



THE DISCOVERY MONTESSORI

October 01, 2025

Hello Parents,

October is a month of changing landscape and nature showing the beauty of that colorful landscape. It gives us a great opportunity to create lessons that reflect that change and be grateful of the bounty that comes with that transformation. As the weather is changing and we experience different temperatures in a day please dress your child in layers. Please label your child's belonging as the jackets and other accessories including water bottles can easily be misplaced or inadvertently given to another child

Fall Theme: The classrooms will be busy with fall theme activities to cultivate the love for Fall harvest and Thanks giving. The children will engage in Apple tasting and Pumpkin painting activities. They will have presentations around apples and pumpkins. Thanks giving lessons will help the children with presentations and learning about gratitude. Monday October 13, 2025 will be the Thanksgiving holiday so that the families can spend time together and share their love and kindness with each other. Children are welcome to bring their own pumpkins to paint on **Monday October 27, 2025.**

Show and Share. Children will engage in public speaking skills by showing their favorite objects to their friends in each class. This is scheduled for every Monday. Please select with your child an object of interest that can spark a conversation among children. The object can be a craft made at home, a travel ticket or artifacts of travels, a photo of a weekend trip, books on nature and animals, child hood photos of family members. This exercise will help the children with meaningful engagement and also create more learning opportunities.

Parent's Info Session: Our parent information session was a great success and we are very happy about the turnout of parents. We thank all the parents who came and contributed to our discussions about the Montessori curriculum. The collaborative efforts support children's learning and growing needs.

The School Photo Day is on October 01 for Casa 4 and 5 (the back building) and October 02, is for Casa 1 and 2 (the main building). Please dress up your child for photo day accordingly.

PD Day October 24, 2025. As directed by the Region of Peel the school **will be closed on October 24, 2025** for staff training and development. We will reimburse the school fee to parents for this one day closure.

Costume party on October 31, 2025. October 31 is a dress up day and the children can come in their costumes or in any other traditional outfits of their choice. We will have a costume party parade. Please do not send any kind of treats or cards with your child. Scary masks, toy weapons and swords are not allowed.

Sick child policy: The health and safety of all children and staff is our top priority. To prevent the spread of illness and ensure a healthy environment we ask all the families to carefully review and follow our sick child policy.

Please keep your child home with any symptoms of ill health including if the child is complaining of being tired. The child can return to school after 24 hours if the child is free from any symptoms of fever (without any medication). For diarrhea and vomiting the child has to be symptom free for 48 hours. We may require a doctor's note before returning after certain illnesses. The child with a runny nose or cough will not be allowed in school. If your child has shown symptoms in school, you will be contacted immediately to pick your child up. The child will be kept comfortable and supervised and away from other children until pick up.

Please notify the school if your child is diagnosed with a contagious illness. (like hand foot and Mouth etc). This helps us take precautions and inform other parents without identifying your child.



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We appreciate your cooperation in helping us maintain a safe healthy environment for all the children and staff. If you have any question or concerns regarding our sick child policy, please reach out to your child's class teacher.

Monthly Calendars. The monthly calendars are posted on our website each month. Please review the calendar each month through parents 'portal. The school seasonal lunch/ snack menu is also available on the same portal.

Afterschool program. Children are enjoying their Soccer Shots practice with their coaches. Any class that will be missed because of the weather will be rescheduled later in the month. The Soccer Shots executive, Todd Williams will contact the families whose children will require the make-up class.

Drop off and pick up parking schedule. The school year has started and we have observed that our parking lot becomes a challenge to navigate. It will become more challenging during the winter times. Please follow the Drop off schedule below so that we all have a safe parking experience for the school community.

- Children **Building A (Casa 1 and 2)** will use the time slot of **8:30 am to 8:45 am.**
- Children **Building B (Casa 4 and 5)** will use the time slot **8:45 am to 9:00 am.**

We appreciate your cooperation and we have observed that you patiently wait and use the available parking space safely. Please always **SLOW DOWN** as you enter the school drive way and still use all the safety precautions for a safe drop off and pick up.

The front parking lot and the grass area is not a safe play area for children. We have seen that some parents allow their children to play in the front of the school grass area. Please make sure you do not allow your child to play or run in the front area of school. It is not safe and not allowed.

Enjoy the beautiful weather and the lovely colorful landscape of Fall.

Warm Regards,

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