

# Montessori School of Encinitas

## Newsletter for October 2017

### 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 6 (Thursday)** – Last day for Fund Raiser

**October 9 (Monday)** — Columbus Day

**October 24 (Tuesday)** — Pumpkin Patch Trip

**October 31 (Tuesday) at 10am** – Halloween Costume Parade around the shopping complex. (NO masks, NO weapons) Parents are very much welcome to join our parade. Volunteers are needed to push our baby strollers.



Don't forget your costume! BOOOOOOO!



Ms. Saro Mahesan

### Infant Classes:

We like to welcome Samuel Wirick and Haru ten Hallers to our class. Thank you parents, for attending "Back to school" night, for participating in our fundraising activity and for the generous donations given to our class. 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 (Tuesday) from 10AM-11AM 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 push our baby strollers. This month the babies will learn about fall leaves, different textures by using tactile stimulation and perform art and crafts, and learn Halloween songs. Some of our babies have started to stand up on their own and some have started walking. 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, Ms. Liz, Ms. Marcella  
and Ms. Rose

### 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 activities. Children are enjoying working on Montessori materials to enhance their skills and making good progress in learning simple phonetic letters and numbers. Practice at home will help in further learning. We will be celebrating Halloween and the season of autumn this month. Children are looking forward to the Halloween costume parade. We will also have the Pumpkin patch trip and parent volunteers will be needed. Children are required to wear their MSE yellow shirts. Permission slips and other details will be posted soon. Kindly bring 6-10 photos of your child with his/her family and friends for our Student 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.

Teacher: Ms. Jyoti

## Toddler Class:

Hello everyone! 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 Jayda Mcfarlane to the Toddler room. We are excited to see your sweet smile everyday. Our next theme is community helpers. Our toddlers will learn about the people in our neighborhoods and how they serve us. Mark your calendars for our annual costume parade on the 31st. Parent volunteers are needed to push the strollers. Thank you.

Teachers: Ms. Mandy and Merlinda

## Preschool Prep Class:

Autumn will be the highlight in our classroom during the month of October. Let's welcome the twins Liam and Bryn Hagerty to our class. October is a very busy month for us! We will talk about the fall season. Thank you for your support during our back to school period. Children are responding to routines, rules and procedures. **Culture:** This month we will be focusing on "OUR WORLD". We will learn about the continents of the world. **Language:** We will continue to learn simple phonetic sounds of letters every day. **Math:** Counting is one of our favorite activity and we will continue practice to recognize their symbols using our Montessori materials. **Art:** We will discover the colors of Autumn through themes such as leaves and pumpkins. **Science:** Spider will be a focus as we approach Halloween. We cannot wait to see our children in 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 feels 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:

It is not easy to be 2-3 years old. Your children are learning to separate from you and rely on the teachers to keep them safe. They are meeting new friends, practicing their manners, and learning to play nicely. There are a lot of new rules, routines and expectations. Many 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 2017 fund raising program, your generosity will make an immediate difference in our classroom. The funds raised will go toward our class activities. We are looking forward to a wonderful school year with your children. Thanks!

Teachers: Ms. Naing and Ms. Vanessa

## Preschool/Kindergarten Class:

Harvest and Halloween season is around the corner. It is the time of pumpkins, ghosts, goblins, witches and bats. More exciting activities are scheduled for this month such as our upcoming educational trip to Pumpkin Patch and Halloween Parade. We will discuss the fall season and observing all the changes this time of year.

We would like to remind our parents about our fund raiser and the deadline is October 6. The proceeds will be used for the purchase of some materials for classroom activities.

During this time of the school year, the children are focused 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. 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. 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 Monet and Mozart, respectively. Follow up guidance in teaching at home would be great reinforcement for your child to master his or her lessons.

Rooms 5 & 7 classes will have a Pumpkin Patch Trip on October 24 and parent volunteers will be needed. We will leave the school at 9:15AM and the children are required to wear their MSE yellow shirts. Permission slips will be handed out soon and list of the things needed for the trip will be posted in our classroom door. 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. Water bottles and cups should be take home on a daily basis.

Teachers: Ms. Jonah May and Ms. Silvia

