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Holiday Wishes

From all of the teachers at MCDC, we wish your families a wonderful holiday season. May this season bring peace and joy!

Merry Christmas

Happy Hanukkah!

Holiday Book Fair

The best gift your child could open this holiday is a book!

The book fair is from December 2-6. MCDC receives Scholastic points for every book you purchase. Our goal is to earn a SMART board for the elementary class worth \$2200. With your support, we will be able to able to achieve this goal.

Stocking stuffers are available in the office, as well. If you are giving a book as a gift, we have free gift wrappers for you.



December to Remember

It's the most wonderful time of the year. As you may have already noticed, preparations for the holiday season have started. We have many wonderful things planned this December. Be sure to mark your calendar for our December activities so you won't miss a thing.

Save the Date!

Show Date
Monday, 16th
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
School closes at 12:30. p.m.

Pajama Day & Movie Day
Friday, 20th
All day pajamas
Breakfast at school

Winter Break
Dec. 23 – Jan 3
School resumes on Monday,
January 4th.

Annual Holiday Show

MCDC is proud to present the “Holiday Wizard of Oz” on Monday, December 16 at 6:00 p.m. at the Carden Conservatory Auditorium. Due to limited capacity in the auditorium, each student will receive 2 tickets to the show. Please see the office if you need additional tickets. Please RSVP in your child’s classroom. Tickets will be distributed by Thursday, December 12.

All students will be performing on stage and each classroom will have a specific attire to wear.

Toddlers – “Snowflakes” Girls: all white (dress or top and skirt)

Boys: white top and black pants

Ms. Monique’s Class – “Munchkins” – Girls: red dress

Boys: red top, black pants

Ms. Haidee’s Class – “Jitterbugs” – Girls: black top, red skirt, black tights

“Trees” – Boys: green top, black pants

Ms. Nikki’s Class – “Emerald City Folks” Green and white

Elementary – see teacher for specific attire

All students should arrive 15 minutes before show time. Doors will open at 5:45 p.m. Open seating and seats are available on first come basis.

Elementary students should arrive 30 minutes before show time and meet in the elementary classroom.

Peace Art Auction

An original MCDC art piece will be auctioned this month to help rebuild the lives of the victims of super typhoon Haiyan in Visayas, Philippines. MCDC has partnered with Artists in Davao for A.I.D. Visayas, an organization composed of artists who donated their artwork for this cause. Prints from the original artwork will be sold as well. All profits will be donated. Together, we hope to help

Pajama Party and Breakfast

Our December would not be complete without a pajama party. It is the one day of the year when parents can send their child off to school right out of bed in his or her pajamas. Breakfast will be served at school. Breakfast potluck will be posted in each classroom. Pizza lunch will also be available to order. We will watch a movie, cuddle up with friends, sip hot chocolate, and enjoy delicious popcorn. Their favorite stuff toys, fluffy slippers, and furry robes are welcome. Please bring shoes for playtime.

Please let your child's teacher know if you have a movie projector or movies we can borrow. Parent volunteers are welcome to join us for breakfast.

Book and Toy Drive

MCDC is hosting a book and toy drive for our friends at the Ronald McDonald House in Orange. Books and toys will be handed to over 300 families on Christmas. New and unwrapped toys and brand new books are needed by Friday, December 13.

The idea behind the Orange County Ronald McDonald House is simple: provide a comfortable and affordable "home away from home" for families shouldering the burdens associated with a child who is being treated at a nearby hospital. The Orange County Ronald McDonald House offers a comfortable, supportive and affordable alternative for these families. It's a temporary home near their child's hospital where they can sleep, eat, relax and find encouragement from others.

Ms. Laura's Dance Group

For students enrolled in Ms. Laura's Dance Group, a holiday dance performance is scheduled on Wednesday, December 18. A form with ticket information, costumes, and time was given to your child. Should you have any questions about the performance, please call or see Ms. Laura.

Food Drive Donations

Piper Bello, age 5, and her family are grateful for all the food donations. Thank you so much to all families who participated in making this another successful food drive. The Veteran's First organization is thankful for all the donations.



AM and PM Daycare Reminder

All our friends are welcome to join us for the morning and afternoon daycare time. To ensure that the school maintains proper student-teacher ratio, students must be signed up in advance to be able to join the daycare group. Parents may add morning daycare, 7 am – 9 am or afternoon daycare 3 p.m. – 6 p.m. Day care fee applies for morning or afternoon day care.

If you should need last-minute or temporary daycare, please inform the office so we can arrange teachers to come in to supervise daycare. It is important that children come in to school on their scheduled time to avoid student-teacher ratio discrepancies.

For students who are not scheduled during the morning daycare and arrive before 8:45 a.m., the school reserves the right to ask parents to wait until the child's schedule time before drop off in the morning.

For students who are not scheduled in the afternoon daycare and stay after 3:15 p.m., the school will charge parents for the extended time. If your child is in an afterschool program and exceeds the 3:15 p.m. grace time, parents are expected to pick up as soon as the afterschool class has ended to avoid additional fees. We appreciate your understanding of our daycare policies.

thank you!

happy,
happy
birthday
to you!

Thank you to all the families to participated in our PLAYGROUND fundraiser. MCDC raised \$642 from your Yankee Candle orders and received a \$75 cash donation. We will be ordering our rubber nuggets soon.

Thank you all the wonderful treats we received during the Thanksgiving week. We truly appreciate your love!

Thank you to the Andrunas family for donating school materials and books, the Glaser family for books, and the Leonard family for the toddler slide.

Staff

Ms. Annie 12/26

2 years old

James 12/15

Leia 12/16

4 years old

Andre 12/30

6 years old

William 12/4

Piper 12/17

7 years old

Bryce 12/29