



MONTESSORI MATTERS



Community Montessori School

Week of April 16, 2010

Note from Mrs. Ashby

I received this poem from one of our parents this week and thought I would share it with you. Enjoy!!

Children

By Kahil Gibran

**They are the sons and daughters of
Life's longing for itself.**

**They come through you but not from
You,**

**And though they are with you yet they
Belong not to you.**

**You may give them your love but not
Your thoughts,**

For they have their own thoughts.

**You may house their bodies but not
Their souls,**

**For their souls dwell in the house of
Tomorrow, which you cannot visit, no
Even in your dreams.**

**You may strive to be like them, but seek
Not to make them like you...**

A Request From Mrs. Ashby

Many of our staff members and our students are avid animal lovers and it is sometimes a treat when we see dogs walking up the side walk with their families at arrival and dismissal. However, there are many of our "little ones" who are frightened of dogs. As always, our first concern is for the child and making sure they feel safe on this campus.

I think it would be better for our students and their comfort level if the dogs could stay in the car while you walk your child up the sidewalk.

Thank you so much for understanding.

APRIL & MAY CMS 2009-2010 SCHOOL CALENDAR

April

22 Thursday General Election/Parent Meeting and Band Concert 7:00 p.m.

May

26 Wed Last Day of School ALL LEVELS
3-4-5 year olds Leave at 11:35 a.m. dismissal
Graduation 1:30 p.m. Regular 3:00 p.m. dismissal
Afterschool Program is available

27 Thurs. Sixth Grade Year End Trip

Office Reminders:

1) If you would like to have Montessori Matters or school notes concerning schedules, meetings, etc. emailed to you (you will still also get notes by kiddie mail), please email Mrs. Ashby and we will add your email addresses to our list: jashby@cmsmontessori.org

God's Pantry Food Drive Update:

24, 564 pounds of food collected! That is 2,597 more than in 2009. 13 schools participated in the drive. Thank you for participating!!!

PRIMARY LEVEL – Franklin, Hughes, Somsel:

We have an Exciting new outdoor environment. The back part of the primary playground is now a garden for the primary level. We are preparing the soil and will be ready for planting next week. We are concentrating on vegetables and herbs. If you have any you would like to share, please bring them to Mr. Franklin's patio. Thanks—we are so happy!!

LOWER ELEMENTARY – Cencia & Gray:

MOMS (Both Classes)--Please put on your calendar: Thursday, May 6 Mother's Day Tea at 2:00 p.m.

UPPER ELEMENTARY - O'Loughlin & Simpson:

We are delving into the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, doing research in preparation for our fair in May. The 6th year students have auditioned and received their parts in this year's presentation of The Wizard of Oz. Put both on your calendar for Thursday, May 20th.

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM:

Save the Date!! Open House
Tuesday, April 27th 4:15 – 5:30 p.m.
Schedule: Improv, Gymnastics, Drum Class, and Art Display
Light Snack to follow presentations.

All classes will be concluded at the end of the Open House EXCEPT
Friday, April 30th is the last chess class.

BAND NEWS:

All levels of band will perform 2 concerts on Thursday, April 22nd. The band will play for a school assembly at 2:00 p.m. that is for the student body only and then they will play for the parents after the 7:00 p.m. Parent Meeting. Please reserve this date and let Mr. Hickner know as soon as possible if your child will not be available. Please encourage extra practice over the next week!

PARENT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) My name is Kristi Fouts, mom of Kaileigh Fouts (Mr. Franklin's Class). **I am a stay-at-home mom with 2 openings for summer time childcare.** I provide a clean, safe and secure home environment where every child is treated as if they were my own.

We have plenty of fun outdoor activities in our fenced backyard and have built a brand new outdoor gym. Our indoor play room is lots of fun for when the days are just too hot.

I have a BS degree in psychology and early childhood development, as well as, many years as a nanny and working in various childcare situations.

******Please contact me at 230-0933 for more information. I look forward to hearing from you!**

2) I am Christina Frey (20 years old) Melanie McConathy's niece—Draven McConathy is in Mrs. Cencia's class. **I would like to babysit over the summer**—I am available every day but Friday sundown to Saturday sundown starting on May 10th. I am a sophomore at UK who loves children. I have my own transportation. **Please contact me at Christina.frey@uky.edu or 1-(270)-308-0589.**

3) **Foster care needed ASAP for my pets! We are moving and can't take them until we can buy a house. I would pay all expenses. We have both dogs and cats. Any help would be appreciated.**

Donna Farrar Until Monday morning: 859-273-8936, cell: 859-351-6005

After 4/27—donna.farrar@gwu-hospital.com

4) **Aviation Camps Summer of 2010 at the Aviation Museum of Kentucky, Blue Grass Airport**

Help fly an actual airplane *plus learn about the science* of aeronautics, navigation, weather, flight simulation, aircraft design, careers in aviation plus much more.

