



# **Evanston Montessori Children's House April 2017**

Dear Parents,

“Averting war is the work of politicians; establishing peace is the work of education.” Maria Montessori

## **Peace Education**

We build a community of peace and respect at our children's house. As children work with each other, they get the sense of working together in a community. A sense of confidence and peace is also instilled through various yoga poses. At the end of chanting they say, “You are a kind, responsible and peaceful child.” If you repeat the same at home, these strengths will be ingrained in their minds more.

## **Earth Day**





We celebrated Earth Day by cleaning our street and talking about recycling materials. The children were excited to plant tomatoes, mint and sweet pepper in their garden. Moreover, each child planted a bean in a plastic cup.

### **Grandparents' Day**

Grandparents brought their wonderful insight into children's Montessori educational process on Thursday, April 20 and Friday, April 21. They helped the children with their activities and read stories to them. Moreover, their presence added lots of love and joy to an already exciting environment. Thanks to all the grandparents who visited our Montessori school. We hope you enjoyed your time with us.





**Thanks to Wendy Silvers, Everett's grandma for showing creative movements and reading a story to the children.**



**Presentation on Hawaii**



Thanks to Laura David, Sofia's mom for her great presentation on Hawaii. Our children enjoyed learning about weather, beaches, customs, dance, music and language of the island.



**narrating the travel of water from roots to the plant**



**clothes washing**

### **Life Cycle of a Bird**

Other than working with Montessori materials, our children love to participate in the projects. Here they have the opportunities to create, discover and fulfill their curiosity. They enjoyed their project about birds. They looked at the books, discussed, asked questions and made life cycle of a chicken with egg shells and play dough. They were excited to learn that all birds



have feathers and some of them cannot fly. The children imagined what they would do if they were a bird.



**Magnet attracts Metal**

## Trip to Butcher Boy Studio



## Happy Birthday TJ



## 'Who Stole Cookies from the Cookie Jar?'



**Making chocolate chip cookies**



**Dad Stole Cookies from the cookie jar:)**



**Learning Sounds**



**Matching objects with print**



## **Vegetables cutting and salad making**

### **Dates to Remember**

Monday, May 1	Special Lunch
Friday, May 12 9:30 am-11:00 am	Mother's Day Breakfast
Thursday, May 25	Trip to Emily Oak Nature Center
Monday, May 29	Memorial Day (Children's House Closed)
Wednesday, May 31	Last Day of Academic Year
June 1-July 14	Summer Camp
	Let's Discover Mexico
Saturday, June 3	Graduation Ceremony and Potluck

## **Tips for creating Montessori at Home**

Help your child plant seeds of her/his favorite plant and show him/her how to take care of it. Place a small spray bottle/watering can within the child's reach.

“There must be provision for the child to have contact with nature; to understand and appreciate the order, the harmony and the beauty in nature.” Maria Montessori

It is our pleasure to work with you and your child. Thank you for being such a great community.

Fondly,

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