



MOUNTAINEER MONTESSORI SCHOOL

June 27, 2015

Calendar Review

- 6/27 Children's Art Fair
- 6/27 Art for All Awards Reception
- 7/2 Downtown Library Meet-Up
Every Thursday 1pm and 5pm
- 7/15 Book Club Taylor Books
- 7/17 Live on the Levee Meet-Up
- 7/20 WV Power Baseball Game
- 7/25 KSF Pool Party
- 7/31 Danner Meadows Picnic
- 8/8 French Creek Outing
- 8/12 Parents' Night Out
- 8/17 First Day of School!

We hope you are all enjoying your summer break and are rejuvenating for the coming year!

Summer packets including your first monthly invoice due July 10th, 2015-2016 calendar, forms, class lists, parent handbooks, and directories, will be sent out next week. Please look for them in your mailbox!

Race for Education

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Race for Education so successful! We raised over \$10,000 for educational materials!!! We will be sending 'thank-you' emails to all donors who have sponsored our students and shared email addresses with us. If you would like to know who sponsored your child, please call the school for that information.

FestivALL Events

Glass Classroom

Mountaineer Montessori has been very busy participating in various FestivALL events. Many of you came by our Glass Classroom to see students working in an elementary environment we created at the Town Center Mall on June 19th and 20th. We were able to 'pull back the curtain' on Montessori education. We gave lessons to children and adults alike and answered many questions about Dr. Maria Montessori and her methodology and philosophy. Thank you to our families whose children participated and to those who came by in support of us!

FestivALL Art Parade

We had a wonderful turnout for the Art Parade, where we sported our 'M' shirts, twirled beautiful Nancy-made batons and carried our MMS banner. Children handed out literature to adults about the Montessori philosophy and magnifying glasses to children in the audience.

Art-For-All Juried Student Art Exhibition

Several of our students' art pieces were selected for inclusion in this exhibit. Please check it out at the ticketing lobby of the Clay Center. It's free!

Art-for-All Awards Reception

Join us from 3-5 pm on Saturday, June 27th for a reception that will recognize many of our resident student artists. The reception will be held in the ticketing lobby of the Clay Center.

Children's Art Fair

On Saturday, June 27th, we will be participating in the Children's Art Fair with a make-and-take booth near the downtown library. Nancy Johnston has created a watercolor abstract activity to share with FestivALL attendees.

Montessori Meet-ups

Mountaineer Montessori School Parent Organization (MMSPPO) has put together a summer schedule to allow parents and students to stay connected. Please review the following list and join us for a variety of fun activities!

Downtown Library

Montessori families are invited to meet at the Kanawha County Public Library – downtown location on Thursdays at 1:00 pm and/or 5:00 pm. Come share your love of reading with other MMS families!

Book Club – Taylor Books

Please join us at Taylor Books on Wednesday, July 15th at 6:30 pm to share good books you've read or would like to read this summer. RSVP Jennifer at jcarriger@mountaineermontessori.org

Live on the Levee

We will be dancing and enjoying the music of Coyotes in Boxes and Charleston's own Quiet at Live on the Levee on Friday, July 17th. Come dance with us!!! RSVP Suzanne at ssanders@mountaineermontessori.org

WV Power Baseball Game

MMS families will come together to enjoy watching the Power take on the Lexington Legends on Monday, July 20th at 7:05 pm. Please RSVP Elizabeth Scharman at elizabeth.scharman@gmail.com

Kanawha State Forest Pool Party

Let's go swim and picnic surrounded by beautiful forest on Saturday, July 25th from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm. MMS families are welcome to join in the summer fun splashing around the KSF pool. Please RSVP Danielle Maness at manessdr@gmail.com

Danner Meadows Picnic

Bring a picnic, bring a friend, relax in a park with plenty of room for the children to run and play! We will be meeting at 10 am on July 31st for a picnic and play.

French Creek Outing

We would like to invite all MMS families for a day of hiking, picnicking, and enjoying the beauty and variety of activities available at French Creek State Park. This event is planned for Saturday, August 8th. We plan to leave early in the morning and return that evening. Some of us may even opt to camp overnight. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Elizabeth Scharman at elizabeth.scharman@gmail.com

Parent Night Out

The last parent night out was a big hit, so we plan to offer another one before the school year starts. Make your plans for Wednesday, August 12th and RSVP Elizabeth Scharman at elizabeth.scharman@gmail.com.

Maintenance Request

We have many items on our 'to do' list for this summer such as:

- check gutters outside library
- install sink in new art room
- paint walls
- install ceiling fans on third floor
- take out cubbies and shelves in Jennifer's room to relocate
- replaster by front door
- etc. etc.

If you or anyone you know can help with any of these projects, please call us to schedule a time to come in to talk with us. We will be looking for electricians, plumbers and general maintenance people. If you know quality professionals in these areas, please pass along their names and numbers.

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- Jason Winesburg for packing, transporting and participating in the Glass Classroom.
- Chad Cordell for continuing to keep our gates in good working order.
- Randy and Amy Hill for sponsoring the beautiful billboard sharing information about the Glass Classroom and Montessori education.
- All MMS staff who helped make this year a success.
- All MMS families to whom without them, this school would not exist.

