



TNS NEWSLETTER

GROWING MINDS, NURTURING SPIRITS



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Feb 13 to 24

Re-enrollment period

February 14

Valentine's Day
Please check with your child's teacher to find out what your child's class is doing for Valentine's Day.

March 7

Soccer club resumes

March 8

International Night is Thursday, March 8th.

March 8

After-school golf program begins

March 9

Teacher Workday has been moved to Friday, March 9th

Thanks to the PTO and Volunteers!

We thank our PTO and volunteers for providing the school with invaluable assistance this year.



Please show your support to this group and the school by getting involved. Check the MemberHub pages for the date of the next PTO meeting.

Remember, you can also attend these meetings online. Check your email for the sign-up link!

Parent Volunteer Hours

Do you have volunteer hours to record?



If you spend time volunteering at the school, you can enter these hours on our Procure system. Alternatively, you can enter your time on our website at:
<http://bit.ly/ParentVolunteerHours>

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

The New School PTO and students from our Upper Elementary class will be hosting a pancake breakfast fundraiser at Applebee's in Fuquay-Varina. The breakfast will be held between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Saturday, February 11. Tickets are \$7.00 per plate. Please contact Denise today to order your ticket! Email: denise@montessoricenter.org



Winter Gifts

Prior to our winter break, our admins received many kind gifts. Unfortunately, in the chaos of preparing for the break, many gifts and tags were shuffled. We thank any "unthanked" Secret Santas (belatedly) for your thoughtfulness and generosity. Your gifts encourage and motivate us and were all very much appreciated!



International Night

International Night is an Annual event at the New School celebrating the variety and individuality of our world's cultures. Each classroom selects a country at the beginning of the year and hosts an evening of music, entertainment, artifacts, and food based on their research of the country.



This year we will celebrate the following countries: India, Germany, Egypt, France, the UK, Mexico, and Argentina. If you have any resources or ideas that might help any of our classrooms, please send an email to the school at info@montessoricenter.org. We'll shortly post more information on the International Night page on our website.

MemberHub and Birthday Lists

To facilitate parents accessing names for their child's birthday parties, we have uploaded current class lists (with parents' names and



emails) in the "files" section of MemberHub's class pages.

We no longer distribute street addresses to parents or the PTO, but if you wish your address to be accessible, please include it in your MemberHub profile. If you have not yet accessed your MemberHub account, please do so soon.

Because we have recently added a significant number of new families, we have exceeded our maximum quota. Therefore, we ask that all families choose one email to use for this service.

Make sure to check your MemberHub account to confirm which information you wish to receive, and to update your personal data. *All dormant accounts will be deleted at the end of this month.*

If you are a new family and have not yet received information on MemberHub, please contact the office today. Here's the URL to log into the MemberHub website:
<https://newschool.memberhub.com/>

School Clubs

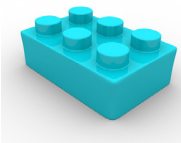
We have received wonderful feedback on this year's after-school clubs! In case you missed the information, our after-school golf program will begin on March 8th for children ages 4 and older, the soccer club will resume on March 7th for the elementary students, and art started on February 7th.



As always our chess club runs on Mondays and Fridays, and we also have availability in our private piano and violin lessons. For more information, please visit the website After-School Clubs page:
<http://bit.ly/afterschoolclubs>

Special Requests for After-School Supplies

In order to enhance our after-school program, our teachers have requested donations of the following items:



- Lego's building blocks
- building blocks or other construction materials
- toy cash register
- board games
- Simon (an electronic game)
- talking globe or electronic geography game

Please let us know if you have any of these items to donate to the school. As we are a non-profit organization, donations may be considered a charitable donation for tax purposes.

School Website

As you may have noticed, the school's website rebuild is well underway. There are many pages that still need to be populated, so please bear with us as we go through this process. If you have any suggestions for things you would like to see on the website, *please let us know.*



Re-enrollment and Summer



Believe it or not, it is already time to start thinking about the summer program and re-enrollment. We will be distributing important information in the upcoming weeks. Our re-enrollment period will start on February 13th and will end on February 24th.

During the re-enrollment period, the school reserves classroom placements for returning families. After re-enrollment is completed, we enroll new applications and late re-enrollments on a first-come, first-serve basis. Next week, we will be conducting IOWA Standardized testing for children who are eligible for first grade next year and whose parents are considering enrollment in our Lower Elementary program. Please ask the administration for more information.

For more information on any of the items in this newsletter or to suggest items for our next newsletter, please contact Julie Schroer: julie@montessoricenter.org, or visit The New School website.

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