

Montessori School of Encinitas

Newsletter for October 2020

From the Office of the Director:

The magical month of October is here. We are looking forward to many spooky activities during this month. We are planning a different Halloween Parade this year due to the current situation. We are requesting our parents to make this year's parade a successful one as the previous years had been. We want our little trick or treaters to have a similar experience.

We would like YOU, our parents to decorate your vehicle's trunk and have some goodies to hand out to our little trick or treaters as we parade around your cars. We are requesting you to dress up as well to make it an authentic Halloween Parade. We are respectfully requesting you all to cooperate so that our children do not miss out on this special treat.

We had a great response to our back to school night. I like to thank all the parents who participated. Let's all work together and guide our precious children along their journey in discovering new and exciting interest along the way.

Dates & Events to remember.

October 12 (Monday) — Columbus Day

October 30 (Friday) at 10am – Halloween Costume and "Trunk or Treat" (NO masks, NO weapons)

Ms. Saro Mahesan



Infant and Toddler Class:

Thank you parents for attending the virtual "Back to school" night. It was an interesting way of how we were able to have the meeting at this time and if there are any questions or concerns feel free to approach or call Ms. Saro.

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.

For this Halloween parade, since we will not be going around the shopping complex but rather have a "Trunk or Treat" by the parking lot closest to the school building. Parents are invited to join us, decorate their vehicle's trunk and fill it up with treats. Let us know if you are able to make it for the event and we still need parent volunteers to push their baby's strollers.

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



Preschool Prep Class:

Autumn is finally here along with all of the fun that the month of October brings. Let's welcome Elijah and Archer to our class. We would like to thank all of you who attended our Back to School Night. It was great to have an opportunity to show you all our classrooms and give you a better sense of what your little one is doing during the day. The children are responding quickly to routines, rules and procedures.

Language: We will continue to learn simple phonetic sounds of letters and we start with the vowels.

Math: Counting is our children's favorite thing to do and we will continue to practice to recognize their symbols using our Montessori materials.

Cultural: This month we will be going to focus on "Our World". We will learn about the continents of the world.

Art: Our artist of the month is a French painter **Claude Monet**. In the classrooms this month, we will focus on the aspects of the fall season such as the changing leaves, and pumpkins. We will also address the changes in weather as well as the differences in the clothing we wear. The children will also be creating some very fun and "scary" art projects! The children continue to enjoy creating unique artwork by drawing, painting, cutting, gluing, etc.

Events: Halloween preparations will be in the works too! We also look forward to seeing many of you at our Halloween Parade (Trunk or Treat) near the parking lot on October 30. Please let us know if you are able to participate in the event. Don't forget to dress up with your costumes, decorate your trunks and fill it with treats

Toilet 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.

Reminders: Please bring in your FAMILY PICTURE if you haven't already done so! We would like to make sure that every child feels included in his/her class family board. Weather Please make sure your child is properly dressed and his/her coat is labeled with his/her name.

Have a great October! Thanks!

Teachers: Ms. Naing and Ms. Vanessa



Preschool/Kindergarten Class:

Oh Halloween is here! Another celebration that everyone looks forward to. We get to dress up with the fanciest costume we like and also some do the spookiest. We are doing something different this year because of the pandemic but still celebrating this exciting event as we do every year. Everyone is encouraged to wear their costumes but please NO costume mask or weapons please. We are inviting parents to participate by decorating their trunks and fill it with treats for the children. We can't wait to celebrate with you all.

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.

It is starting to get cold outside and be sure to send appropriate clothing for your child to wear. The school will not providing extra clothes or sheet to the children during the pandemic season. Kindly label your child's belongings with a permanent marker. Water bottles should be cleaned and filled with water daily before coming to school. Please check on your child's snack schedule for the month of November.

Teachers: Ms. Jonah May and Ms. Ashlei

