

Northwest Montessori

School Newsletter
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*"If apples were pears, and peaches were plums, and the rose had a different name
If tigers were bears, and fingers were thumbs, I'd love you just the same."
-Valentine's Day Song*

This Past January:

The first month of the New Year has come and gone! We had so much fun in January getting to know our new friends and learning about Martin Luther King, Jr. Ms. Malini's Sunflowers learned about ice, snow and water, while Ms. Uzma's Daisies practiced good hygiene. Ms. Anjali's class practiced sharing, Ms. Tisa's class studied the rhombus, and Ms. Rubina's kids tried out a float and sink experiment. Ms. Rhonda's class studied arctic animals. Ms. Allison's students learned about parts of a flower, while Ms. Crystal's children had a cool snow storm experiment! Ms. Denise's class had an interesting unit on Europe. Ms. Ali's class studied the different countries of Asia.

Upcoming February Events:

*Saturday, February 2nd
Groundhog Day*

Everyone will wake up early to see if Punxsutawney Phil, the world's most famous groundhog, emerges from his den to see his shadow. Of course, if he does we're all in for six more weeks of winter.



*Thursday, February 14th
Valentine's Day Party*

What better way to celebrate the season of love than to have a party with our friends? We will have a great time playing games and exchanging Valentines. Don't forget to wear your pink and red!

Why the Montessori Method?

Development of Initiative

A Montessori environment not only encourages initiative but also fosters it. Students do not wait around for the teacher, but have been taught the general principles and approaches to the material and are therefore free to explore on their own. Too many of the tasks we take on in life are forced upon us, but a true passion for learning comes when we get to choose our own projects and pour all of our energy into their completion. A Montessori education is specifically designed to nurture this kind of initiative, exploration, discovery and love of learning in every child.



Reminders:

- ❖ Please have a seasonally appropriate change of clothes in your child's cubby, preferably layers.
- ❖ Tuition is due by the 7th of each month. Payment received after the 7th will incur a \$25 late fee and payment received after the 20th will incur an additional \$30 late fee.
- ❖ Please **LABEL** everything in your child's cubby. Thank you!