

# Montessori School of Encinitas

## Newsletter for October 2018

### From the Office of the Director:

When I see the children enter the doors of the school at the beginning of each year I am always surprised by how young they are. I then remember how fast they develop and grow over the course of the school year. I am often astounded come June or July by how much the children have learned and how older they seem. We are excited and happy to be with your children and it is our desire to provide the very best for them and their future. We strive to provide an environment rich in possibilities to explore, think, deduce and discover, not only for future success in school, but for success in life. We also strive to provide an environment which encourages respect and courtesy for ourselves and for others. Cheers to a spooky month ahead!



### Dates & Events to remember:

- **October 8 (Monday)** — Columbus Day
- **October 29 (Monday)** — Pumpkin Patch
- **October 31 (Wednesday) at 10am** – Halloween Costume Parade around the shopping complex. (NO masks, NO weapons) Parents are very much welcome to join our parade. Please join in the fun of dressing up!!



### Important Reminders :

- New rates for the new school year and payments are due on Monday of that week. **Late fees will be charged.**

### For your child's safety:

- Use your full legal signature to sign in and sign out from your child's attendance sheet.
- Always make sure that entry/exit doors are kept closed. Please do not allow your child to open the door. Do not use the Emergency Exit Doors. Do not open the door to a stranger, notify staff immediately.

Ms. Saro Mahesan

### Infant Classes:

We like to welcome Robert and Eirene. Thank you, for attending "Back to school" night. We also appreciate for the time you took to put together the family pictures. Our little ones are really enjoying it. We have our annual Halloween trick or treat parade on October 31 (Wednesday) at 10AM around the shopping complex. Everyone is encouraged to dress up in their Halloween costumes as we go around the shopping complex. We need parent volunteers to help us to push our baby strollers and walk with the children. This month the babies will learn about fall leaves, different textures by using tactile stimulation and perform art and crafts, and learn Halloween songs. Every day we encourage them to say and do the sign language like "more, please and all done".

Teachers: Ms. Usha, Ms. Jenny, Ms. Lily,  
and Ms. Martha



### Preschool Class:

We had an amazing Back to School Night and got to meet all our wonderful parents. Thank you for attending. Please submit your orders for the fundraising activity. Proceeds will go to our classroom materials and activities. Children are enjoying working on Montessori materials to enhance their skills and making progress in learning simple phonetic letters and numbers. In art and music appreciation, we will focus on the work of Henri Matisse and Bach. Children will learn about Gratitude as a value and Mahatma Gandhi as the role model. We will be celebrating Halloween and the season of Autumn this month. Children are looking forward to the Halloween costume parade. Kindly bring 6-10 photos of your child with his/her family and friends for our Child of the week board. Don't forget to check your child's cubby for extra clothes and snack calendar. Water bottles should be brought home everyday. Always remember to use your full legal signature when signing-in/signing-out on your child's attendance sheet.

## Toddler Class:

Hello everyone! Can you believe it? The month of October is already here. Time for us to start thinking about our costumes. We are excited for our parade around the complex, October 31. We will need volunteers to help make sure our toddlers get around safely. We had a successful start to an academic school year. We are blown away by how much our precocious toddlers are learning. Thank you for your participation with the Back to School Night. It was a pleasure talking to everyone. We want to welcome Daniel and Kai to the Toddler room. We look forward to assisting you in your developmental growth. Our themes are Fall and Halloween. Our activities and projects will be related to this theme. We appreciate all your support. Thank you.

Teachers: Ms. Mandy and Liz



## Preschool Prep Class:

Autumn is finally here along with all of the fun that the month of October brings. Let's welcome Mason and Emilio to our class. Thank you for your support during our back to school period. Children are responding to routines, rules and procedures.

**Language:** We will continue to learn sounds of letters every day. Some children are start tracing their letters.

**Math:** Counting is our children favorite one and we will continue practice to recognize their symbols using our Montessori materials as well.

**Cultural:** This month we will be going to focus about "OUR WORLD". We will learn about the continents of the world.

**Art:** Our artist of the month is a French painter **Claude Monet**. We will also discover the colors of Autumn through themes such as leaves and pumpkins. The children continue to enjoy creating unique artwork by drawing, painting, cutting, gluing, etc.

**Events:** Halloween preparations will be in the works too! We will have a parade in costume around the complex on Oct 31. Parents and family welcome to come and celebrate with us. We cannot wait to see our children with their cute costumes.

**Reminders:** If you haven't brought 8-10 pictures of his/her family and friends, please kindly to bring them, we would like to make sure that every child feel included in his/her class family board.

Please make sure to sign in and sign out from the children's attendance sheet every day.

### **Potty training:**

Some of them are using the potty for the first time. Please continue to be patient with the process and join us in celebrating their Progress .

Thank you for your very kind donation to fall 2018 fund raising program, your generosity will make an immediate difference in our classroom. The funds raised will go toward many classroom activities. We are looking forward to a wonderful school year with your children. Thanks!

Teachers: Ms. Naing and Ms. Vanessa

## Preschool/Kindergarten Class:

Let us welcome Ms. Golsa and Jordan to our class. Harvest and Halloween season is around the corner. It is the time of pumpkins, ghosts, goblins, witches and bats. We will discuss the fall season and observing all the changes this time of year.

Last month we started our fund raiser and the proceeds will be used for the purchase of some materials for classroom activities, support our parties, and events. Monetary donations are most welcome.

At this time of the school year, the children are beginning to focus on their academics; **Exercises of Practical Life (EPL)**, children love to learn and improve their motor skills and become independent. In **Mathematics**, the children are learning to identify numbers with the materials while others are learning the tens, odd and even numbers, hundreds and thousands. Older children are adding using the beads and strip board. In **Language**, some children continue learning the phonetic sounds of the alphabet, the first and last sound of words. Likewise, others are making three letter words with the aid of the movable alphabet and building sentences. In **Science**, children are identifying invertebrates versus vertebrates, magnetic versus non-magnetic things with the aid of objects and pictures or charts. In **Cultural**, they learn to identify the continents in continuation of the study of planets. This month's features for appreciation of the arts and music are Rembrandt and Chopin, respectively. Our role model is Mother Teresa and learn about the value of good judgement. Follow up guidance in teaching at home would be great reinforcement for your child to master his or her lessons.

We will have our Halloween Costume Parade on Tuesday, October 31 at 10am. Everyone is invited. NO masks, NO weapons please.

Although the weather is changing, preschool children play outside everyday. Please be sure to send appropriate clothing for your child to go outside. Label each item of clothing you child will be wearing. There should be an extra set of clean (shirt, pants, underwear and socks) clothing inside your child's cubby. Water bottles should be take home on a daily basis. Flu season is almost here and if your child is sick, please do not send them to school. See a doctor and ask for a clearance. We do not want any spread of illnesses in the school. We appreciate your continuous support and generosity in all our activities.

Teachers: Ms. Jonah May

