## MAY 2024

#### **NEWSLETTER**

reventing conflicts is the work of politics; establishing peace is the work of education.

—Maria Montessori, Education and Peace

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

May 6-10: Teacher Appreciation Week

May 10: Muffins with Mom

May 16: Spring Performance

May 17: 10th Anniversary celebration (at DMA Plano)

May 21: Preschool Graduation

May 24: Early release at 12 noon

May 27: School closed for Memorial Day

May 28: First day of Summer semester

## Technology in Montessori

In Montessori education, the role of technology is approached thoughtfully. Parents can guide their children by ensuring age-appropriate screen time, selecting educational apps that align with Montessori principles, and maintaining a balance in digital exposure. Striking this equilibrium allows children to benefit from technology as a supplementary learning tool while preserving the hands-on, experiential focus of Montessori education.

# May Happenings

# Spring Semester Performance

Our Spring semester performance will be on 5/16, from 4:30—5:30pm.

Parents and families are welcome to attend!

### **Muffins with Mom**

Moms, Grandma, Aunties: Stop in and enjoy breakfast pastries and juice on May 10 at drop-off, from 7:30am— 9:00am.

### **Preschool Graduation**

We will have preschool graduation on 5/21, at 10:30am. Families are invited to this milestone event! If you wish, you can bring a snack to share. (No nuts, please.)



May 2024 marks the 10th anniversary of our school! We invite you to celebrate at our Plano school! We will have performances from <a href="Sign up online">Sign up online</a> to bring a side dish: <a href="https://forms.gle/phMMfxdF9DxRnCpf8">https://forms.gle/phMMfxdF9DxRnCpf8</a>





## Happy Birthday!

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#### MS KRITIKA (POPPY CLASS)

Birthday: Oct 2

Favorite Place to Shop: Nordstrom
Favorite Restaurant: Italian Restaurant

Favorite Hot Drink: Starbucks
Favorite Cold Drink: Boba Drinks
Favorite SWEET snack: Dark Chocolate

Favorite SALTY snack: Nuts Favorite Scent: Floral Favorite Flower: Hyacinth Aversions or Allergies? No

Shirt Size? Small

Favorite Sports Team? Dallas Cowboys

#### MS. FARIA (ASSISTANT IN ALL CLASSES)

Birthday: Sept 4

Favorite Place to Shop: Dillard's, Macy's

Favorite Restaurant: Olive Garden Favorite Hot Drink: None

Favorite Cold Drink: None

Favorite Scent: Mint or bath & body

works

Favorite Flower: Rose, Tulip

Shirt Size? M

#### MS. JOANNA (POPPY CLASS)

Birthday: Aug 24

Favorite Place to Shop: Amazon, Target Favorite Restaurant: Sushi Restaurant

Favorite Hot Drink: Coffee Favorite Cold Drink: Coffee Favorite SWEET snack: 85C cakes

Favorite SALTY snack: honey roasted nut

Favorite Scent: none Favorite Flower: lily

Aversions or Allergies? None Vegetarian/Vegan? none

Shirt Size? M

Favorite Sports Team? Texas Rangers

#### MS. EDINA (INFANT CLASS)

Birthday: Feb 15

Favorite place to shop JCPENNEY Favorite Restaurants: Olive Garden

Favorite hot drink: coffee Favorite Cold drink: Fruit

Favorite SALTY snack: CHEX MIX

Favorite Scent: Japanese Cherry Blossom

Favorite Flower: Rose

#### MS FATMA (VERBENA CLASS)

Birthday: Jul 1

Favorite Place to Shop:

Nordstrom Rack, HomeGoods, TJ Maxx Favorite Restaurant: Cheesecake Factory

Favorite Hot Drink: Starbucks Coffee

Favorite SALTY snack: Chips Favorite Scent: Sweet Scent Favorite Flower: Rose, Orchid Aversions or Allergies? None

Shirt Size? M/L

Favorite Sports Team? Any sport T-shirt

#### MS. SAMAR (SUNFLOWER CLASS)

Birthday: Mar 20

Favorite Place to Shop: Macy

Favorite Restaurant: Mediterranean Favorite Hot Drink: Tea with milk Favorite Cold Drink: lime water Favorite Scent: CK Sheer Beauty

Favorite Flower: jasmine Aversions or Allergies? No Vegetarian/Vegan? Vegetarian

Shirt Size? XL

#### MS. VIKI (AFTER SCHOOL)

Favorite Place to Shop: Amazon Favorite Hot Drink: black tea Favorite SALTY snack: nuts Favorite Scent: green tea Favorite Flower: rose Aversions or Allergies? No Vegetarian/Vegan? No

Shirt Size? M

Favorite Sports Team? Dallas Stars

#### MS. MAGGIE (OFFICE)

Birthday: Apr 22

Favorite Place to Shop: Amazon
Favorite Restaurant: Buco di Beppo

Favorite Hot Drink: tea

Favorite Cold Drink: Dr Pepper

Favorite SWEET snack: Reese's peanut butter

cups

Favorite SALTY snack: Dot's Pretzels

Favorite Scent: Jasmine or Warm Vanilla Sugar

Favorite Flower: Carnation
Aversions or Allergies? No spicy

Vegetarian/Vegan? No Shirt Size? Medium

Favorite Sports Team? none

#### MR. TERRY (OFFICE)

Favorite Place to Shop: Wal Mart
Favorite Restaurant: In-N-Out
Favorite Hot Drink: coffee
Favorite Cold Drink: Diet Coke
Favorite SWEET snack: Sour Skittles
Favorite SALTY snack: Jalapeno Chips

Favorite Scent: citrus
Favorite Flower: any
Aversions or Allergies? No
Vegetarian/Vegan? No

Shirt Size? M

Favorite Sports Team? Dallas Mavs



## 2024 North Texas TI Cup Chinese Speech Contest

Congratulations to our students who have placed in the annual TI Cup Chinese speech contest held on April 27th at UTD.

<u>Pre-K Group</u>: Tommy Joe (1st place), Asher He (2nd place) <u>Grade 1 Group</u>: Scarlett Tanglaurence (1st place), Laurel Chen (2ne place)

Grade 7: Andrew Huang (2nd place)

## **ANNUAL SURVEY**

We are committed to excellence and quality. Your feedback, thoughts, and ideas are extremely important to us. This is an anonymous survey. Your answers will help us understand how we are doing and where we can be doing better. Thank you for helping us continue to improve. Survey link:

https://forms.gle/Lp9NW6m74uk9tBCr6



## 2024-25 CALENDAR

Next year's school calendar has been published online.

Please make note of important dates and school closure dates.

**ONLINE CALENDAR LINK** 

## LEAD TESTING

TCEQ is offering a free statewide program to help eligible participants conduct voluntary sampling and analysis for lead in drinking water at their schools and child care facilities.

We are looking forward to participating in this program. Click <u>here</u> for more information.