



Peace Is ...

Written by all of the Children of Room 19

...a tree sitting in the sun.
 ...my brother cuddling with me.
 ...love, hugging, shalom and wars to stop.
 ...being quiet and pleasant and nice.
 ...ice cream ... I love it!
 cupids, hearts, love, and peaciness.
 ...very quiet.
 ...a rainbow of 1000 smiles and a sun of
 1000 songs.
 ...love and silence. It is calming.
 ...flowers and nature.
 ...like a mommy turtle laying her eggs.
 ...a quiet woods with lots of animals.
 ...no fighting, and everyone is happy.
 ...a gentle breeze blows, birds chirp, blue
 skies, green trees, and rivers rush by.
 ...a beautiful rainbow after a long brutal
 rainstorm.
 ...a puppy waking you up with a face lick in
 the morning.
 ...silence.
having faith in others.
 ...being nice to others and being calm.
 ...helping people and appreciating them.
 ...people and animals getting along.
 ...love and caring and sharing and being
 nice to each other.
 ...doves flying in friendship.
 ...reading quietly with a calm, beautiful book.
 ...helping people, respecting others,
 respecting the environment, and respecting
 yourself.
 ...sleeping because sleeping is so quiet and
 calm.
 ...a baseball field.
 ...a tree sitting in the sun.
 ...like butterfly wings. It is like a big
 meadow.

In my perfect world, if a war was taking place
 on national peace day, the war would pause.



WEDNESDAY WEEKLY

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Sept. 29: Back to School/Curriculum Night
5-9 Program
7:00 p.m., **register for childcare by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org**
- Oct. 5: Diversity Advisory Committee meeting
All are Welcome!
6:30 p.m., Library
- Oct. 6: Student Portraits
- Oct. 8: WMS Dance Party
Everyone is welcome!
6:00 p.m., Gym
- Oct. 11-15: Scholastic Book Fair, Great Room
- Oct. 13: Parent Education Workshop
Judi Bauerlein: Living a Learning Community
7:00 p.m., Gym
- Oct. 14: Book Fair Family Night
5-7 p.m, Gym & Great Room
- Oct. 20: Admissions Open House – Tell a Friend!
9:15 a.m., Library
- Oct. 20: Flu Shots
- Oct. 20: Early Childhood Parent Discussion Group
9:15 a.m., Room 25
- Oct. 22&25: Preschool and Elementary Conferences
No classes for Preschool and Elementary;
Infant/Toddler classes open
Register for childcare by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org
- Oct. 24-27: 6th Grade Trip to Global Citizens Action
Project in NYC
- Oct. 26: Diwali Celebration, Great Room
- Oct. 28: Halloween Parades
Preschool @ 9:30, Elementary @ 11:15



Our (borrowed) motto: Re-use, Reduce, Recycle!

Thank you to those who have embraced this opportunity to 'reduce' at home --the Pod is being put to good use already!



Some suggestions for donating:

If you have a large item like a sofa or upholstered chair, please arrange delivery to WMS during the week October 30-November 3. This will help save room in the Pod and prevent having to move a sofa twice. If you have collectibles or breakables, please leave them at the front desk for Jenn Burns or Carol Thomson to store safely. For all other items, there are collection bins near each entrance and outside the Great Room for small items. Please check your calendars and plan to help out during the set up week--volunteer a minimum of 3 hours, and you may join us at the Wine and Cheese Pre-Sale Thursday evening.

Questions about donations? Interested in volunteering? Email Carol Thomson at crthomson3@comcast.net

Dates to Remember

Every Tuesday and Thursday in October – Pod drop offs, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Saturday October 9th and 23rd - Saturday morning Pod drop offs, 8:30-11:00 am

Saturday October 30th - Move in day to the Great Room

Thursday November 4th - Wine and Cheese and Pre-Sale for volunteers, 6-8:30 pm

Friday, November 5th - WMS community sale, 3-6pm

Saturday, November 6th - Rummage Sale is open to the public-7:30 am

**MTAD (Montessori Teachers' Association of Delaware) presents
AMS 2010 Living Legacy - Judi Bauerlein**

Wednesday, October 13, 2010, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., WMS Great Room

Living a Learning Community: The Importance of Working Together

Judi's workshop will focus on the collaboration between parents and teachers creating a peaceful learning community for children. She will discuss the benefits of choosing a Montessori education for children.

Tickets at the door: \$10.00 per person, \$15.00 per couple

Judi Bauerlein is the past President of the American Montessori Society. She has started and run two Montessori Elementary magnet public schools. She has been a Montessori preschool, elementary, and high school teacher and teacher trainer for more than forty years and runs workshops on Montessori curriculum and philosophy around the world.

Parent Education Workshop Surviving the Challenge of Parenthood with Yvonne Nass

Did you ever observe in amazement how our children respond in a Montessori classroom? How WMS teachers get so much cooperation?

We invite you to come share and explore how we can:

- encourage independence
 - invite cooperation
- have a child learn to listen
- set boundaries and become more consistent
- create a problem solver instead of raising a problem
 - lower the stress within the family
- redirect misbehavior and much, much more.

Bring a neighbor, a friend, a co-parent, extended family and whoever might be interested. Contact Yvonne Nass (mynass@aol.com) with any questions.

Six weeks on Wednesdays beginning October 6th @ 9:30 a.m.

\$80 per person (\$130 per couple)

Register at the Front Desk

Curriculum Night

Curriculum night is the opportunity for you, as parents, to meet your child's teachers, visit the classroom and learn about the curriculum and classroom activities for the school year. It is a wonderful way for you to start the school year informed and will provide you with insight and information on your child's daily routine and schedule. Preregistered childcare is available by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org; \$15 for the first child, \$7.50 for each additional child.

Curriculum Night for the 5-9 Program is Sept. 29 @ 7:00 p.m.

TIME TO GET A FLU SHOT!

On Wednesday, October 20th, flu shots will be available for parents and children, 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. in the Great Room.

Please note that a parent must be present for children to receive the shot and children must be at least 6 months old.

\$25 per person.

Please sign up on the list located on Nurse Paige's door.





THE SCHOOL STORE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We need a parent volunteer to help run the school store this year. This is a great co-op job for someone who loves retail work! Involves opening the school store for students and parents a few times each month (days and times are flexible), helping to maintain inventory and basic records for the store. Interested? Contact Jenn Burns (Jennifer_burns@wmsde.org) for additional information.

MEET BARBARA MARCHESE, EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING DIRECTOR



Barbara has been part of the Education Team at WMS for the past three years. She supports teachers in meeting children's individual learning needs in the classroom. Barbara's experiences prior to WMS include teaching in an elementary classroom; training child care providers for the Office for Children in Fairfax County, Virginia; serving as Admissions Director at Haverford Friends School and most recently serving as Head of School at Fairville Friends School. She has a Masters' Degree in Child Development and Family Relations and enjoys partnering with families to ensure a smooth educational experience.

"What I love about WMS is the way that individual children can direct their own learning."

Barbara will be facilitating a monthly Early Childhood Parent Discussion Group on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 9:15 a.m., beginning October 20th. This group is open to parents of preschoolers and toddlers – as a way to meet other WMS parents and share discussion on common topics of interest. Join Barbara in Room 25 at that time and bring your parenting questions and concerns!

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.

E-mail Wednesday-Weekly@wmsde.org by Friday to submit information and announcements for publication in the following week's Wednesday Weekly. All submissions are subject to modification for space constraints and/or content clarity.