

May

Classroom News

MONTESSORI
SCHOOL OF
ABERDEEN
May 2011

The month of April was action packed! We welcomed our new student Asi Temoka. As you can see from his picture - he is happily adjusting to our school and his new friends.

Our **ducklings & chicks** were definitely an educational experience. The children were able to note the differences in the two types of birds from their beaks/ bills down to their toes and webbed feet. The picture below shows the ducklings on their first day of swimming. The birds are now at their new home where they have lots of fresh air and sunshine. Now, we too, have lots of fresh air!! We will be visiting the chicks & ducklings during our Summer Fun Program.

Paul, from the South Dakota Department of Game Fish & Parks, delivered our **Children in Nature BACK PACK**. The children were so excited to receive butterfly nets, fishing poles, magnifying glasses, bug jars, animal identification cards and charts. One of their favorite items is a hand held device that helps the children to identify different bird calls. Please check out the SD Children in Nature <sdgfpinfo@state.sd.us> for other interesting information. The web cams on eagle & owl nests are quite exciting!

Jane Fischer, Ezra & Ari's aunt, joined us one morning and showed us how to make **KimChee**. The children enjoyed chopping broccoli, cauliflower, carrots and more to add to this wonderful Korean food. We are allowing it time to fully prepare itself for us to try some. Pictures of that to follow. . . Also, Jane has invited us to come visit her free range White Leg Horn chickens who happily lay eggs for her in the country. We are awaiting a date for that trip.



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WE LOVE MOTHER'S



Mother's Tea 10:30 - 11:30 Thursday

It's a time for mothers, grandmothers or aunts to come to tea. We will sing you a song or two and serve you tea and treats in a beautiful, flower filled environment. Books will be displayed for the book Fair at this time too!



FUN IN THE SUN!

June 1st - June 30th 9:00 -12:00

Come join us for the month of June as we add to our current curriculum with "FUN IN THE SUN" activities.

See brochure for schedule events on last page of news letter.

RUMMAGE SALE/BAKE SALE

We are still in need of Rummage Sale Items/ helpers. Carol Dean and Alissa Battest will be organizing and pricing items again this Tuesday evening at 6:00 -stop by & help if you can. Large items can be brought the day before the sale- please email us with a list.

Also, we will be having a bake sale & drink stand. Donations of bars & cookies will be gladly accepted.

Maria Montessori Quote

"It is true that we cannot make a genius. We can only give to teach child the chance to fulfill his potential possibilities."

Calendar of Events

Book Fair Starts	Tuesday, May 3 rd 10:00
Mothers Tea	Thursday, May 5 th 10:30-11:30
Dental Hygienist	Friday, May 6 th 10:00
School Pictures	Thursday, May 12 th
Preview Parent sale	Friday, May 13 th 6:00 (and set up)
Rummage Sale	Saturday, May 14 th 8:00-4:00
End of School Picnic	Friday, May 21 th 12:00-1:00
No School	Monday, May 23rd -Tuesday 31st
Summer Fun	Wednesday, June 1 st -30 th

Book Fair

Over 1,400 award-winning, school-age titles!
Prices starting at \$3.99 with 90% under \$10.00!
Over 200 Internet-Linked Books!
Concurrent On-Line E-Fair for early and late purchases!

USBORNE BOOK FAIR THIS WEEK

You may access information by going to... www.usborneschoolbookfairs.com

Click on "Montessori School -Aberdeen"
Books will be displayed in the classroom Tuesday-Friday and again during our rummage sale. We are looking forward to upgrading our library selection with



these good quality books.

BOOKS ALWAYS MAKE A GREAT GIFT!



Gourd bird houses
THANKS NICOLE!!



Devin on his birthday walk.



Jane Fischer helps us make KIMCHEE.



ARBOR DAY 2011

SUMMER FUN PROGRAM
2011



JUNE 1st – JUNE 30TH
9:00 – 12:00

Come join us as we enjoy the month of June. We will be adding to our Montessori curriculum with some “fun in the sun” activities.

Here are just a few of the plans for our SUMMER FUN PROGRAM:

Field Trips -and weekly cooking activities

Trips to Story Book Land -for the Arts Recreation and Cultural Center’s Children’s Theater Presentations.

Fun Water Days - Bring your swimsuits, towels, and sunscreen as we celebrate summer with a variety of water activities. (Sprinklers, slip & slide, water balloons and more!)

Gardening - grow your own plants to take home for your garden. Learn about herbs. Terrarium making and science experiments with plants. Bring home your own lilac bush to plant in your yard.

Mammal exploration -we will be exploring mammals this month with a special kit of hands on items from the SD Department of Game Fish and Parks.

Bicycle Safety Day- Bring a bike, tricycle or scooter to school. Learn about safety & have a summer school parade.

Camping - Join us as we go through the process of camping- choosing a camp site. Set up tents, singing songs around the (unlit) camp fire, and storytelling.

Celebrating our Country - We will prepare the children to properly celebrate the 4th of July as we make United States Flags.

Our last day of Summer Fun will be one to remember as we invite parents to our Annual End of June Family Cook Out! Prepare for Swimming, Go Kart riding and lots of Fun.



SUMMER FUN REGISTRATION FORM

NAME OF CHILD _____

June 1st – June 30th \$250.00 for the month _____

OR by the week

Week one	June 1 st - 3 rd	\$45.00	_____
Week two	June 7 th -10 th	\$70.00	_____
Week three	June 13 th - 17 th	\$70.00	_____
Week four	June 20 th -24 th	\$70.00	_____
Week five	June 27 th -30 th	\$65.00	_____

Before & after school care available upon request.

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