

Weekly Reminders

January 25, 2011

I would like to thank all of our families that attended our corporation meeting Thursday night. There was a lot of important information and as a participating parent, it is crucial to be involved in your school. Some important information discussed at our meeting:

- Our treasurer, Brian Barroso spoke about our current **budget and tuition** rates for next school year. We will be working on the budget over the next few months, re-enrollment begins in April.
- **A Day of Love and Play** - sign-up sheets were posted for those families who still need to fulfill their fundraising obligation with their choice of "jobs". The listing is now located outside the office if you did not get the opportunity to sign-up at the meeting. We need volunteers to help run the games and help with the food table. If you are not able to sign up and you still have hours to complete, we will contact you to discuss how you can help. This is essentially the last fundraiser that you will have an opportunity to get those hours done, so please sign-up or even better, attend our meeting Wednesday the 26th @ 8:30am.
- **Raffle Tickets** - Last week your child should have come home with 15, \$10 tickets on a necklace. Every family is responsible for selling 15 tickets and turning the money into the office by Friday, February 11th. The drawing will take place at our Love and Play Children's Event the following day. If you did not receive the tickets, please come to the office and pick them up in the office. If you can sell more than your required 15, you can pick up extra tickets in the office and will earn an additional fundraising hour for every additional 5 tickets you can sell. If you have any questions please let us know or come to the meeting on Wednesday.
- **Enrichment** - Please find attached enrichment forms for our winter session. The following classes are full, Art and Music (ages 5 - 6). We have very limited space in the younger music class, the 1st year Spanish class and Yoga. These classes fill up quickly so please submit your registration form AND money to the office as soon as possible. There will be a third enrichment session after spring break. Enrichment is a privilege. Please express to your child that if they are excessively disruptive in the enrichment class, they will be asked to leave and we will move down thru the waitlist for that particular class. All of our Enrichment Instructors have Department of Children and Families (DCF) background checks.
- **School Yearbook** - You may now purchase a school yearbook for only \$12.00. What a great keepsake from your child's amazing years at Montessori Children's School. Attached in this email are the order forms if you did not receive one at the Corporation meeting. The yearbooks must be preordered by the end of February, please submit your order form and payment to the office. I am so excited about this! If you would like to place a special ad for your child in the yearbook, please see the rate sheet for advertisements. This is a great opportunity for you, your friends and neighbors to promote your business by putting an ad in the yearbook. Check out the attached sheet for more information. You may drop off the payment and artwork to Melissa at Stone Soup Art Gallery on Simonton Street, or you may drop it in the office during business hours.
- There will be three **Board Member Positions** available for the upcoming school year. We will ask for nominations beginning in April. Please consider serving the school in this manner. There will be more information about the requirements of the position when we get closer to election time. Board members serve for two consecutive school years.

Sincerely,
Kim Livingston, Head of School

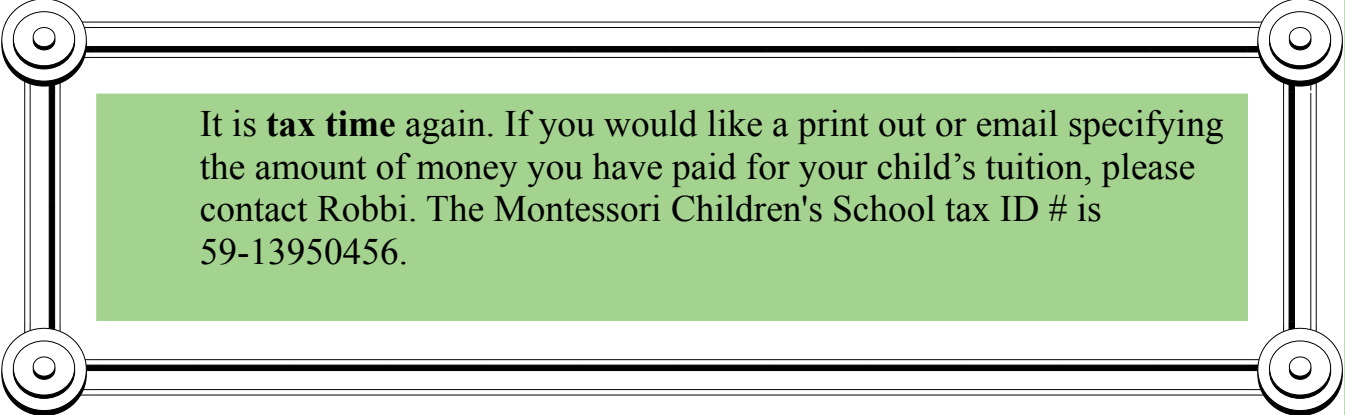


DATES TO REMEMBER

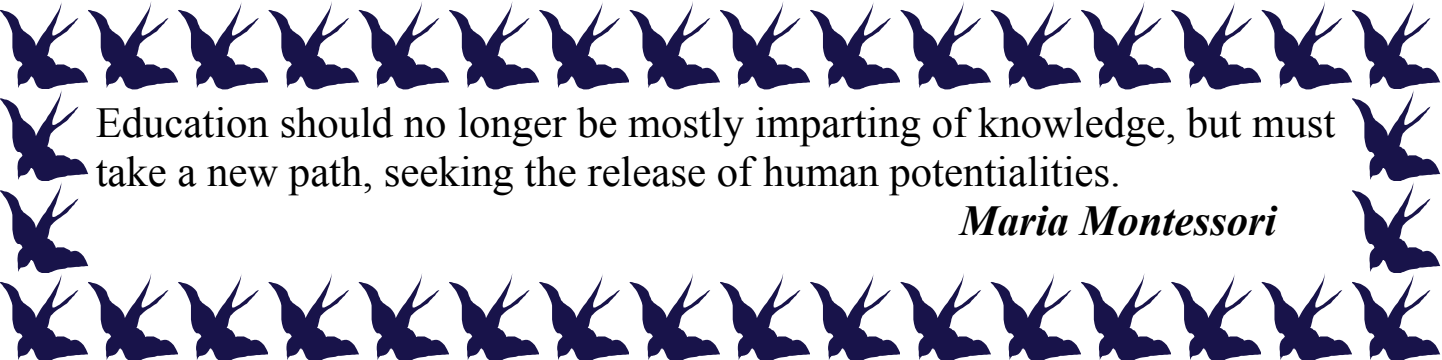
- January 28 - Early dismissal, sign up if childcare needed
- January 31 - Deadline for Pepsi Grant votes
- February 5 Saturday - workpay party to clean grounds, please email Kim to let her know you can come. Party begins at 8:30am
- February 10 - Planning and Development Committee meeting @ 3:00pm
- February 12 - LOVE AND PLAY CHILDREN'S EVENT

CHILDRENS TIRE PAINTING SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

The Niles family has donated tires for the children to paint as a donation to our Silent Auction to take place at our Love and Play Event on February 12th. The children will decorate the tires with Latex paint. Please let Kim know if you do not approve of this for your child and we will ensure that they do not participate in the activity. Thank you.



It is **tax time** again. If you would like a print out or email specifying the amount of money you have paid for your child's tuition, please contact Robbi. The Montessori Children's School tax ID # is 59-13950456.



Education should no longer be mostly imparting of knowledge, but must take a new path, seeking the release of human potentialities.

Maria Montessori