



Newsletter, January, 2018

Peace Song

Peace is the world smiling.

Peace is a gentle dove.

Peace is sharing.

Peace is caring.

Peace is filling the world with love.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Maria Montessori both held a deep desire for world peace through the education of young children. We can make a difference through purposeful interactions with our students. Promoting peace from inner calmness to outer behavior is thoughtfully practiced at school. Learning about peace makers and making peace is our theme for the new year at school.

Close upon the theme of peace will come the theme of love and friendship during the Valentine Season. We celebrate St. Valentine's Day in a non-commercial unique manner which the children love. Please do not purchase packs of valentine cards. If you must because older siblings need them, please do not bring them to school. All during the season special materials will be available for the children to create their own valentines for whomever they wish. These are given freely. There will be no special list or valentine box or party. There is plenty of time for that in elementary school. We appreciate donations of stickers, foam and paper hearts, doilies, lace thin ribbon or other materials to make valentines. Leave your request for a special valentine for grandma or grandpa on the desk, and it will be honored.

Open House is Saturday, January 6, from 10-12. Come enjoy your child's school and meet the other families. VPK questions can be answered at that time for enrollment next year. Families may sign up to receive forms for enrollment next year. Classes are formed at the end of March.

Learn how to give your child the best support for learning at our school. Come to the Parent Education meeting Navigating SMS from 10-11 on Saturday, January 20. Child care will be available.

Important Dates:

January 15: School is closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

March 12-16: Spring Break Camp for Full Day Students Only

School is closed for all other classes

March 30: School is closed for Good Friday

May 30: Graduation 9:00 am