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THE CHILD**

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Montessori Academy Newsletter

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NEWS!

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Principal's Note:

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We have already completed four months of the school year. Children continue to be engaged in meaningful learning using the Common Core Learning Standards and Montessori Curriculum. I am sure you have noticed growth in your students both academically and socially. This is the time of year when students in Primary classes really begin to blossom.

This month we will begin our mid-year assessments. Assessments will look at the growth of students in both Reading and Math. The students goals were set using the data from September and October. If you have not met with your child's teacher to discuss your child's levels of performance, this is a good time to request a conference.

Are you registered on Parent Connect? This is a parent tool that allows you to view students' grades. You can sign up by going to www.rcsdk12.org and clicking on Parent ConnectXP at the top right side of the site.

We continue to remind families of FOOD ALLERGIES! We have several students with allergies; especially peanuts. Please do not send food or snacks that contain peanuts to school. This will avoid any items being thrown away or sent back home. We want to ensure the safety of all of our children.

I am always available to meet with parents with any concerns. Feel free to contact me at the school 325-0935 or via email at: Shirley.green@rcsdk12.org.

Sincerely,
Shirley, JA Green, Ed.D
Principal

Important Information

Colds and the Flu



IMPORTANT NOTES:

- ◆ Be sure your child has had all of his/her immunizations.
- ◆ If your child has a fever, is vomiting or has diarrhea, please keep them home for 24 hours. Germs spread very easily.

COLD WEATHER

Rochester weather brings the cold and snow. Children can be outside for several minutes when boarding and unloading from the bus. Many children are coming to school without proper outside clothing. Children should have a warm coat, boots, hats and gloves.

We can help families with winter coats. Many agencies and organizations have donated coats and hats for our students. Please contact the Parent Liaison, Ms. Dailey, if you need assistance.

The snow can be fun, but please **REMAND** your child that they should not throw snowballs while on school grounds.



ROC READ:



Children were encouraged to read over the Winter Recess. Students need to complete the form that was sent home during recess and return it to school no later than Friday, January 9. All of the students who complete the ROC Read form & return it will be invited to have...

PANCAKES

with the PRINCIPAL!



RED FOLDERS

Every child has been provided with a school folder that is Red. This folder should be used for students to bring to and from school. Teachers send home important notices, work that has been completed, and homework.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!! Please check the folder everyday. Remove papers that are for home and return signed permission slips. Thank you!



IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

If you move, please notify the school immediately. Proof of address must be provided. Transportation takes 3-5 days for changes. We cannot process any transportation changes until we have verification of the new address.

Please call the office no later than 1:30PM to notify us of any changes with dismissal.

If you are picking up children early, please arrive prior to 1:45PM. This will avoid the busyness at the end of the day, including the bus loop. We ask that you do not park in the Bus Loop during this time.

Montessori Students!!!!

Have you heard of the Frederick Douglas Oratorical Contest? This is a community wide event in which students recite one of Frederick Douglas' historical speeches. This year we had four of our students participate in the event held on November 2, 2014. The students are Nia Walker, Kayla and Kyla Scott , Bryanna Johnson, Johnson and Kyla Session.



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Our sixth graders attended the production of *Joseph and the Coat of Many Colors* at the Rochester Auditorium.



Montessori Students at Barnes and Noble were participating at the PTA Book Fair.



Save the Date!

January 16	Movie Night	7:00PM (Doors open at 6:30PM)
January 19	NO SCHOOL	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 26	SBPT	6:00PM
February 5	Parent Institute	6:00PM
February 9-13	Dr. Freddie Thomas Week	Various Times during the day
February 11	Report Cards sent home	
February 12	Science Fair	6:00PM
February 16-20	NO SCHOOL	February Recess
February 23	SBPT Meeting	6:00PM

PTA Officers

**Tanya Wetherwax,
President**

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**Andrea Gregorie,
Treasurer**

Join the PTA and show support to our school. There are many events sponsored by our PTA. We need volunteers to help plan and execute events. We ask that you commit to volunteer for at least one event. All events and activities were listed in the previous Newsletter (which can be found on our website).

<http://www.rcsdk12.org/Domain/3225>

Meet our Parent Liaison:

Ms. Sherphine Dailey.

Ms. Dailey is available to meet with parents to help gain a better understanding of how to help your child, plan for parent conferences and lend a helping hand. She can be reached by calling the school at 325-0935 X2020.

Stop by anytime!

