

# Montessori School of Encinitas

## NEWSLETTER FOR DECEMBER 2020

### *From the Office of the Director:*

The Thanksgiving Day was celebrated with a fantastic presentation and feast. We are thankful for our precious children and parents. We appreciate your co operation during these trying times in keeping all of us safe by following the guide lines and having the tests done when needed.

We had a successful fund raiser for our school. Thank you for all your support. It will help to provide extra supplies for our projects.

December will be a short month. Please note that there is **SCHOOL UNTIL 12 NOON ONLY on December 24, SCHOOL IS CLOSED from December 25 – January 3.** School will resume on Monday, **January 4.**

As we end the year, we will celebrate it with a Winter Holiday Program. Your children and their teachers will be very busy practicing with their songs and dances. We are inviting everyone to come and join us via **Zoom**. 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>

May the warmth and peace of the holiday season be yours  
today and always.

### *Dates & Events to remember:*

*Presentation dates will be notified later.*

**December 24** – Christmas Eve and School closes at 12NOON

**December 25 to January 3** – Winter Break

*Ms. Saro Mahesan*



### *Infant and Toddler Class:*

The children enjoyed our thanksgiving celebration and the dance they have prepared for you. You can watch on our Facebook page —<https://facebook.com/the.mse.school/>

This month our theme is winter holidays. Your children are going to listen and sing holiday songs and have fun decorating our class' Christmas tree. We will be learning about the different winter holidays celebrated around the world. We will also be exploring snow, ice and winter animals. In addition, children will prepare their Christmas presents. They will work on crafts about Santa Claus, snow man and many more. Our Winter Holiday celebration will be coming up soon and watch out for announcements. The infants and toddlers will have their presentation inside Rooms 1&2. We will be requesting the parents to bring their children's holiday outfits to prepare for the program. **Happy holidays!**



Teachers: *Ms. Jenny, Ms. Lily and Ms. Natalia*



## Preschool Prep Class:

What a wonderful time of year this is, and how special it is for us to share the joy and anticipation of this season with your children! Our goal for the children is to feel school as a comfortable and secure place seems to be a reality. I'm happy to say that I have seen much growth in every child's counting skills in activities as well as working with our Montessori materials. Our children will keep practicing numbers, letters, and shapes by tracing it.

Artist of the month is Jackson Pollock.

In our classroom you will see the children doing different activities such as making Christmas crafts & cards. The children will experience planning and making gifts for others and feel the joy of giving, as well as receiving. They will also experience the holidays of Hanukkah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa. Celebration holiday will be discussed using cultural themes rather than religious, to make the children aware of the different celebrated holidays. We will be busy with rehearsals for our Christmas Program like singing and dancing and much more fun. This year we will have to holiday presentation using Zoom .

Lastly, allow me to express my heartfelt thanks to our parents who brought food for our thanksgiving party. Your full support, cooperation and sincere understanding were deeply appreciated.

***We wish all of you a Joyous Holiday Season & a Healthy, Happy New Year!***

Teachers: *Ms. Naing and Ms. Vanessa*

## Kwanzaa

December 26 - 31

Dr. Maulana Ron Karenga started Kwanzaa in 1966 to encourage African Americans to celebrate their heritage so he. Lighting the kinara candles standing for the seven principles of Kwanzaa is one tradition.



## Preschool/Kindergarten Class:

November was a very exciting and full of pumpkin pies and yummy smelling turkeys. The year is going smoothly and the children feel happy and comfortable in our room. November was busy with preparation for Thanksgiving. We worked hard cooking for our feast. It is hard to believe it is already December!

For the month of December we are talking about and celebrating Kwanzaa, Hanukah and Christmas. For young children, December is probably the most exciting month of the year. It can be the happiest time at school and at home, including the children in our preparations, putting up the Christmas tree, decorating and celebrating the holidays.

In December we continue working with the Montessori materials. Practice to improve their writing skills. We will be making as much crafts as we can for the holidays. We are talking about cold winter season.

Our class is busy preparing for our performance for this coming Now that the days are getting cooler, remember to dress your child appropriately. Please dress your child in easy to put on and comfortable clothes. We do go outside every day unless it is raining or very cold. Please make sure your child has a change of clothes (weather appropriate) in his/her cubby in a zip lock bag with his/her name on it.

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***Have a wonderful and safe Winter Break and Happy New Year!!!***

Teachers: *Ms. Jonah & Ms. Ashlei*

