

Montessori School of Encinitas

NEWSLETTER FOR MARCH 2018

From the Office of the Director:

Spring is almost here but the weather has kept us in for most times. I would like to remind parents to have your child wear appropriate clothing and footwear for this cold weather.

I would like to remind everyone that tuition fee is due every **Monday** of that week. A full legal signature is required on your child's attendance sheet. Kindly follow the scheduled drop off time for you child and everyone is required to abide to the school's late pick-up policy.

What's happening:

March 11—Daylight Saving Time
March 12—Teachers-In-Service Day
March 16—St. Patrick's Day Parade (10am)
March 28—Easter Egg Hunt
March 30 & April 2—Spring Break



On March 16, we will have our annual St. Patrick's Day Parade around the shopping complex at 10AM. Everyone is invited to join and don't forget to wear something green.

May the luck of the Irish be with you this month and beyond!

View what your child has been doing at school by visiting our school's face book page. Don't forget to hit : **LIKE**

<http://www.facebook.com/the.mse.school>

Ms. Saro Mahesan



Infant Class:

We welcome Juniper and Dexter, who are joining us in our infant class. On March 16, we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day and we will have our annual parade around the shopping complex at 10 am. We are inviting our dear parents to join us and bring strollers for their babies. Be reminded to wear something green. We will also need parent volunteers to push our little ones. This month we are introducing our babies to the color green through painting shamrocks, rainbows and leprechauns. We are entering into a new, bright season, spring. Our theme for this month is Easter. This will be a very interesting and exciting topic. We will have our Easter egg hunting on March 28. Please remember to sign in / sign out your child's attendance sheet and we also request you to label all your child's belongings.



Teachers: *Ms. Usha, Ms. Jenny, Ms. Liz, Ms. Lily and Ms. Rose*

Preschool Class:

Children had a fun Valentine's Day party. This month we will be celebrating Saint Patrick's Day and welcoming spring. We will learn and talk about St. Patrick and that shamrock symbolizes faith, hope and charity.

For art, we will focus on the work of Pierre Auguste Renoir and the music compositions of George Frideric Handel. We will talk about respect as value and Maria Montessori for our role model this month.

Children continue to practice writing their letters and numbers and identifying phonetic sounds. They are also making excellent progress with practical life and sensorial Montessori materials.

We will be having the St. Patrick's Day parade on March 16th. You may dress up in green and join us for the celebration.

Teacher: *Ms. Jyoti*



Toddler Class:

Welcome to the month of March. Let us welcome our new friend Emilio. We are excited to further assist you in your growth and development. Our toddlers were busy with their artwork last month. They had fun decorating their Valentine's Day cards as well as their Chinese New Year arts and crafts. Now, we are making our St. Patrick's Day hats for our annual parade. Save the date. We will have our annual parade around the complex and don't forget to wear green. We will need strollers and parent volunteers for this event, let the teachers know if you can make it. The toddlers will have their Easter egg hunt on March 28. Thank you for all your support in our class activities.

Teachers: *Ms. Mandy and Ms. Merlinda*

Preschool Prep Class:

With the days getting longer and springtime just around the corner we leap into March with a renewed sense of excitement! We had such a terrific month of February. Thank you all for your lovely Valentine's cards, lovely flowers and delicious sweets. Looking further out into the month of March, it surely goes without saying that is **St. Patrick's Day!** We will talk about Ireland, Irish people, their traditions and food. St. Patrick's Day has come to be associated with everything Irish: anything green and gold, leprechauns, shamrocks and luck. We will Parade around the shopping complex. Please send your child to school in a green shirt on that day and do not forget to join with your child for parade wearing GREEN of course!

Math: This month many of our math activities will be focused on shapes as well as practicing our counting skills using our Montessori materials.

Arts: The children are going to create St. Patrick's Day crafts. They will get experience the purpose, symbols, colors and activities related to the St. Patrick's Day. Our artist of the month is a famous Dutch painter Vincent van Gogh.

Language: Reading is a big part of our class this helps the children relate themes and information in books to personal experiences. Our reading focus will be on Jack and the Leprechaun by Ivan Robertson, Katy Bratun and Hooray for St. Patrick's Day! by Joan Holub, Paul Meisel.

Please be sure to check your children's cubbies for extra clothes and leave all your child's belonging with their name on it.

Teachers: *Ms. Naing and Ms. Vanessa*

Preschool and Kindergarten Class:



Thank you for all the love that was shown for the month of February. Hearts, cards, flowers, sweet treats and love notes made this Valentine's Day special.

We will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day with our annual parade on March 16 and everyone is invited to join us. Be sure to wear green otherwise you will get pinched!

Most children are busy preparing themselves for the next grade level which is Kindergarten.

So if you have any other concern regarding "areas that need improvement" please feel free to discuss it with us. Each day the children are busy studying, learning their letters, numbers and other things that help in their development. Some children are already reading words with blends, some are working on the three-letter words and some are learning the simple phonetic sounds of the letter. In math, counting quantity and association of those quantities with its symbols is what your child needs to master. They enjoy counting. Most children have already mastered their numbers 1 through 10. Practice at home is strongly encourage and feel free to ask us if you would like work sheets.

For the artist of the month, we will talk about the life and masterpieces of Andy Warhol. In music, we will listen to the compositions of Antonio Vivaldi. We work toward the whole development of ourselves and for this month's value, we will talk about individuality and how each person can contribute to improve our community. For our role model, we will talk about St. Patrick and the values he taught the people.

A snack calendar is posted outside the classroom and don't forget to check on your child's folder. It has been very cold outside so please keep a sweater/jacket inside your child's cubby. Be reminded that your child's water bottle should be taken home on a daily basis to be washed and filled.

Teachers: *Ms. Jonah and Ms. Silvia*

