

**Children's House Montessori School
Newsletter
March 8, 2012**



Upper Elementary – Gainesville Trip

The upper elementary class has a field trip to Gainesville on **Friday, March 9**. They will have a guided hike through Paynes Prairie and visit the Florida Museum of Natural History. Students need to arrive on time for early departure from the school.

Kindergarten Students – Marine Science Center

Our kindergarten students will go to the Marine Science Center on **Thursday, March 15**. Permission slips will be sent home during the week of March 5. Please indicate on the form if you are able to drive.

Cosmic Coffee with Ms. Susi

March 28, 8:30 AM

Our next Cosmic Coffee will be held Wednesday, March 28 at 8:30 am. Ms. Susi will be discussing “Gardening Fun with Young Children.” All parents are welcome, however the talk will be most informative for toddler and primary parents. Light refreshments will be served.

New Pottery Class Begins March 29

Our next six-week session for After School Pottery class will begin Thursday, March 29. Forms will be available next week to register for this class. Students in second grade and above will be eligible to register for this class. Classes will be on Thursday from 3:15 to 4:15 pm. The fee is \$60.

Third Year Canoe Trip

March 30

Third year students will have their rite of passage canoe trip on **March 30**. Chaperones for this trip have already been arranged. More details will be sent home with the third year students.

Got Mulberries?

Ms. Susi would like to order silkworms for the students to raise and study. Silkworms only eat mulberry leaves—and they seem to eat a LOT of them! If you have a mulberry tree and are interested in contributing leaves to this project (for about one month), please speak to Ms. Susi.

Spring Break

Just a reminder, our spring break is **March 19-23**. We will have a full school day on **Friday, March 16**. Classes will resume on **Monday, March 26**.

Spring Break Camp Opportunity

Amalia Fernand, founder of Nature Explorers as well as a former CHMS assistant, is offering a spring break camp at our school. "Nature Around the World" will be held **March 19-23** from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. Fliers are available on the hall table with more information or contact Amalia directly at (231) 651-9466 or amaliaceleste@gmail.com.

Easter Break

Just a reminder, we will have 11:30 am early dismissal on **Thursday, April 5** following the Easter Egg Hunt. There will be no school on **Friday, April 6** and **Monday, April 9**. Classes resume **Tuesday, April 10**.

Class Photos

On **Tuesday, April 17**, class photos will be taken beginning at 8:30 am. Please plan to arrive on time so that all students will be in the class photo.

Achievement Testing Grades 3-6

The Stanford Ten Achievement Test will be administered to third –seventh grade students **April 23-27**. Please do not plan any family outings for those dates as it is important for all students to be present when the test is given.

Salad Items for Primary Students

The primary children enjoy salad with their pizza on Fridays. Donations of salad items such as carrots, celery, cranraisins, olives, radishes and scallions are always welcomed.

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DASH FOR THE FUTURE

The 2nd Annual FOM Fun Run/Walk
April 18th at CHMS

The students are having a great time training and supporting each other!

Student Sponsorship packets have been sent home with your student. With your permission, **students can ask for pledges of support for their run!**
ALL proceeds will directly benefit the school and its programs!

Thanks to our sponsors:



Cookbook and More

The FOM Board is creating a recipe book for all to purchase. It will include recipes, craft ideas, and games. We will include the submissions collected last year along with any new submissions we receive.

Submit your favorite family recipe, game or craft idea. Please e-mail them to chmsrecipes@gmail.com

We would also love for your family artwork to adorn the borders of your page. Blank pages will be available in the front office. Have your child decorate the borders of the page and return it with your information on it to the front office. You may also send a request to the above e-mail for an electronic copy of the form. We look forward to receiving all of your wonderful submissions

The next FOM Board Meeting

March 15th at 6:30 pm at CHMS. All parents are members and are welcome to attend!

