

OCTOBER

MONTESSORI
SCHOOL OF
ABERDEEN

October 2011



Montessori Newsletter

Classroom News

Our trip to Jane Fischer's chicken farm was very educational. We had a chance to learn about White Leg Horn Chickens. The children fed the hens special plants and were able to go into the chicken coop and view the nesting boxes. After touring the garden and collecting leaves, Jane gave us some homemade apple fruit leather and some spaghetti squash to go. (Jane is Ari Fischer's Aunt.)

Part two of our trip took us down country roads, past Black Angus cattle, a donkey,



Our field trip to the country. Jane Fischer & friends.

sheep, muskrat houses and two deer. Upon arrival at Miss Susan's house, we were greeted by four beautiful hens. These were the baby chicks that we cared for back in March.

We concluded our trip by picking apples and enjoying the gorgeous autumn day. Thanks to Sean Duffy, Amy Fauth DeVries, Terri Fites and Marcie's Grandparents for helping to transport and assist on our trip

Picture day

SCHOOL PICTURES will be taken by Tracy Vogel from Moment to Moment Photography on **Thursday Oct 6th at 10:30am**. Group and individual photographs will be taken outside at 10:30 am. If your child attends in the afternoon only, please make arrangements to attend in the morning on that day so all the children will be included in the group picture. Thank you.

STUDENT FROM NSU

Kate Hauck, an education student at NSU, will be with us for the next few weeks. Kate has a love for children and has plans to take her Montessori infant & toddler teacher training after completing her degree in education. We are very fortunate to have Dr. Bortnem placing her students at our school.

ADDITIONS TO OUR WEBSITE

Trevor Eissler's *Montessori Passion* presented by Quick Draw, urges you to visit a Montessori classroom and see the passion and excitement of learning in the eyes of the children.

Tracy Vogel has placed another video on our home page that gives further insight into the Montessori classroom, theory & philosophy. This video has clips of Montessori schools in Europe.

Parent Meeting

Please plan to attend the meeting on Monday, Oct 17th. We will be showing a video of your children at work in the classroom. A Sign up schedule for observations & conferences will be available at the Parent Meeting on Monday, Oct 17th. We highly encourage the new parents to come in to observe the class and your child working in the Montessori environment. The Parent Meeting and Observations will be a helpful point of reference for the upcoming conferences. Free child care will be available upon request.

THANKSGIVING FEAST COMING UP

Plans are underway for the Thanksgiving Feast on Wednesday, November 23rd.

Andrea Kost, Tara Reich & Dylans Grandmother will be planning and preparing for the festivities. More details and sign up at the Parent Meeting.

Parent Helpers Needed

Parents or Grandparents to help transport children to pick pumpkins.

Reminders to Parents

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE
Just a reminder that your child is welcome to take advantage of the after school program. The charge is \$2.50 per hour and you will be billed at the end of the month. We are initiating a sign in and out procedure this month for before & after school hours, so the extra time can be more easily monitored

Maria Montessori Quote

The greatness of the human personality begins at the hour of birth. From this almost mystic affirmation there comes what may seem a strange conclusion: that education must start from birth.”

Upcoming Events

October 6 th	Picture Day – Group & Individual Photos
October 10	NO SCHOOL –TEACHER MTG
October 14 th	Pumpkin Picking & MORE Field Trip (we need drivers)
Oct 17 th	Monday Parent Meeting 6:30-7:30
Oct 18 th -21 st	Observations & Conferences

Thank You So Much

Amy DeVries, Ashlee Johnson and Ioana Temoka have been taking inventory of our library books.

Bridgette Herceg & Andrea Kost will be finishing the task in the next few weeks. Thanks for your assistance in this big project!





