am

September

1	Tuesday	School starts for all Primary Level students 8:15 am – 11:35 am No Extended Day Sessions this week
7	Monday	No School-Labor Day
11	Friday	Fun Fair 5 p.m.—8 p.m.
14	Monday	First Full Day for Extended Day Students

Celebration For Education Friday, November 6

Spring Break Friday, March 26– Friday, April 2, 2010

PRIMARY LEVEL – Franklin, Hughes, Somsel:

Franklin: We are looking forward to crossing the Kentucky River on the Valley View Ferry. We are studying bridges and continue to explore Europe and learn about birds.

Hughes: The students are excited with spring. We are studying insects!

Somsel: The extended day tea for the parents was a sweet success. The children beautifully prepared the food and tables and kindly served their parents. A very wonderful time.

LOWER ELEMENTARY - Gray & Mason

We are continuing to prepare for our Mother's Day Tea next Friday, May 8th and our Ancient Civilization Presentations on Wednesday, May 27th

UPPER ELEMENTARY - Simpson & Spitz

Many students have followed up their botany studies with going-outs to Red River Gorge and Raven Run—in amazing weather! All students are getting deeply involved in preparing projects for the Ancient Civilization Fair or for the end of the year play as well as finishing up their Ancient Civilization research. 6th year students are preparing “Wizard of Oz” for everyone's enjoyment. The play will be presented immediately following the Fair (5:30 – 6:30 pm) on Thursday, May 21.

SCHOOL BAND – Hickner:

The students performed a wonderful concert after the parent meeting. Thanks to all for their hard work. We will play for a school assembly before the end of the year.

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM - 333-0020

Our classes have ended—Gymnastics, Drums, Improv, Spanish & Creative Endeavors.

Check with Mr. Hickner about band/lessons.

If you have any old games you are not using, we would love to have them & we accept yarn any time ☺

Thank you for a wonderful Open House!

Please make the following corrections to your Parent Handbook:

Add mailing address:

Lancianese, Nicholas, Christian & Nathan

Dino & Kristi Lancianese

3735 Palomar Cntr. Dr. Ste. 150 #27 40513

New phone numbers:

Hurley, Ava

Chad & Chloe Hurley

223 E. Bell Ct. 40508 No land line – Chad cell 983-0338

Chloe cell 983-0481

Please correct address:

Garcia, Ignacio & Cristina

Hector & Yndira Garcia

2519 Cannock Dr. 40509

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) Hello fellow Community Montessori family! My name is **Ashley Williams** and I am the proud mom of Ashton who is in his second year of Mr. Franklin's class. Like all of you, I am so very excited and proud that the new school has now broken ground: therefore, **I would like to continue giving to our Capital Campaign. I am an Independent Beauty Consultant with the Mary Kay Company, and am giving 10% to CMS from all my new customers involved with the school from now until the end of the school year. Please contact me at 533-6318 or visit my website www.marykay.com/msashleywilliams for information.** I offer free facials, personalized service, free samples, free product credit program, 100% satisfaction guaranteed products, and much, much more. **This is beauty shopping for a good cause!**

2) My name is **Emma Moody**. I am a graduate of CMS & MMSK. I am presently attending Montessori High School at University Circle in Cleveland, Ohio. **I will be home for the summer and am available for babysitting.** I can do days, nights, or weekends. I will be available from June 14 through August 1. Please consider me as a sitter and call me directly at 859-227-1913, or call my mom Peggy Somsel at 278-5529. Thank you!

3) **Summer Nanny—CMS-MMSK Graduate Ellie Oldham---Available for full-time employment**
I would love to take care of your child(ren) on a daily basis this summer. I graduated from Lexington Catholic High School last May and am finishing my freshman year at Transylvania University. I have a car and a spotless record. I would be happy to transport your child to the pool, library, park or visits with friends. I can do breakfast and lunch, etc. Ellie Oldham (Susie's daughter) References available.
Email: HCOldham12@transy.edu Cell: 859-608-9199

4) Looking for summer child care?

Call Ellen or Charlie Downs: 859-906-9957 or 502-316-3161 We are available M-F for ages 5 and up. Enjoy walks to the park, games, and arts & crafts. Lunch provided.