June 7-8 Level 1 – ages 10-11

June 10-11 Level 2 – ages 12-13

June 14-15 Level 1 – ages 10-11

June 17-18 Level 2 – ages 12-13

June 21-22 Level 3 – ages 14-15

Applications can be downloaded from the museum website at www.aviationky.org

Questions? Call (859) 353-0467 and leave a message or email camps2010@aviation.org

All camps are held at the Aviation Museum of KY at Blue Grass Airport from 8:30 until 3:30 each day.

5) **Side By Side**

A collaborative exhibition of artwork created by young artists with disabilities and area artists.

(One of our parents, Jan Durham, has artwork that is a part of this display ☺)

Presented by: VSA arts of Kentucky in partnership with Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Hospital and the Lexington Art League.

April 17 – May 31, 2010

Opening is in conjunction with the Lexington Gallery Hop from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

LexingtonArtLeague at the Mayor's Office

200 East Main Street on the 12th Floor

6) Doug and Andrea Fiero (parents of Maddy and Abigail Fiero) are looking for other families with which we may share our nanny in our home (Firebrook neighborhood) beginning Fall 2010.

Our nanny will take children infants through primary level.

***Please contact the Fieros at (859) 309-2544 or asfiero@insightbb.com.

7) **Turnoff Week: April 20th -26th**

If you are interested or thinking of a way to cut down your electronic usage a bit, this coming week is just what you need! Take a chance to walk away from your TV, computer, games, video, iPods, and cell phones. Millions of people around the world participate in Turnoff Week. Turning off the screen gives us time to think, read, create, and do the things we never have time for. This event is supported by the American Medical Association, American Academy of Pediatrics, National Education Association, and President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports. Give it a try ☺

8) **Second Presbyterian Church**
Welcomes Best-Selling Author

Marybeth Hicks

Sunday, April 25th

5-7pm

A married mother of four children, Marybeth is an uplifting speaker and popular radio personality, as well as the weekly family culture columnist for *The Washington Times*.

Funny, insightful, and inspiring, Hicks provides a strong, how-to voice for parents who want to promote innocence over exploitation, substance over style, and genuine self-esteem over superficial acceptance.

Join us for a lively discussion on

Bringing up GEEKs (Genuine, Enthusiastic, Empowered Kids): How to Protect Your Kid's Childhood in a Grow-up-too-fast World

Admission is free

Seating is limited

Please call (254-7768) or email the church office (pauletted@2preslex.org) for a reservation.

For more information about Marybeth visit: www.marybethhicks.com



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**Mark your calendar – 2010 Celebration for Education, Friday, November 5th!!
Keene Barn and Entertainment Center (at Keeneland)
Celebrating 40 years of Community Montessori School**

The countdown is on....did you know that we are only SIX WEEKS from the end of the school year? Then, before we know it, we will be back in August to begin a new school year!!! As soon as school starts, we hit the ground running – Labor Day plans, Fun Fair, fall activities, and OF COURSE, CFE! CFE comes very quickly after school starts back and there is SO much to do to pull off an event of our size, so starting now with CFE can certainly help lighten the fall load!

Who can you go ahead and ask for your donation? Can you get more than the one required??

Who might be willing to advertise in our CFE Program?

Who might agree to Corporate Sponsorship?

We just received another fantastic donation – a large bourbon tasting event with Woodford Reserve! We also have several smaller donations & don't forget; we have the house at Kiawah Island again!

Lastly, as we are in the full swing of spring and the planting season is upon us, I'd like to remind everyone to **PLEASE consider visiting Springhouse Gardens!** Springhouse Gardens is the nursery that was so generous in letting us use all of that beautiful plant material that helped make our event GORGEOUS last fall. They are located at Catnip Hill and Harrodsburg Road and have just opened an "in town" location at Man-O-War and Grassy Creek. I know they would appreciate your business and it is a great way for us to say "thank you" to them for their generosity! If you feel inclined, tell them you appreciate their support of our event and you are there to show your support to them in return!

Thank you for everything you are out there doing for our 2010 CFE!! If you have questions, need paperwork, etc, please call Kristi Lancianese at 825-8669 or email to kristicfemail@insightbb.com.



Amazon.com: CMS has signed up for a new program with Amazon.com. Amazon will donate 6% of your purchases back to CMS. In order to take advantage of this you will need to access Amazon through our website: cmsmontessori.org Click on the link at our website which you can then bookmark!

Kroger: If you are a frequent Kroger shopper you can come into the school office and pick up a "CMS Kroger Card" – the cards cost \$5.00 (they come "loaded" with \$5.00 on them). When you are shopping, preload the card with your grocery money. Cards can be reloaded over and over again. Every time you use the card CMS will receive 4% of your purchased amount. Just last month CMS received \$250 from Kroger!



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