

January
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Around the House



Inside the House

Happy New Year!

We are excited to get back to school and learning! We welcome five new students to Children's House Montessori School this month.

This month we celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday, a man of peace. He and Dr. Maria Montessori shared this same vision of living at peace with all humanity. We continue to share peaceful lessons each month with our students. Ask your student about "shining their light" ☺

In the event of bad weather, CHM will follow Rapid City Public Schools closing schedule.

Sincerely, Gayle Simons

January News from the Board

In order to fully take advantage of the outdoor space at CHM, we as a Board are considering the engagement of a landscape architect to help us create a long term master plan for this space. The plan will consider layout and safety of the playground to best utilize the space we have and plan for future needs, while supporting Montessori principles in a budget conscious manner. We are excited about the possibilities! We will provide updates as we progress. Please let us know if you have any questions!

A Big Thanks to....

...those who gave gifts to the teachers

...Stuart Robbins for shoveling

...those who come to PTO meetings or BOD meetings

...those who brought supplies for or helped with Winter Party festivities

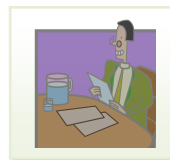
...volunteers in our classes

...our PTO President Julia Atterberry

....our BOD President Lynne Loverich

January conferences for Kindergarten and Elementary students will be January 16th.

There will be preschool Classes on that day.



PTO is having a Garage Sale on Sat. **May 5th**! Please start saving your items for CHM. You may begin to bring them to school next month. This will be a great fund raiser for school. If you would like to help out, please contact Julia Atterberry.

KIDS AGAINST HUNGER

The students will be packing food for this program on Jan 17th.

Please consider a donation to this program, or helping out!

Thank you!



Please consider purchasing a Safeway Community Giving Card in the office. 3% goes back to CHM !

VISIT

www.chkids.net

In an effort to use the least amount of paper as possible and save the school administrative costs, we are posting all forms online. CHM is moving to make this site more interactive for the benefit of the school, families and perspective families. All necessary forms are in a pdf format enabling them to be downloaded whenever needed. You can even read all of the *Around the House* issues from this year.



“Education is a natural process carried out by the child and is not acquired by listening to words but by experiences in the environment.”

The benefits of a Montessori Education are numerous!

From the Primary Classrooms

The children are getting back into the routine. We started our month by reviewing the 3 rules at CHM: our hands, our feet and our lips... We will start learning about land forms and move into our continent study towards the end of January. Please remember to send winter jackets and boots. We hope to play outside each day!

I hope everyone enjoyed our winter break. Although the break was enjoyable, it is nice to be back into a regular routine. The Kindergartners have easily fallen back into their school routine and have been working diligently at completing their lessons. Book bags will be sent home again starting this Friday. Please remember to have your child read to several family members and to return the book bag on Monday. Also, Kindergartners will be learning about the comma, telling time to the hour and half hour, and how to resolve conflict peacefully using the Peace Rose.

Sincerely, Mrs. Butler, Miss Parastou,
Mrs. Verchio & Mrs. Gibson

Happy New Year From Elementary!

We are excited for 6 weeks of tennis lessons on Tuesdays, beginning Jan 23rd in the afternoons.

We have picked a South Dakota animal to research using technology. We each have a folder with a password. We will write a report and find some videos and pictures to share with our class. Our teacher is Mrs. Hadd.

We have learned all the lower case cursive letters and we know how to write our own names too. It's fun!

In December we all set up our own stores; technology, pets, survival, decorations, food & clothes too. We took turns shopping at each other's stores and practice counting out change.

We had a fun holiday program with a dancing Frosty the snowman! Our Yoga starts at the end of the month on Thursdays. We like these activities.

Have a great day! Your friends, Cante Nunpa Strong & Henry Olivier

Upcoming Events

January

11th – BOD meeting

15th – Martin Luther King Day – No School

16th – Conference Day (No School, Kindergarten and Elementary ONLY)

17th- packing food for Kids Against Hunger

Please remember to bring in your Box Tops for Education.
Thank you to all those who clip for CHM!!