



MONTESSORI

Child Development Center



HAPPY OCTOBER

Welcome to the second month of the school year! October brings us lots of fun events and festivities. We will have Practical Life Day, pumpkin patch, bring your decorated pumpkin, building garden beds, and our Halloween parade.

CALENDAR

OCTOBER

Monday, October 10 -
PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE
(School Closed. Daycare available during conference time only.)

Thursday, October 13
at 3:15 - 4:00 p.m.
LEARN MORE ABOUT PRACTICAL LIFE

Friday, October 14 - 10 - 11 am
BUILDING GARDEN BEDS

Friday, October 21
PUMPKIN PATCH

Wednesday, October 26
DECORATED PUMPKINS DUE

Monday, October 31 -
HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION



NOVEMBER

Thursday, November 10 -
SENSORIAL

Friday, November 11 -
VETERAN'S DAY (School Closed)

Wednesday, November 23
THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION
(Minimum Day/School closes at 12:30 p.m.)

Thursday-Friday, November 24-25 -
THANKSGIVING (SCHOOL CLOSED)

PRACTICAL LIFE DAY

MCDC will be offering Parent Education Days. Our first for this year will be all about Practical Life activities on Thursday, October 13. This is an informal, hands-on session. Parents will get to participate and work with Practical Life materials. Join us and learn what Practical Life is all about and why it is necessary for children's development. Activities will range from Toddlers to 5th grade. RSVP's will be available on the 7th of October.



PUMPKIN PATCH

Our annual Pumpkin Patch will be on Friday, October 21st. Each student will get to pick a pumpkin of their choice, take it home, and decorate it however they want using recycled or reused items around the house. Please do not carve or make holes in your pumpkin or it will get **HAIKY AND SCARY**. Bring your decorated pumpkins back to school on Wednesday, October 26 for "show and tell". We will use these pumpkins to decorate our Batwalk on Halloween. Our 2022 pumpkin theme - your favorite children's book character. Have fun and be creative!

BUILD A GARDEN BOX DAY

We will build new garden boxes on Friday, October 14. Donations for garden soil, fall/winter plants (kale, swiss chard, squash, zucchini, etc...), seedlings, and other garden items are most welcome. If you have decorative outdoor planters/pots you would like to donate, we will be happy to take it.



PARADE OF COSTUMES

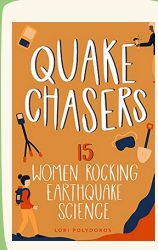
We will have our costume parade on Monday, October 31st from 10:00 - 10:30 a.m. Children and parents can dress in their favorite costume. PLEASE NO MASKS, SWORDS, WEAPONS, COSTUME ACCESSORIES, COSTUME SHOES, SCARY OR OFFENSIVE COSTUMES. This is a family friendly event with very young children. Children should be able to easily remove their costumes for bathroom time and should be able to walk the parade without tripping.

After the parade, students will go back to their class and continue with classroom festivities. This will be a class session only. They will trick or treat. It is optional to bring treats. NO CANDY, NO TREATS CONTAINING NUTS AND PEANUTS. AND NO TREATS THAT ARE CHOKEABLE OR HAVE SMALL PARTS.



**BOOK OF THE MONTH
QUAKE CHASERS
by LORI
POLYDOROS**

This book explores the lives of 15 diverse, contemporary female scientists who study earthquake science.



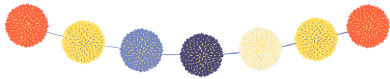
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BIRTHDAY TREATS

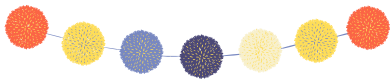
We only allow **peanut-free** and **nut-free store-bought** birthday mini cupcakes or treats. Please provide the school with the product ingredients. Best treats to get are ABE's School Friendly baked goods.

If you have your own small business you want to share with families, email us a jpeg of your business card.



PEP RALLY

Pep Rally days are first Friday of the month. Wear your MCDC shirt on Fridays!



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Noah 10/20
Russell 10/26

3

Zaina 10/17

4

Lelia 10/4
Jack 10/11
Faith 10/26
Kadon 10/28

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Savannah
10/21

STAFF

Ms. Jamie 10/15
Ms. Monique 10/24

HBD!



THE PREPARED ENVIRONMENT

The Montessori classroom is an environment prepared by the adult for children. It contains all the essentials for optimal development but nothing superfluous. Attributes of a prepared environment include order and reality, beauty and simplicity. Everything is child-sized to enhance the children's independent functioning. A trained adult and a large enough group of children of mixed ages make up a vital part of the prepared environment. (AMI)

At the end of the day, pencils are sharpened, art trays and metal inset papers are refilled; work is back in their own homes and arranged beautifully; rugs are rolled; and everything in the classroom is in order, ready for the children to use the following day. Having a prepared environment allows children to work harmoniously without the interruption of a dull pencil or a missing material. Children appreciate their beautiful classroom and eventually help in maintaining it.

MAKE UP PICTURE DAY

Students who were absent during picture day will have an opportunity to get their pictures taken. It will be on October 24. Reminders will be sent home. Pictures will be used for this year's yearbook.

**MONTESSORI PRACTICAL LIFE:
CLICK TO LEARN MORE ABOUT MOVEMENT**



After-School ACTIVITIES

PIANO, UKELELE, AND GUITAR WITH MR. TAYLOR. TO SCHEDULE: EMAIL AT TGL@TAYLORSGITARLESSONS.COM OR CALL (714) 398-2638

WEBBY DANCE - MONDAYS AT 2:30-3:00

SOCCER SHOTS - INTEREST LIST FORMING

GYMNASTICS - TUESDAYS AT 3:30 P.M. INTEREST LIST FORMING

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book Club Catalogs are sent home each month. Deadline to order is every 20th of each month. Our class code is **HR7ZJ**.