apple montessori school

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Newsletter

Important Dates

Thursday, March 2
Dr Suess' Birthday Celebration
Barefoot Books Book Fair!

Friday, March 3
NO SCHOOL for 10 month
Regular day for 12 month
Conferences and Book Fair!

Wednesday, March 8
Rent-A-Coop chicks Arrive

Thursday, March 9
Vision and Hearing Testing

Thursday, March 23
Bring Dad to School Day!

Friday, March 31
Imagination Stage Field Trip!
Primary Classes

Monday, April 10 thru 17
Spring Break for 10 Month

Fri, April 14 & Mon, April 17
CLOSED for 10 & 12 Month

Fabulous First Science Fair!

Congratulations to our young scientists! The older children in the afternoon class were introduced to the scientific method. They chose a project, created a question or "hypothesis", prepared an "experiment", and then observed what happened to make a "conclusion". The children put developing skills in reading, writing, logical thinking . . . and a little public speaking to work, creating a display for their projects and presenting it to friends and parents. Younger classmates enjoyed observing the experiments and assisting with projects!

Checkout the slide show on our facebook page.

Rent-A-Coop

Back by popular demand! The Rent-A-Coop program gives children the opportunity to experience the life cycle of a chicken first hand. Children see how a chick develops in the egg, hatches, and grows into a chicken. Parents are invited to participate in a lottery to care for the chickens over the four weekends they will be here. We will have a basket for you to place your name and weekend in and we will have the children pick the 4 lucky winners.

Bring your Dad to School Day

Dads mark your calendars for Thursday, March 23rd, from 9am to 10am, and for those Dads with children in the afternoon class, 1:30 to 2:30. Please come join the class to observe the activities your child is currently working on. The children really look forward to these days of observation by their parents!

"Education is a natural process carried out by the child and is not acquired by listening to words but by experience on the environment".

Maria Montessori

Hearing and Vision Test

Young children learn through their senses. Their ability to hear and see is very important to their optimal development. On Thursday, March 9th, we are offering hearing and vision screening. Kindergartners are required by the state of Maryland to participate in the Hearing & Vision, and will be given the tests free of charge. Parents' of other children will receive packets from the testing services offering the screenings for a low fee. If you would like your child to participate, please return the permission form you received.

Parent - Teacher Conferences

Parent/teacher conferences will be held on Friday, March 3rd. School will be CLOSED for 10 month Students. 12 month students will have a regular day.
Childcare will be available for your child while you are in conference.

Imagination Stage Field Trip!

Children in the Primary Classrooms, Ms. Bannigan's and Ms. Avery's classes, will go on a field trip to the Imagination Stage. We will see "Paper Dreams" -- *A fun, interactive production that tells the story of two delightful creatures who live inside a wastepaper basket. Can our greatest mistake actually turn out to be the next greatest innovative idea?* We will ride a bus, have lunch there, see the performance, and then return to Apple. We will need a few parent volunteers, stay tuned for details on how to sign up!

Birthday Reminder

Birthdays are very special and we love to celebrate them. For summer birthdays we celebrate the child's half birthday. We like to celebrate with a special snack and a story. Notify your child's teacher if you would like to celebrate your child's birthday. Please do not send in party favors but you may donate a book to the library in honor of your child's birthday. A nameplate will be placed in front of the book to mark the occasion.
Please remember no peanuts or tree nuts.

Kandinsky !

The children at Apple Montessori enjoyed working with watercolor paints and various textured papers to create their artwork for our “shape unit”. The children were inspired by the artwork of abstract artist Wassily Kandinsky.

Kandinsky or, as some of the younger children chose to call him, the “shape artist”, due to his use of shape throughout his paintings. The children enjoyed listening to music just as Kandinsky did while creating their own masterpieces.

Please take a moment and look at all the wonderful shapes, colors, and layers the children created! Currenty on display in the lobby area.

~Mrs. Davis