



Wilmington Montessori School



WEDNESDAY WEEKLY



WMS Celebrates International Day of Peace

“Avoiding war is the work of politics, establishing peace is the work of education.” – Maria Montessori

This morning, the Wilmington Montessori School community gathered to celebrate the U.N. International Day of Peace with a school-wide festival. The festival included participation in the [Chalk4Peace](#) program, during which students drew images of peace on blacktop and sidewalks throughout the campus, followed by a school-wide assembly celebrating peace in both the school and greater community.

For more on today's activities, visit Linda's Blog at <http://wmslinda.blogspot.com> and watch for more photos coming soon to the Parent Portal!



Mark Your Calendar

September

- 21 **Back to School/Curriculum Night for Preschool***, 7 p.m., Classrooms
- 23 **Steel Drum Demo Day**, 3:15 p.m.
- 27 **Coffee with Linda for New Families**, 8:30 a.m., Great Room
- Back to School/Curriculum Night for 5-9* Program**, 7 p.m., Classrooms
- 29 **Rosh Hashannah**—No Classes. Pre-registered childcare only. Email cass_winner@wmsde.org to register.

* Childcare for curriculum nights will be offered to families for preschool through 7th grade children. The cost will be \$5 per child (billed, not cash on delivery). Email cass_winner@wmsde.org to register at least 48 hours before the event.

October

- 3 **Montessori Monday**, 9:30 a.m., Lobby
Invite a friend to explore a Montessori classroom!
- 5 **Student Portraits**
Teachers will provide more details.
- 6-7 **9-12 Overnight**
- 10-14 **Scholastic Book Fair**, Great Room
- 11 **Book Fair: Family Night**, 6-8 p.m., Gym
- 17 **Montessori Monday**, 9:30 a.m., Lobby
Invite a friend!
- 19 **Diversity Parent Movie**
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- 21 **Parent Education—Building Strong Relationships Workshop with Dr. Lani Nelson-Zlupko**, 7 p.m., Great Room



Safety matters

We are pleased that our families often enjoy gathering on WMS grounds after school and allowing the children to play together!

In order to keep everyone safe, however, we ask that you please supervise your children and enforce the safety rules that are in place campus-wide. These include leaving sticks on the ground, refraining from climbing trees or tearing their leaves or bark off, and never crossing the driveway without an adult.

Thank you!

Steel Drum Demo Day

Attention Parents of 3rd-6th graders:

Are you ready to feel the island breezes blowing through your living room? Send your children to Steel Drum Demo Day at 3:15 on Friday, September 23. If they enjoy it, sign them up for a semester of musical fun and education (which will have a slightly reduced price, as we'll be starting a week later)!



Before you know it, you'll be able to contract them out for parties. Contact Cass at cass_winner@wmsde.org for more information!

Scholastic Book Fair— Coming to WMS October 10-14

Get ready to join us for our annual book fair! The fair will be held during the week of October 10, including a special Family Night at 6 p.m. on October 11 and an online book fair.

More details coming soon!

Co-op Corner

Starting to rack up those co-op hours? Submit and track them using our convenient online form at www.wmsde.org/aboutco-op. (Click the red "submit" button to get started.) Check the co-op boards and website for more listings. We especially need volunteers for the Book Fair, a Rummage Sale chair and volunteers to cover the front desk on Saturdays.

Contact familyrelations@wmsde.org with any questions.

Help Expand WMS's International Currency Collection



Did you know that WMS has its own international coins and currency collection? The collection currently contains money from more than 60 countries, and we hope to expand our collection to encompass all of the world's major nations.

If you travelled internationally this summer or just have some foreign coins or currency from previous trips, please consider donating them. The collection is available to all WMS teachers, of any age group, and provides the opportunity for our entire community to discover more about world geography, history, exchange, saving, sorting and counting.

If you are interested in making a donation or just want to take a look at the existing collection, please stop by the library or contact elizabeth_varley@wmsde.org.

Curriculum Nights

Start the school year informed and learn about your child's daily routine and schedule by attending the curriculum night for your child's age group!

Curriculum night is the opportunity for you to meet your child's teachers, visit the classroom and learn about the curriculum and classroom activities for the school year.

Upcoming Curriculum Nights are scheduled for:

Preschool: Sept. 21
at 7 p.m.

Elementary:
5-9 Program: Sept. 27
at 7 p.m.



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Strong Relationships: How to Make Your Relationship Last

With Dr. Lani Nelson-Zlupko

What are the hallmarks of a successful relationship? Who stays connected for the long haul? Is it an "accident" or intentional? Find out who stays connected and what you can do today to begin increasing the strength of your primary relationship at 7 p.m. on October 21. Top tools for strong relationships will be provided, as well as major roadblocks to be avoided.

Come skill up! All individuals and couples are welcome at this inspiring, humor-filled and empowering event! Advance registration is appreciated. Register online and learn more at www.wmsde.org/events.



Do you have a great story idea for next week's Wednesday Weekly?

Submit your information to Wednesday-Weekly@wmsde.org before 4:30 p.m. on the Friday prior to the issue in which you would like your suggested story to run.

Please note that articles may be edited for clarity or due to space constraints.

We look forward to your submissions!

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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.