



- **MS. LAURIE'S CORNER:** All of the teachers and I extend a VERY sincere "Thank you" for the thoughtful gifts you gave us all! We truly feel very special to have such sweet children and families!! We have exciting news regarding Fall Enrollment. Our Montessori classes and VPK are the best in the area! Give your child the Montessori advantage...education to last a lifetime. This is the time to also ask about our Kindergarten and Elementary programs for the fall.
- **FALL RE-ENROLLMENT:** Enrollment Season for the upcoming school year is here! We value our returning families so much that we have implemented a **Registration Discount JUST for you!** For families who re-enroll by **Feb 15<sup>th</sup>**, you will receive **\$100 savings off the Annual Enrollment Fee!** Registration for the fall is first-come, first served. Don't delay. Pick up a registration package in the school office.
- **VOLUNTARY PREKINDERGARTEN NEWS:** Our discounted full day **VPK Plus Program** is reserved for children who are 4 years old by Sep 1, 2019. VPK Certificates are issued online through Hillsborough County at [www.elchc.org](http://www.elchc.org). *Print your child's certificate from the Early Learning Coalition and return it to BMS ASAP. Please also return your Montessori Registration Application and fee for VPK Plus Full/Extended Day in the meantime to ensure your child's space is reserved.*
- **FRIENDSHIP LESSONS:** It's been such a lovely month at our schools. The teachers and I have observed the children making great strides in their work! We've seen astounding breakthroughs in reading, writing and math. Friendship Soup and lessons of equality honoring Dr. Martin Luther King's work have been so well received. It warms our hearts knowing that our children are becoming such honorable and well-rounded students! I applaud our families for shaping your little ones at home too!
- **CONFERENCES & REPORT CARDS:** Parent/Teacher Conferences are being scheduled for Feb 8<sup>th</sup> and Feb 18<sup>th</sup>. Watch for a memo in your child's folder with your assigned day and time. Report cards will be available, or sent home if no conference is requested. Kindergarten conferences are required.
- **ART CLASS:** We are preparing for our "Fabulous Flora and Fauna" Children's Art Exhibit! *The beautiful Spring Art Exhibit Open House is all week beginning Feb 19<sup>th</sup>!*

• **FROM THE OFFICE:** Please ensure your child's cubby clothing is cold weather appropriate.



\*\*\* Please label all dishes, water bottles, jackets, sweaters, nap items and extra clothing to ensure they return home. ☺



**FLOWER POWER FOR A CURE!** Back by popular demand, we are offering carnations adorned with hearts by our children! Mark the date, **Wed Feb 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>** (if still available) to purchase carnations for a friend or loved one AND support our School's fight against cancer. All dollars go to our Relay for Life School Team. Visit our home page <http://wearemontessori.com>, click on **Relay TEAM 2019** and sponsor one of our team members!

- **SUMMER CAMP:** Beginning Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, join us for our "Eight Weeks Around the World" Summer Camp as we enjoy fun and interesting cultural studies involving music, arts, crafts, games, gardening and more! Space is limited. Start planning now which weeks your child will be attending.
- **BIRTHDAY BABES:** Lots of birthday wishes to our friends **Petra D., Canyon H., Nolan H., Skylar S., Ella & Viola W., Ms. Jessy, Ms. Jasmin, and our Ms. Rohini!** ☺
- **SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS:** We kick off another fun and important Relay for Life event with our parents, friends and teachers! There are many ways you can help us fight cancer and have fun together. Each month we will be hosting a fun event for all to support including Bake Sales, Flower Sale and even a **Relay Spirit Day where children can dress in costume.** Stay tuned for details.

Please join our BMS, RMS & SMS Relay Team by signing up online at

<http://main.acsevents.org/goto/teammontessori>. **This is a wonderful family event!**



- **JANUARY THEMES:** We are studying: Time Lines, South America, Seasons, Famous Scientists, Martin Luther King, Mozart, and Paul Gauguin's still life work. We have Timeless Tales presenting Rapunzel on **Feb 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 a.m.!** It's a jammin' January!
- **HEALTHY NEW YEAR:** We are stressing the importance of nutrition. For snack we are enjoying juicy native oranges, sweet strawberries, tasty bananas and also sweet baby carrots! **Please send healthy lunch items and water in place of juice.** ☺



***"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education."***  
***Martin Luther King, Jr.***