



# THE DISCOVERY MONTESSORI INC.

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May 29, 2021

Dear parents,

We are at the very last month of our 2020-2021 school year and what a year it has been! Nothing we have ever imagined in our lifetime; the profound reflection from the past year is that we have emerged as a much stronger and tighter community. It is a testament to my incredible staff and wonderful school community. Our collective strength and determination as a community has shown that if we band together and follow the guidelines outlined for public health and safety we can successfully prevent the spread of the virus.

Our journey started in 2020 after the first shut down in March. As our school re-opened in July of 2020, the children and the staff experienced the most incredible year ever due to the unprecedented conditions we were all experiencing. The school welcomes every new school year with the promise that the new school year will be better than the last one as we learn along the way to make it better and better. This school year for me was the best ever with what the children and the educators could achieve in the midst of the global pandemic. We have created some wonderful memories along the way and cherished each and every second of it. We will always look at this year to draw strength and inspiration to become a stronger and much more resilient school community.

The staff of Discovery Montessori has planned a celebration to honor the end of this school year and to highlight the accomplishments of our children, especially our new graduates. We are planning to host a Zoom graduation ceremony on Wednesday, June 16th at 10:00 am. which will broadcast the ceremony taking place at the school. It will be an opportunity for the families whose children are graduating to be a part of this wonderful event. The Zoom link will be sent to everyone to join us. We encourage all those who can attend to join us virtually; the more the merrier.

We will also display the creative artwork of our children on the windows of the classrooms from June 7th onwards. Please take a moment to stop by with your child and discuss the artworks. These are the joyous moments in your child's development that we encourage all to take part in.

The parent/teacher meeting date and time has been sent to you. Please call the school number at your allocated time. If you wish to reschedule the meeting, please email me and I will try my best to accommodate your request.

As the weather is changing to warmer temperatures there is a need for sun protection. Please make sure you apply the sunscreen to your child prior to their arrival.

Please note that Peel Public Health (PPH) has made changes to the COVID-19 Active Screening Forms for children. Changes include a new screening question (No 6) for children. You will receive this updated online form via your daily morning email from 01 June 2021. A Parent/guardian screening letter from PPH providing more details is attached.

We will continue with our enhanced health and safety guidelines as outlined by the Peel Public Health as we are still in the pandemic. Please follow those guidelines at all times to help our community get out of it safely. Thank you for your continuous support to make our school a safe place for the children.

My humble request to all the families and the educators is to be more vigilant during these summer months with the public health protocols and to be mindful that one small slip can affect the whole school community. I know we are all exhausted but the truth is that we will only emerge out of this successfully and completely if we follow the pandemic protocols and stay safe and enjoy the summer within our own family bubbles.

And finally, as we close out the school year, hip hip hooray to our school community, educators and new graduates for all our successes this past year!

Enjoy the month of June!

Warm Regards,

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