

January 8, 2009



Thursday News

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AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES – THERE IS STILL ROOM IN **GUITAR CLASS** AND **SPANISH CLUB** FOR ELEMENTARY – IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SIGN UP YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN PLEASE CALL JOELLEN IN THE OFFICE. **There is still space in the following two classes.**

GUITAR – FRIDAYS, beginning January 23, 3:15pm – 3:45pm cost is \$72.00 – please make checks payable to Kelly Geoghegan.

SPANISH CLUB – WEDNESDAYS, beginning January 14, 3:00pm – 4:00pm cost is \$75.00 – please make checks payable to Inma Santa-Pau.

January 15, Thursday – 6:30 - Parent Education Night – Why Elementary? Please come and listen to Betty Snider (Room VII head teacher and upper elementary coordinator) discuss the many reasons why continuing your child's Montessori education into the elementary years is so important. – **Child care available, see sign up sheet at the bottom of the page - RETURN DATE – Jan. 13th . See flyer.**

January 19, Monday – Martin Luther King - No School – All Levels

January 22, Thursday – Interview Day for incoming elementary students

January 28, Wednesday - 7:00pm - Parent Education Night - Montessori Math! - Montessori Math lessons with Fraction Materials. More details later.

February 5, Thursday – 7:00pm - Parent Education Night

February 12, Thursday – Breakfast Café

February 13, Friday - Conferences for 3rd Year students at all levels. – **No School** – All Levels – Please call Joellen to schedule your conference after the New Year.

February 16, Monday – President's Day Observed – **No School** – All Levels

February 20, Friday – **Contracts and Deposits Due.**

February 27, Friday – **No School** - All Levels - Professional Development Day

Parent Education Night
Why Elementary?
Thursday, January, 15, 2009
5:45 pizza
6:30 lecture and class tours

Yes, I/We will be attending Parent Education Night _____

Yes, I/We will be attending and will eat pizza _____

Yes, I/We will be attending Parent Education Night, but will not need childcare _____

No, I/ We will not be able to attend this session _____

Name: _____

Child's Name: _____ Child's Classroom _____

SUMMER CAMPS at Providence Montessori 2009

Planning for this year's summer camps is already underway. Summer camp is designed to provide families with continuity and quality child care for the summer months. There are familiar routines and teachers, with a relaxed atmosphere and opportunities for movement, creative expression, and outdoor activities. Staff will be here from 8am to 5pm, with flexible drop-off and pick-up times. Children will bring their own lunches, with snacks provided by school, and the last day of the week will be pizza day as usual. Primary camp will begin June 1 and run through August 7, and take place in the primary classrooms and Haley Hall. Lower elementary camp will take place from June 1 through July 31, and be held in the Founders' Arts and Activities Building.

To make the experience the best it can be we would like to hear from parents who have enrolled their children in the past. To gauge interest for the coming summer, we welcome input from both new and returning families.

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If your child has participated in summer camp, please take a few minutes to respond to the following questions:

Did your child's experience in summer camp meet your expectations? _____

What did you like about the program? _____

Any comments about the program? _____

For returning families and new families:

Are you planning to enroll your child in summer camp in 2009? _____ If so, approximately how many weeks would you be interested in? _____

Your name _____ Child(ren)'s name _____

Please return your questions and/or comments to **Emily Balsam** at school.

Join us for a special parent education series...

Elementary classes will be open to tour.

'Why Montessori Elementary?'

Thursday, January 15th, 2009

Pizza at 5:45

Session begins at 6:30

Gifted speaker and veteran Montessori Elementary teacher, Betty Snider leads a discussion for parents pondering the question 'Why should I consider Montessori Elementary for my child?' At Providence, hands-on learning does not stop at the primary level. Children in the elementary program make discoveries, research the answers to their questions, work in pairs and teams to solve problems, and come to abstract ideas through the use of the Montessori materials.

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Montessori Math Adds Up to Success

Wednesday, January 28th, 2009

Pizza at 5:45

Session begins at 6:30

Join us as Betty Snider guides us through the development of the mathematical mind. Children experience the operation first, then through observation, create the rule. It's math you can touch, see, experience, observe, and ultimately "own". Children learn the concept of squaring and cubing through the chains, multi-digit multiplication on the checkerboard, and pi with the circle insets. Chains? Checkerboards? Insets? Come learn what Montessori mathematics is all about!

We invite all current and prospective parents to join us for these fun and informative talks, pizza will be served at 5:45 p.m. Childcare is provided for enrolled Providence students, please make reservations for childcare and pizza in advance by calling 255-7330. This event is **FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**