



The New School, Inc.
A Montessori Center for Children

May Updates

Dear Parents,

We have some important updates and news for you about our busy month of May...

Volunteer Time

As the year winds down, it is important to reconcile and submit your volunteer time to the school as soon as possible. To record your volunteer time, please click [here](#) to access our online form or visit the Volunteer Data Entry page (under Parents Resources) on our website.

May's tuition statement will reflect a charge for any owed volunteer time (\$10.00 per hour). If you have volunteered more than the time stated on your invoice, please let us know. We will continue to offer volunteer opportunities until the end of the school year for those who still wish to contribute.

If you are planning on volunteering during the next few weeks to offset a charge on your bill, please let us know that is your intention **before paying for unused volunteer time**. Please note if you volunteer **after** paying for owed volunteer time, the school cannot issue refunds.

Yearbooks

We owe Kristy Dzedzina a big thanks for working so hard on our **2011/2012 Yearbook**. You should have received an [order form](#) in your folders last week with details on how to purchase this wonderful memento. To help reach our sales goal, we will be extending the deadline to **Thursday, May 24th!**

Also, we encourage you to utilize the yearbook to advertise your business or services. For the same price as the business listing, you can also include a personalized message to your child! Please complete your order form and submit it to the office, or you can also order your yearbooks online by clicking [here](#). (Please note the deadline in the online order form reflects the old deadline!)

All funds raised from the yearbook and the business listings will go toward our school beautification and gardening projects.

Beautification and Spring Color!

Walking around the school, you may have noticed new flower beds and plants scattered here and there. With the help of Scott and Eric, we are giving our outside environment an overhaul and some color! Of course, we would very much welcome your input and assistance with our goals. If you would like to help, here are some suggestions:

- provide feedback or advice on what you would like to see in our outdoor environments
- purchase some plants from our "[green wish list](#)" (purchases - with receipts can help offset any owed volunteer time)
- offer to help digging, weeding, loaning tools, etc.

Please contact us at info@montessoricenter.org to offer your help!

Welcoming Ms. Emily

After much searching and interviewing many applicants, we have finally filled our Administrative Assistant position. We are very happy to welcome Ms. Emily Frazier as the newest member of our administrative team. We are looking forward to working with Emily and enjoying her positive energy and dedication!

Faculty Updates

We are very pleased to welcome back our faculty and staff next year, but will be saying a sad goodbye to Ms. Hollie, who is leaving to pursue a career in nuclear medicine. We have thoroughly enjoyed Ms. Hollie's PE program and wish her the best in her new field. Interviews for her replacement are underway. We will let you know when a hiring decision has been made.

We are excited to announce that Ms. Robyn will be returning next year. Robyn will be taking the Upper Elementary training this summer and will intern in our upper elementary classroom with Mr. Sheldon and Ms. Beth.

We are also happy to welcome Eric Gwinn, who you will see around the school helping us with our beautification and landscaping projects!

Please visit the [Faculty and Staff](#) page on our website for more information on the teaching teams for next year.

May's Calendar of Events

- May 18th: Field Day
- May 21st: Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 22nd: Visits for rising 1st and 4th graders
- May 24th: Deadline to pre-order yearbooks
- May 25th: Rain date for Field Day
- May 28th: Memorial Day
- May 29th: Last day of school

Academic Calendar for the 2012/2013 School Year

Please click here to access our academic calendar for the upcoming school year.

Important note: This calendar does not reflect all of the school's events. Please visit our [Calendar of Events](#) page on the website and refer to your MemberHub calendar for updates on events throughout the year. You will also receive monthly calendar updates in your folders.

We have very much enjoyed having you all as a part of our Montessori Community this year. We look forward to seeing you either in the summer or next fall!