



Montessori News

Dear Preschool families,

I can't believe the school year is almost over. It was nice talking to all of you during conferences. The baby chicks are growing every day! We will have baby chicks May 1st or 2nd. The children are so excited. They've been praying and also keeping track each day and counting down to the big hatch day. We also have caterpillars in our classroom. They sure have gotten BIG! We will watch them chrysalis and turn into butterflies. It's so exciting. I also will send home the children's lima bean plants we've been growing. Some of them are really growing big! I let them experiment and decide how much water, cotton balls, and beans to put in the sandwich bags. It has been a fun science experiment.

The month of May we will have lots of fun watching the baby chicks hatch. We will keep them in our room for a couple weeks so please come see them. The kids are so excited about it. This month we will explore the animal kingdom. We also will finish up our letters of the week. On Tuesday, May 9th we will go on our last field trip. We will be going to the Library off of Union to learn about the Summer Reading Program they offer. We will be joining the other preschool classes as well. The library will also give us a tour, do a craft with the children, tour the amazing gardens, and then the children will get to play on the playground. We then will have a group snack under the gazebo.

May 31st will be preschool field day. The entire Montessori program (am and pm) join together and play lots of fun games behind the PAC. (GYM) We also will have dancing provided by DJ Teacher Leslie (LOL) in the gym. It is lots of fun!! We will need volunteers for this event to help with the games and supervising the children. A form to volunteer will be placed in your family folders latter in the month. After field day we will have pizza in Dillion Hall. June 1st is preschool graduation. If your child is not graduating they do not attend school this day. Please bring the graduating student to class at 9am. Graduation will be at 10 am in the new church. A reception will follow in Dillion hall.

Looking ahead: We will have a movie day June 5th in Dillion hall on the big screen. We will have popcorn and snacks. This will be a fun end of the year party but also it will be a reward for the money the children have been bringing in for the Lourdes Challenge. The kids are so generous. Also thanks to you the parents for giving them the money to fill our bag. We will continue this challenge throughout the month of May. Wednesday, June 7th will be our last day of school. We will have a Teddy Bear picnic this day. Please let your child bring 1 stuffed animal of their choice for the picnic. This will be lots of fun. Thank you in advance.

It's been such a pleasure being your child's teacher this year. They all have grown so much academically, socially, and emotionally. This is one of the best classes I've ever had. I will miss all of the graduates. I look forward to the returning kids next year. May God always bless you and your wonderful children.

Important Dates:

- May 9th – Field Trip to Union Library
- May 15th – Reception 6:30-9:00 Pm for Ms. Cleary
- May 29th – No School
- May 31st - Preschool Field Day

God Bless,

Leslie