

SUNTREE MONTESSORI NEWSLETTER

**August/ September
2017**

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Welcome!!!

Summertime is over, and we are prepared for another inspired year of learning. Our staff would like to extend a heartfelt welcome to our returning families as well to our new families. Here at Suntree Montessori, we look forward to spending an exciting, wonderful year- full of enlightenment together with explorative recreation.



August is National Nutrition Month

In light of this, let's evaluate our meals. Be sure that your child has a balanced breakfast, foods that are loaded with vitamins and will fortify your child until snack/ lunchtime. A good lunch should include a carbohydrate, protein, vegetable and some type of fruit for dessert. The sugar content of a prepackaged snack, cakes etc., is a common cause of tooth decay and poor nutritional habits for their crucial growing years.

First Day of School

The first day of school is never easy for your child or for you as a parent. We, therefore, encourage you to give lots of hugs and kisses and assurance to your child before arriving at school. When you arrive at school, please be brief in your departure, assuring your child that you will be back to pick him/her at their pick-up time. Please be on time for arrivals and dismissals. By being prompt, you are teaching you're your child the lifelong lesson of punctuality, in addition to easing any anxiety that

your child may develop due to tardiness.

***School begins at sharply 8:30a.m. Dismissals are at 11:30a.m. and 2:30p.m. School closes without delay at 5:30p.m. Morning children and extended day children should not arrive before 8:20 a.m.**

Dates To Remember:

August

7th- Mon. Teachers return to school-

After-care Available

10th – Thurs.- New Parent Orientation Mtg. 5:45-6:45 PM

14th- Mon.- First Day of school

21st- Mon. - VPK only students begin 11:15- 2:30

30th- Wed. School Spirit Day-



"School Spirit T-shirt!" at \$10.00 each are available in the office.

September

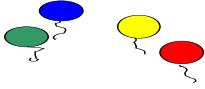
4th- Labor Day-School Closed

10th- Happy Grandparents Day!

22nd- Autumn begins

24th – School Spirit Day wear t-shirts.

Birthday Wishes:



Ms. Jennie's Corner

Birthdays are a special time for children. Please read about our Birthday Celebrations in the Parent's Handbook. Please avoid hurt feelings by sending invitations to birthday parties in the mail. If your child is unable to attend a party he/she has been invited to, do not leave gifts in the office.

Thanks for your cooperation!

FYI: Useful Tips for



Parents

- **Show and tell (one item, please) will be on the following days for the children:**

Wednesday- 3 yr. old
Thursday- 4 yr. old
Friday- 5 -6 yr. old

- **Educational or "special" items encourage more discussion by the group and the child presenting the item. No toys. Children may bring books to share with the class.**
- Please remember that appropriate shoes for safety

and outdoor participation at school are rubber-soled, closed in shoes. Sandals and boots can be hazardous in the school setting and should be avoided.

- **Beginning September 7, 2017, we will be ordering pizza for lunch (extended day and full day students only) every Thursday; for those who wish to participate. The cost is \$2.00 per slice and \$1.00 for each additional slice. (\$3.00 for two slices.) Order forms are handed out at the beginning of each month. The pizza order forms must be placed before the first Thurs. Exact change only in an envelope or checks are accepted payable to Suntree Montessori.**
- Only those who are in our nap area: bring a small blanket and a small pillow for their naptime (no toys or stuffed animals, please- we do not have storage for extra items.)
- **NO CARBONATED DRINKS OR CANDY should be in lunch boxes. We also ask that you avoid dessert with high sugar content. Please refer to your Parent's Handbook for suggested lunch items. We encourage you to involve your child in planning and selecting nutritious items for his/her lunch.**
- School T-shirts are available for \$10.00 each. We would like each child to purchase a

shirt. Children can wear their shirts anytime, but we would really like for them to wear on School Spirit Days. Last Wed. of every month.

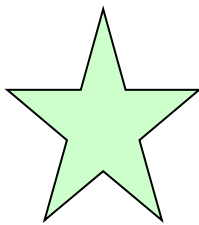
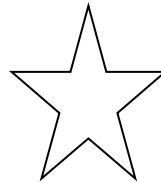
- **School Spirit Day will be on the last Wednesday of each month. Please have your child wear his/her school t-shirts on that day.**
- Please be sure that your child has extra clothes in his/her cubby; appropriate for weather and growth changes. Labeled "Zip-loc" bags are ideal for their cubbies.

Suntree Montessori provides any necessary school supplies that the children need. Children do not need to bring backpacks- our cubbies are very small!!

- **VPK students: Sign your child in and out each day.**
- Please call if your child will not be coming to school. Please do not send your child to school if he or she is ill. Children must be free of fever, without the use of medication, for 24 hours prior to returning to school.
- **Be aware of what is occurring in your child's classroom by reading all posted notices in the office.**



- Specific questions regarding your child's educational progress in the Montessori classroom should be directed to Mrs. Pryszlak only.
- **Mrs. Pryszlak will schedule two progress reports per school year- one in the fall and one in the spring. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the office door when your child's conference is ready.**
- **Parents please remember we are available to you and will work with you to make this a very successful and fulfilling experience for both you and your child! We look forward to a GREAT year!**



"In the words of the child, I hear and I forget, I see and I remember, I do and I understand."
Maria Montessori

