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Wilmington Montessori School



WEDNESDAY WEEKLY

April in Paris: Auction & Gala



Thank you to everyone who made our April in Paris Auction and Gala a great success! Attendees praised the amazing gifts, unbelievable presentation, creative and beautiful decorations, wonderful food, fabulous music and atmosphere.

Your generosity furthers the WMS mission and we can't thank you enough. Stay tuned for more details in next week's issue and a recap video (to be feature on the portal)!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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21	WMS Celebrates Earth Day Campus "Spring Cleaning" Specific times and locations determined by classroom teachers
22	Good Friday—Building Closed NO CLASSES NO CHILDCARE
23-24	Building closed for Easter holiday
25	Easter Monday—NO CLASSES Pre-registered childcare only Contact cass_winner@wmsde.org
27	Camp Demo Day Great Room, 3 p.m.
28	Infant/Toddler Spring Sing Fling 11 a.m.
29	Arbor Day Tree Planting Outside WMS, 11 a.m.

May

(Toddler conferences will be held throughout the month during classes.)

2	Montessori Monday—Tell a friend! Lobby, 9:30 a.m.
3	Moms Day French Assembly Full schedule inside
6	All Staff Professional Day NO CLASSES Preregistered Childcare only Contact cass winner@wmsde.org
9	New Family Reception, 10 a.m.

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WMS Celebrates Earth Day & Arbor Day



WMS will celebrate Earth Day on Thursday, April 21. This week during pick-up and drop-off, students, parents and staff have submitted declarations of what they do for our planet Earth. In exchange, they received an iron-on transfer of a special edition WMS Earth Day logo designed by our own Mark Bomgardner.

On Thursday the 21st, we invite all of our classrooms to join us for a spring cleaning of our campus. Then, on the 29th, we will continue the festivities with an Arbor Day celebration. We are currently accepting donations for the purchase of a lovely, native tree (or trees) to be planted by the WMS community on Arbor Day.

We encourage everyone to join us at 11 a.m. on April 29 at the Preschool Playground (behind the lobby) and wear shirts displaying the Earth Day logo they received during the previous week.

-The Grounds Committee

Join us for Moms' Day: May 3, 2011

Calling all moms! It's your turn to celebrate a special day with your child at WMS.

Classroom Visits

8:30 a.m.— Elementary 9:00 a.m.— Early Childhood

Guest Speaker

9:45 - 11 a.m. — Great Room

WMS welcomes **Dr. Beth Grosshans**, experienced child psychologist and author of *Beyond Time Out: From Chaos to Calm.*

French Assembly

11:15 a.m.— Gym Storytelling by 5-9 students

A Message from Nurse Paige

The Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) has scheduled a National Medicine Take Back event for Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Check out <u>this website</u> to find a collection site near you.

This event will allow for a more environmentally friendly way to dispose of unused medications while keeping them from being diverted for unintended purposes.

Nurse Paige will collect medicines **still in their original**

container if you do not think you will be able to get to a recycling location yourself.



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Camp Demo Day

Bring the kids to this year's second Camp Demo Day on Wednesday, April 27, in the Great Room from 3-5:15 p.m.! Leaders of more than a dozen camp programs will be available to talk with you about the terrific things that will happen for kids this summer.

Refreshments, games, arts and crafts activities, and fun for all will be provided! Get the inside scoop on Cheerleading, Dance, We Kidz Rock, Weather, Oceanography, Cooking, Ecology, Art, Steel Drum Festival camp, Hola Espanol, African American Culture, Scrapbooking and Preschool Traditional Camp.

Welcome to WMS!

The Adams Family joined us in April. Ava is a toddler in Room 3 and Ivy is in preschool in Room 24.

Please help us welcome the Adams Family when you see them in the halls!



Building Community Corne

Ava and Ivy Adams with their parents Gretchen and Brian.

www.wmsde.org/buildingcommunity

Montessori Mondays

Know a great family looking for a school for their 1-4 year old? Invite them to attend one of our Montessori Mondays. Don't forget, you can earn a \$750 tuition credit or 30 co-op hours by referring a friend to WMS. (Login and visit www.wmsde.org/buildingcommunity for details.)

At a Montessori Monday, parents have the opportunity to spend a morning at WMS watching their child explore a Montessori classroom and its materials and will also have the chance to speak to a WMS teacher.

When: May 2, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.

For more information or to reserve your spot, contact Theresa Conaty at 302-475-0555 or theresa conaty@wmsde.org.

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.



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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.