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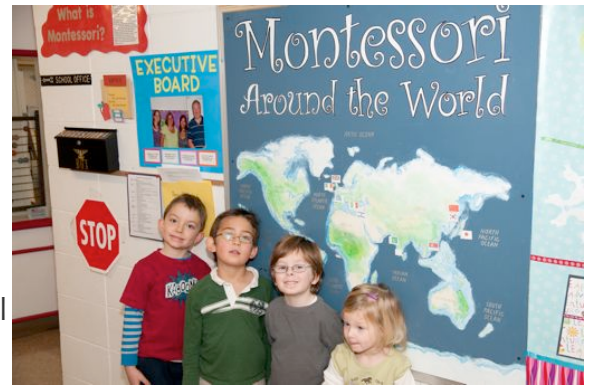
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Newsletter

From the Principal's Desk By Jan Howland

WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome back to our returning parents and students and a warm NSMS welcome to our new families! Hopefully, you had a wonderful summer! The teachers and I are very excited about our fun filled field trips and social events that are being planned for the school year. Make sure you mark your calendars for all the upcoming events. It is a wonderful time to learn more about your school, socialize with other parents, and get to know your children's friends.



Now that we are starting a new school year we require that all children wash their hands upon entering school. Experts say simple things like hand washing go a long way toward keeping children healthy. We also recommend that this routine be followed when the children arrive home from school. Also, remember to be sure your child is well-rested and well-fed to be sure his/her brain and body have the energy to make the most of all the NSMS day has to offer! Give your child that healthy boost to help avoid the spreading of illnesses that often heralds the start of the school year.

Northwest Suburban Montessori is a wonderful school and the more parents, teachers, aides and students get involved, the better our school will become. We are proud of our school community and the opportunities we provide for our children. Together, we strive to make sure NSMS is your child's House Close to Home!

Here's to another great year ahead!



**Congratulations to the
Majerczak Family!!**
Alexis Jolie born September 8th.
Big brother is Blake is in
Mrs. Heineman's class.

Welcome to NSMS!

Maria Aargon,
our new
Spanish Teacher!



Upcoming Events

September 28th

Dining for Dollars, Moretti's Restaurant
Scholastic Book orders due

October 4th

Innisbrook Fundraiser Orders Due

October 5th

Didier Farm Pumpkin Patch Field Trip for Full-day Students

October 6th

Didier Farm Pumpkin Patch Field Trip for Half-day Students

October 11th

Picture Day

October 19th

Parent Board Meeting

October 23rd

Boo Bash Halloween Party, Thomas Middle School 3:00-5:00 pm

October 25th

Montessori Works Night



October Composer of the Month: Sergei Prokofiev

News From the Toddler Classroom By Kelly Behn

Welcome to the 2011 -2012 school year!

The Toddler room is a buzz of activity. The children are transitioning into their new environment and learning to say goodbye to Mom. They are also meeting many new friends. September is a month of becoming familiar with the classroom and all the new faces. We are washing dishes, scrubbing rocks, and painting apples. When the weather is nice, we walk to the park holding our bead rope. On line we sing the ABC's, The Itsy Bitsy Spider, Head Shoulders Knees and Toes, and a song that teaches us all our new friends names. For gross motor movement we are walking, jumping, marching, twirling, and running in place on the line. We have also been dancing with ribbons.



In October there will be new work on the shelves, the painting table and the water tables. We will also be decorating a bag for our pumpkin scramble to be held at the park during class the week of Oct. 17. The first few months of the school year is a time for us to get to know your child, and your child to begin to know and trust us. Toddlers love to be outside, so take advantage of the beautiful fall weather and go on a nature walk with your child.

News from the 3-6 Year Old Classrooms By Sue Cerabona

"The first essential for the child's development is concentration. The child who concentrates is immensely happy." Maria Montessori

Our first few weeks of school have been filled with lots of activities. The children have become more settled and focused. They have spent time getting to know each other, learning how to choose work, completing it, and preparing the work for the next friend.

This month we prepare to enjoy the beauty of the season of fall. Each classroom will enjoy a fun field trip to Didier Pumpkin Farm for a hayride and an opportunity to pick their own pumpkin! We will also discover the "new world" with Christopher Columbus. In addition, we will learn about community helpers with a visit from the Arlington Heights Police Department who will talk about how to stay safe. Lastly, we will have our school Halloween Party at Thomas on Sunday, October 23rd --the children enjoy this afternoon with their teachers and friends.

Take time to enjoy the beauty that fall has to share with your child.



Personalized Bricks



Consider buying a brick while your child is still here at NSMS! This way they can see their names when they walk to our school playground. Orders can only be placed twice a year - once in December and once at the end of the year. Each brick costs \$100. Thank you for your support!

Have some Good News for our NSMS Newsletter?

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