

Monday Montessori Moments



Monday December 14, 2015

From the Jr. High- Emily Goddard

Traditions bind people together. They are a pattern with special significance. At MMAJH we are establishing traditions that will touch the lives of students for many years to come. One of these time honored moments is our overnight adventure to the Environmental Center. Each year 7th & 8th grade students pack up their mess kits, sleeping bags, and warm woollies to head up the nature's great outdoor classroom. This year we practiced preparing our tinder and kindling to start mini camp fires using flint and steel. Each student foraged for materials to create an ephemeral name plaque. We also applied a new water color technique, wrote poetry, had a pretty intense board game session, and went winter geocaching.

We are excited to continue with a tradition we started last year with our February carnation deliveries. This fundraiser is fast approaching. In preparation, our students are issuing a single flower vase drive. We know you have these beauties stashed in cabinets around the house. Dust them off and send them our way to partner with the carnations in helping our freshman climb to greater heights as they prepare to explore the canopy of the redwoods in California this May.

Emily Goddard

Counselors Corner- Valeri Cruze

Amazing things are happening. In my social skills groups we have been learning some character traits that we can use and take with us for the rest of our lives. We have been learning things like cooperation, fairness, forgiveness, relationships, caring, and citizenship. There have been some great discussions, as well as learning experiences that have helped reinforce these lessons.

In the Junior High, midterms for the freshman have just been mailed home. Please be on the lookout for them. This will give you a better idea of where your child stands and if they need to spend the next couple of weeks working on bringing up their grades. As a reminder the end of the quarter is January 15, 2016. I would LOVE to be able to see every freshman passing their classes.

Weekly missing assignment reports have also been sent home with students, for ALL students in the junior high. Please also be on the lookout for them.

Beautiful things are happening in our junior high. There is so much to be proud of. We all have become quite the community. All of your help and support makes this wonderful program a reality.

Valeri Cruze
School Counselor

What's New at MMA?



December 15th

Box Tops Store

December 16th

International Festival
9-11am UE & AM EC

December 17th

International Festival
12:30-2:30 LE & PM EC
Angel Tree gifts due to
office.

December 18th

~Early Out Day
~International Festival
9am-11am Jr. High
~Jeans Day! Students
can wear jeans to school!

December 21st- January 1st

~ NO School
Winter Break

January 4th

Early Childhood & New
Student Open
Enrollment

January 12th

Jr. High Parent &
Student Night
7:00-8:00 pm

January 15th

~No School
~End of Jr. High Qtr

January 18th

No school

January 19th

~Parent Info Night for
Early Childhood & 1st-6th
7:00-8:00 pm
~Jr. High Second
Semester Starts

Don't forget! Angel Tree gifts due by Thursday

We are so excited all of MMA's angels have been taken from the Angel Tree. MMA's community is so generous. Please remember gifts will need to be turned in to the front office by **December 17th**. Please bring the angel tags back with your gift. Thank you for your support.

Now Available!

Copies of the MMA Review, our student made literary magazine, are for sale at the office for \$3.00. Get your copy now!

Book Fair Profits

MMA had a great turn out at our last Scholastic book fair, and the school was able to bring in \$3,000! This money will help pay for the scholastic news publication that the students use every week in class.

Don't forget that this Friday is a Jeans day! Students may wear jeans with no rips, tears, or stains!

International Festival is this Week!

Families are welcome to come visit our International Festival and see the wonderful projects our students have put together.

The times are:

Wednesday: 9:00-11:00 Upper El and AM Early Childhood
Thursday: 12:30-2:30 Lower El and PM Early Childhood
Friday: 9:00-11:00 Jr. High

Students are free to dress up to match their projects, but please no masks. Foods brought in must follow the [school's wellness policy](#).

The Lost and Found will be cleared out on Dec. 18th. Please make sure you check it before it's gone!

MMA December Basketball Game Schedule:

Tue Dec 15	@ Ogden Prep	Ogden Preparatory Academy, 1435 Lincoln Ave, Ogden, UT	6:30 PM
Wed Dec 16	North Davis Prep	Weber County Fairgrounds, 1000 N 1200 W, Ogden, UT	4:30 PM
Tue Jan 5	@ Ascent - Farmington	Ascent Academy Farmington, 22 S 650 W, Farmington, UT	6:30 PM