

Montessori Children's House Newsletter



Calendar Notes

October

*3 Payment Due

*3-7 Scholastic Book Fair

*12 Picture Day

*14 No Midland Public Schools

*21 Doughnuts with Dads

*28 Halloween Party



Dear Parents,

Welcome to October! Time is flying fast. September was a busy month with lots of changes. The children and staff are settling in to a nice routine as we continue to get to know each other. Be sure to ask your child about the new things they learn everyday. We have been learning the ground rules of the classroom, we have been taste testing fruits, vegetables, and bread. We have many discussions about the outdoor changes and the season of fall.

During the month of October we will be talking about Fire Safety Awareness to prepare the children for a fire drill. This is a great time for you to discuss your own fire escape plan at home. In the geography/cultural area of the classroom we will be studying the continent of Asia. We will also be starting a new Art curriculum, we are very excited!!!! We are sure that you will hear the children buzzing with excitement over all the new works that will be presented over the month of October.

Birthdays

14 Sadie Klanecky
20 Lucas Jaime
25 Cooper Rabidue
28 Presleigh Kelley
31 Nyle Khan



October Snack Assignments

3-7....Barbeau / Blaser/Nagarkar

10-14.....Sadie Klanecky

17-21.....Bore / Bennett

24-28.....Rabidue / Kelley

Oct31-Nov4....Hall / Khan /Gardner



Cold Weather

Winter is on its way and with that means warmer apparel! Your child will need labeled gloves, hats, boots, and snowpants every day. If possible, it's easier if you just have extras that you leave in their cubbies.

We do take the kids out every day, weather permitting, even if it's just for a few minutes!

Also, a reminder of our

Snow Day Policy: If school is closed due to the weather – snow day it will be posted on TV 5, TV 12, and TV 25. These are local channels.



Miscellaneous Information

- ✓ Our school will, once again, be participating in the Box Tops for Education. We will place a box in the cubby room for you to place your box tops in.
- ✓ Thank you for signing your children in and out on the clipboard. We really appreciate your continuing participation with this!

“The child is both a hope and a promise for mankind.”

Maria Montessori

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Halloween Party Friday, October 28, 2011 will be our Halloween party. The children may wear their costumes to school and we will have a sign up sheet for you to sign up to bring a treat! The children will also be taking a walk down to trick-or-treat at Nottingham Place, weather permitting.



Meet The Updated Staff



**Lee Ann Metzger,
Assistant**

My name is Lee Ann Metzger; I have worked with children most of my adult life. I enjoy watching their faces light up as they grasp new concepts and realize they've learned something new. I love photography, animals, camping and scrap booking. I'm excited to be a part of the Montessori team!



**Cindy Acha,
Substitute**

My name is Cindy Acha. I have enjoyed working with children over the years! Having worked in childcare centers before, as well as volunteering at various places, I am excited to have the opportunity to gain more knowledge here in a Montessori environment being a parent of a new student at Montessori Children's House. I grew up and currently live in Hemlock. I enjoy spending time with family, reading, gardening, scrap booking and baking.



**Eric Jaime,
Co-Owner**

I am Eric Jaime, co-owner of Montessori Children's House with my wife, Tiffany. We are excited to have taken on this responsibility since 2007 and are privileged to be working alongside your children. I currently am working on my Bachelors Degree in Elementary Education through Saginaw Valley State University and help out at Montessori as I can. We have three beautiful children and one on the way. I grew up in Bay City and our family now lives in Midland and we are happy to be here serving among you. We have a passion for the Montessori way and are thrilled to have invested in this school for the community and for our own personal family!



**Sheila Cope,
Substitute**

My name is Sheila Cope and we've lived in Midland for over 17 years - it's been a wonderful place to raise our 6 children. I'm excited to enter a new phase of parenting with our first grandchild due in March. I graduated many years ago with a degree in Graphic Design and although most of what I learned is out of date, I still prefer doing some things the old fashioned way, especially Calligraphy. My future goal is to get my masters degree in social work so that I can become a professional family counselor. I've worked with children and youth for years and look forward to helping out in this marvelous facility.



**Tanya Searle,
Substitute**

My name is Tanya Searle. My husband and I have three wonderful teenagers. I grew up in Oregon and have moved around a bit. I have lived here in Midland for just over 2 years. I love cooking and coming up with new recipes. I even have a food blog. I also enjoy doing different craft and organizing projects. I love to read and am usually in the middle of a couple of books. I am interested in photography and have enjoyed taking some classes to develop this skill. I have worked with children of various ages throughout my career and love the insight and experiences they share with me.



**Patricia Reyes,
Head Teacher**

My name is Patricia Reyes and in 2000-2001 I attended Adrian Dominican Montessori Teacher Education Institute. I earned an American Montessori Society Associate Early Childhood Degree for ages 2 ½ to 6 years old. I have had the pleasure of teaching Montessori for over 12 years. I am excited to join the Montessori Children's House family. My goal is to guide children in learning in a fun and safe prepared environment.