

Monday Montessori Moments



Monday March 28, 2016

A Message from the Director:

Dear MMA Families,

Entering into April, the official SAGE testing window has opened. As I have mentioned in previous newsletters, this year students across Utah will be participating in SAGE (Student Assessment of Growth and Excellence). Each family can help prepare your students in the following ways:

- Be sure you are knowledgeable about SAGE – Ask yourself – What is the test and what will it measure? How will the test results affect my child and the school? Visit www.sageportal.org to learn more information.
- Give your child a chance to practice. Students have been working with their teachers in class, but they can practice at home too. Visit www.sageportal.org to view and participate in practice tests.
- Remain positive. Staying calm will help your child stay calm. If your child gets nervous about the test or is likely to experience anxiety during the test, help them to practice some relaxation techniques that they can try once taking the test.
- Be sure that your child gets a good night's rest the night before their test and eats a healthy breakfast the day of their testing sessions.
- If you have questions about the test, please contact your child's teacher or the Main Office.

Keep in mind that what your student has been learning on a daily basis has built the foundation for being able to demonstrate high achievement on the SAGE. We are confident that this will be an opportunity for us to learn, grow, and demonstrate some of our strengths.

Lastly, I want to thank MAPA for organizing another amazing GALA and to all of the families that came to celebrate Montessori in our community. With this support, we are able fund enriching initiatives that help the school continue to grow and prosper. Please take note in this newsletter on how you can contribute and take a leadership role in MAPA. It is an amazing opportunity to build relationships with staff, students, and families as well as a chance to meet your volunteer hours.

Enjoy the spring and be sure to take time to smell the flowers!

Ms. Stephanie

March

March 28th

SAGE testing begins

March 28th- April 1st

Literacy Week

March 31st

Literacy Night 6:00-
8:00 PM

April

April 4th -8th

Spring Break

April 12th

Spring Pictures

April 19th

Box Tops Store

April 20th

~Graduation Pictures
for Kinder, 6th and 9th
grades

~Kindergarten
Orientation Night,
6:30 PM

April 22nd

Early out AM Kinder
out @ 10:00
PM Kinder-9th out@
1:00

April 25th-29th

6th Grade Field Trip
to the Redwoods

What's New at MMA?

Family Literacy Night



THURSDAY
March 31st
6PM-8PM

"MAY THE READING FORCE BE WITH YOU"

Activities for ALL ages!

- Meet Local Authors
- Play Book Trivia
- Take part in a Reader's Theater
- Storytelling
- Crafts
- And MUCH MORE!

Bring a "picnic" dinner and eat in the gym with your family and friends

Dress as your favorite book character!

Literacy Week is Here!

The week will be chalked full of fun activities for students do to celebrate the joy of reading. Among these activities is our

Literacy Night for families. Please use this link to RSVP for Literacy Night:

<http://goo.gl/forms/ui0qBlKJPc>.

See our literacy night flyer for more details.

Come Visit our Usborn Book Fair!

MMA will be hosting an Usborn book fair during literacy night. The Book Fair will be held in the school library. Please stop by to grab a great new book!

Come and Get It!

The MMA lost and found will be emptied and taken to Deseret Industries at the end of day on Friday the 1st.

If your student is missing a jacket, slippers, lunch box, water bottle or ANYTHING else, please come take it before it's gone!

Congratulations to MMA!

MMA has been recommended for National Accreditation through the AdvancED network. On March 16th and 17th, MMA underwent an intense review analyzing the impact of teaching and learning, our capacity for leadership, and our use of resources. In each category, MMA exceeded the national average and holds one of the highest review scores in the state of Utah. Our two areas of growth are to enhance our technology access and to build data evaluation tools/techniques within our staff. We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to continue to build upon our strengths.