

Monday Montessori Moments



Monday April 11, 2016

APRIL

April 12th

Spring Pictures

April 13th

MMA Talent Show
6:00-7:30

April 14th

6th Grade Fieldtrip
Meeting @ 6:30

April 19th

Box Tops Store

April 20th

~Graduation Pictures
for Kinder, 6th and 9th
grades
~Kindergarten
Orientation Night,
6:30 PM

April 22nd

Early out AM Kinder
out @ 10:00,
PM Kinder-9th out @
1:00

April 25th-29th

6th Grade Field Trip to
the Redwoods



May 3rd

SPED Parent meeting
@ 6:30

A Message from the Curriculum Specialist:

Literacy Week was a HUGE success! Did you know we have over 5,000 books in our library?! Congratulations to Sophia Wilson in Ms. Amity's class for the closest guess. Ms. Paula and Ms. Krista's classes won the votes for "most creative door" and won \$25 gift certificates from Hastings. These doors and our word wall can still be viewed in the front entrance where students posted definitions to words like "voracious" and "perplexed". Come in and see it all before it's too late! The book swap was a great fun and hopefully your children came home with some new reading material!

Over 200 individuals attended Thursday night's festivities where we met 6 local authors, wrote poetry and went on scavenger hunts. You can view a great video from the night [HERE](#). Our Usborne book fair raised over \$1000 for new books for the school and we'll be extending the fair as a Facebook event if you'd still like to order. (More information will be posted on Facebook when it becomes available.)

Many, many thanks to our community members! You made this inaugural week very special! Thank you to [Hastings Books and Movies](#) for donating \$50. Thank you to Lane Stephenson and Staker Parson for donating and delivering the rocks for our *Only One You* project. (We can't wait to get the project finished and added to our outdoor classroom!) Thanks to Megaplex Theaters for donating popcorn. Thanks to Teara Galbraith for photographing the event and putting together the video. Thank you to the teachers for spending their Thursday evening leading activities and to the families who donated books and supplies.

I've got a great list of people interested in heading up this event for next year. If you would like to be added to it, please let me know!

-Kacee

Spring Pictures Are Here!

Don't forget Spring Pictures will be tomorrow, April 12th, in the gym from 9:00-1:00. Bring your kids in their spiffiest duds! Pictures should be paid for before or at the time of the pictures.

MMA Bazaar!

The MMA Jr. High will be having a fundraising Bazaar on April 30th from 9AM until noon. More info will be coming soon!

What's New at MMA?

Junior High Registration Assemblies

Come hear what MMA junior high has to offer you next year! You'll learn about the classes you *need* to take and the *choices* you have for electives (did someone say choir and weight lifting?!) You'll receive registration materials and be able to ask any questions you may have! Join us in the library on April 15th, 2016. Parents are welcome to attend with their students.

6th graders entering 7th grade
11:00-11:45

7th graders entering 8th grade
1:00-1:45

8th graders entering 9th grade
2:00-2:45

Bring in your Box Tops!

Box tops store will be on Tuesday the 19th so don't forget to bring in all of your cut and unexpired box tops!

Come See Our Talented Students!

On Wednesday, April 13th, MMA will be having a talent show from 6:00-7:30 PM in the Gym. Buy your tickets before and after school tomorrow for \$2.00, or \$3.00 at the door.

2nd Annual Spelling Bee!

This is our second year participating in the Great American SpellCheck!

Here's how it works: your child studies grade-specific word lists and are tested in their classrooms. The three students who spell the most words correctly from each class will then move on to represent their class in the school wide spelling bees!

Your student needs your help in the following ways:

April 11th- April 17th: Encourage your students to practice, practice, practice!



April 18th & April 19th: Spell Check Tests! These tests will be done in the classroom to determine the top three spellers from each room.

Wednesday April 20th: Teachers will send home with each participating student the student's graded tests and an invitation for the finals. The top three students will be chosen from each classroom to participate in the school-wide spelling bee.

Friday April 22nd: School-wide spelling bees will take place in the gymnasium!



- **LE- 9-10am**
- **UE- 11-12pm**
- **Junior High-12-1pm**

*Your students are welcome to attend any of the spelling bee assemblies at their teacher's discretion.

Your support is crucial in the following areas:

- Encourage your student's participation.
- Help your students learn to correctly spell the 50 words and then move on to spell as many as possible!

I hope that you share our excitement about our school's participation in the Great American SpellCheck. Together we can encourage strong spelling skills and build a fantastic community! Please be sure to ask questions if you have them.

Yearbook Sneak Peek Is HERE!

Here is just a bit of the cover to get you excited. The yearbook class has been working so hard and is very excited to let you see their hard work on the first ever PreK to 9th grade Maria Montessori Academy hardcover yearbook.

Yearbook orders are being accepted now through April 20th.

Order yearbooks by following below:

Step 1: Go to www.memorybook.com/parentpay

Step 2: Enter your pay code 78444 and click next

Step 3: Use the drop-down boxes to select your child's House teacher.

Step 4: Choose either a standard yearbook for \$25 or a personalized yearbook (this option will print your child's name and up to 4 icons on the front cover) for \$30.