



Wilmington Montessori School



WEDNESDAY WEEKLY



Dads Day 2012

Thanks for joining us!



Mark Your Calendar

February

29 **Parent Education—Positive Parenting**
7-9 p.m., Part 4 of 5

March

1 **Re-enrollment Deadline**
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2 **PJ Bingo**
6-7:30 p.m., Gym
More on page 2.

5 **Montessori Monday (Admissions)**
9:30 a.m., Meet in Lobby
Tell a friend!

7 **Auction Committee Meeting**
8:45-10 a.m., Conference Room
All are welcome!

Parent Education—Positive Parenting
7-9 p.m., Part 5 of 5

8 **9-12 Talent Show**
9:30 a.m. & 7 p.m., Gym
Details on page 2.

12 **The Journey—Earn five co-op hours!**
8:30 a.m.-noon, Meet in the Lobby
Visit www.wmsde.org/parenteducation.

14 **Open House (Admissions)**
9:30 a.m., Meet in Library
Tell a friend!

16 **Diversity Kids Movie**
Details TBA.

19 **Montessori Monday (Admissions)**
9:30 a.m., Meet in Lobby
Tell a friend!

21 **Annual Meeting**
7 p.m., Great Room

26-30 **Spring Break**
No classes.
Pre-registered childcare is available.
Contact cass_winner@wmsde.org.

Re-enrollment forms due March 1



Yes, it's time to confirm your plans for the 2012-13 school year. We're looking forward to another great year of Montessori education at WMS!

Please return your pink re-enrollment form, deposit and contract by March 1 to ensure your child's seat for September. While September seems far away, we need this information now to plan for classrooms, staffing and programs. Even if you don't plan to return, we ask that you submit your pink form to inform planning for next year.

We look forward to another fantastic school year at Wilmington Montessori! Thank you for sharing your children with us and giving them the gift of a Montessori education!

Questions? Contact [Theresa Conaty@wmsde.org](mailto:Theresa_Conaty@wmsde.org).



PJ Bingo This Friday

by Grant Farabaugh

Each year, the fifth-grade class hosts PJ Bingo to raise money for next year's sixth-grade trip. At PJ Bingo, we play bingo, win prizes, have raffles, and, of course, enjoy pizza and drinks.

This year, PJ Bingo will be held on March 2, in the gym from 6-7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$10 per person for a family of up to four people, or \$5 for five or more.

Tickets are on sale at both the front and side entrances before and after school. Hope to see you there!

9-12 students to "Act Up" at annual talent show



Above: 9-12 students perform a percussion piece at the 2011 talent show entitled "Seriously Talented."

Next Thursday, students in the 9-12 program will showcase their talent and creativity at "Act Up," WMS's annual talent show. The audience will be treated to a variety of acts including karate, gymnastics, singing, instrumental solos, and skits, skits and more skits! Peppered throughout the show will be group numbers — choral, instrumental and dance — that reflect the style of the 1970s and early 1980s.

The evening performance will also include a special act by an alumni band. Julie Cooke, alumni parent, has returned to WMS as the drama coach for the skits and assistant director of the talent show.

All WMS families and friends are invited!

Where: WMS's Gym

When: March 8, 2012

Dress rehearsal/performance for students—9:30 a.m.

Evening show—7 p.m. (All 9-12 children should return to WMS at 6:30 that evening in order to prepare for the performance.)



WMS's Venetian Masquerade Ball, Gala and Auction

Friday, April 13

Doors open at 8 p.m.

Waterfall Banquet Center

Gift, advertising and sponsorship commitments are due this Friday, March 2.

Want to donate a gift?
Email Jenn at jennifer_burns@wmsde.org.

The big night is less than a month and a half away! Mark your calendars and plan to join us!

There's still time to get involved with this important and fun fundraising event!

Need co-op hours? Email jennifer_burns@wmsde.org to find out how you can get involved. Gift commitment, advertising and sponsorship forms are due on March 2 and are available for download at www.wmsde.org/auction.



After-School Specials— Spring Sports

Tee Ball and Soccer begin in the first week of April, so don't forget to register your 5- to 8-year-old soon! Learn more and register online at www.wmsde.org/afterschoolspecials.

Lacrosse players—look for information from Adrianna coming soon!

Spring Break LEGO Mini-Camp

What does it take to build a city? Plans, ideas, friends and LEGOS!

Give your 6- to 10-year-old three days of construction fun by sending him or her to CITISCAPE: Spring Break LEGO Mini-Camp!

LEGO Mini-Camp will be held March 27-29 from 9 a.m.-noon. The three-day camp costs \$90 and childcare is available from noon until 6 p.m. for an additional \$20 per day.

Contact cass_winner@wmsde.org for more info, or [register online!](#)



WANTED: Your Toiletries

This month, Helping Hands is collecting toiletries for the patients of Westside Family Healthcare. It would be much appreciated if you put items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant and foot powder in the marked bins by the front desk. For more information, please contact Amanda Lewis at aamlewis@hotmail.com. Thanks so much for your generosity, and thanks to Betsy's class for the wonderful posters decorating WMS's halls!



Looking for co-op hours? How about tuition credit?

Check out our...

BUILDING COMMUNITY REFERRAL PROGRAM



New families come to learn about WMS every day. One of the questions we always ask is "How did you hear about us?" Most people answer, "from a friend."

We're thrilled that our current families recommend WMS to their friends and help our community to grow.

The "Building Community" referral program is a way for us to give back to the people who help build our community in this way.

Families who meet the requirements outlined at www.wmsde.org/buildingcommunity will receive a **\$750 tuition credit or 30 hours of co-op.**

Spread the word and invite friends to an upcoming **Montessori Monday** on March 5 or 19 or **Open House** on March 14; suggest they schedule a private tour by calling 302-475-0555 or emailing admissions@wmsde.org; or consider hosting a Montessori event at home.

As you spend time with your friends and family, we encourage you to explain the benefits that you see in and around WMS classrooms and share your personal WMS story with others.

For more information or to find out how you can help promote WMS, contact Theresa Conaty, Admissions Officer, at Theresa_Conaty@wmsde.org. To learn more about upcoming admissions events, visit www.wmsde.org/admissionsevents.



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Check out our Facebook page for WMS news, photos and event information: <http://www.facebook.com/WilmingtonMontessoriDE>

Our Mission

Wilmington Montessori School is a collaborative learning community rooted in Montessori principles, inspiring the joyful discovery of self and a passion for learning and independent thinking. We empower children to be knowledgeable and responsible contributors to the global community.

WEDNESDAY WEEKLY SUBMISSIONS

Have a submission for the Wednesday Weekly? E-mail Wednesday-Weekly@wmsde.org by **4:30 p.m. Friday** each week for possible publication in the following week's issue.

Note: Submissions may be modified for space constraints and/or content clarity.