

Olympic View Montessori Newsletter

November 2011



Future Events:

Friday, December 9th ... Holiday Party 5:30 -7:00pm Potluck

Friday, December 16th ...Field Trip to the Olympic Ballet's Nutcracker

December 17th-January 1st, **No School ... Winter Break**

Monday, January 2nd **School Resumes**

Friday, January 6th Parenting Seminar Find Your Family Groove: Implementing household routines that will support and nurture EVERYONE in the family! 7-8:30 pm at OVM

Reminder re-enrollment will be in January. Parent Conference sign ups will also be sent out in January. Conferences are Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday, January 17th-19th. There is no school on Tuesday, January 17th and early dismissal of 2:30pm on January 18th and 19th.



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A note from Ms. Kait and Miss Cindy

Practical Life: corn tweezing/ food works

Sensorial: triangle box/ fabric match

Math: cards and counters/ Bead frame

Language: Sounds and Letters f,g,h,i,j

Geography: North America Unit /world unit

Science: Native Americans /Spiders

Returning in January: Do not be alarmed if after two weeks off from school, your children regress and you see behaviors similar to the first weeks of school. It is always strange being away with mom and dad and then returning to school. To help this transition we suggest trying to keep your child on the same sleep schedule as during the school year and doing an activity during the day around the school schedule, even if it is just grocery shopping together. Enjoy the break and happy holidays.

Parent Corner: Another way to have your child feel independent is to have a small pitcher for milk (they can pour it themselves) or a child knife for helping with food prep. Also having them help measure ingredients, especially in cookie season is good way to learn fractions! HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Re-enrollment & Conferences: Re-enrollment questionnaire and forms for the 2012-2013 school year will be sent out when you return in January, they will not be due until Feb. 5th.

Parent Conferences will be Tues., Wed. & Thurs., Jan. 17th-19th. There will be no school on January 17th and early dismissal of 2:30pm on January 18th and 19th. Sign ups to come out after break.

Field Trips: On December 16th, we will travel to the Nutcracker at the Edmonds Center for the Arts. This performance starts at 9:30 am. If your child is traveling with you and you are not driving other children, you can meet us there at 9:10am. Children needing rides and those driving please meet at the school at 8:45. We will need to leave by 9:00am at the latest. **All 3 day children being driven must be picked up at the school by 11:15am.** There is no school this day. All 5 day children will have class until 3:00pm Thanks .

Snow Days: In the event of snow, we will follow the Edmonds School District on these decisions. If there is a late start there will be no morning class, but there will be afternoon class. If they have no school, we will have no school. Please visit our website school closure button, which should be updated by 7:30am.

Kid's Tidbits:



Anand: " Now I have a space for my straw when I drink- I lost a tooth!"

Annika: when she completed the South America map Miss Cindy asked how she knew how to do it. " Cause I am a big girl!"

Ella: "I saw a spider on my floor it was HUGE! But my cat ate it."

Holiday Party: There is a sign up for the Holiday Potluck posted in each classroom. This party is for all family members including grandparents. This year our party will be held at the

**St. Thomas More School
Renggli Room,**

**6511 176th St. SW.,
Lynnwood, WA., 98037**

Parent Conferences: Please note there is no school on Tuesday 17th and early dismissal of 2:30pm on Wednesday, Thursday-January 18th-19th as we will be holding parent conferences those days. Sign ups for your twenty minute slot will be sent out upon our return from Christmas break. If you are not free on any of those days, you may sign up for a telephone conference. There is a space on the sign ups for this.

Parenting Aware: Olympic View Montessori Parents,

It has been delightful to meet many of you and to have the opportunity to observe your children in the classroom. I am so impressed with the focus and understanding the children display. They all seem very happy to be at school! As a reminder, I am here for YOU! Should you have questions or concerns about parenting, your child's development, or other associated topic, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me. We can connect when I am visiting the school, or, we can make time to talk in person or by phone. I am also available via email. You can find my business cards in each of the classrooms, but here is my information again...

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Feel free to visit my website: www.parentingaware.com or my blog: www.practicemakesparents.blogspot.com

I look forward to the school year and to getting to know you and your child. Take care!- Lauren Leiker