



October 2020 NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL PHOTOS

On **Wednesday, October 20** and **Thursday, October 21** the School Photographer from Kreative Memories Photography Studio will be at Montessori in the morning to take individual and class photos of the children. Classrooms 3 and 4 will have photos taken on the Thursday and classrooms 1 and 2 on the Wednesday. Your child may have his photo taken on the alternate day if necessary. You will be given a proof of the photos and can order photos if you desire (there is absolutely no obligation). All Covid-necessary protocols will be followed for the photography session.



If your child does not normally attend on the photography day you may bring him/her to the school for the pictures in the morning. It is preferable that you drop the child off around 8:30am and pick him/her up after the photography is over (we can call you) as the children seem to find it more relaxing to do the "photo shoot" with just their friends and teachers present 😊

REPORT CARDS

Your children will be receiving their first "report card" towards the end of October. This is a basic evaluation on how the child has adjusted to his/her new class, and how he/she is doing socially. A child development report will be given to you in February and an academic report in June. If you have questions or you would like to discuss your child's report with his/her teacher, please call the office to arrange a phone interview.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

On Friday, October 30 we will be trick or treating at Montessori with the children. On that day children are invited to bring a costume in a plastic bag with the child's name on the bag please. We will dress up in the afternoon. Note that exceptionally, children in the Pre-K (classroom 1) can come to school in their costume and wear it all day if they like. At afternoon snack time we will trick or treat. Due COVID-19 protocols this year, the children will stay in their respective classrooms and Trick or Treat with their classmates but we are sure that this will be just as much fun as any other year! As long as we are getting dressed up and "getting candy" we will most definitely be enjoying ourselves.



OUTDOOR PLAY

We go outside as often as we can, even if there is a little bit of rain, so please dress your child well. The weather is getting cooler, so please have the appropriate clothing:

- If your child has sensitive skin, a little Vaseline applied in the morning at home to his/her face will help protect the skin from chapping.
- Snow pants or slush pants (a pair can be left at the school)
- Mittens (No gloves for the 2 and 3-year-olds please). Mittens can be attached (clipped) to the jacket sleeves. (For classroom 4 only we prefer a string through the jacket with the mitts attached to the string)
- A neck warmer - not a scarf. Scarves are dangerous on the playground equipment.
- Remove strings (ties) from jackets, or make them very short. This is also for safety on the playground.
- Rainboots and boots should be labelled with the child's name, on the outside if possible, as many boots tend to look alike.

