# HOUSE NEWS MONTESSORI HOUSE FOR CHILDREN

May 2014

**Monthly Newsletter** 

### Reflections for the month of April

- The Pizza Playdate fundraiser held last month was a fun event for the children. It netted \$1402, which will go towards the MEFI fund.
- This Monday the children walked into the EC playground to a delightful sight. Over the weekend both the EC 3 and L/EL patios got a makeover; 'an extended stone patio' thanks to the Baird Family and Roberson family.
- Ground breaking for the Pocket
   Prairie project in our filed of
   dreams was done by the children.

   Some of the grasses planted will
   grow as high as the children!









- To the Baird and Roberson family for their time and thoughtfulness towards extending the patio outside EC3 and L/El classrooms.
- · Parent Coffee: Deborah García for the delicious treats.
- Drive Through helpers: Daria Antipina, Christine Ballard
- Pízza Play date Fundraísing event: Lynda Fohn, Melissa Bueninck, Stacey
   Rípple for all you efforts towards making this event a successful one.
- Parent Readers: Jennifer Abboud, Laurencia Murillo, Susanna El Mogazi,
   Argentina Quinones, Stacey Ripple, Reisha Bouska
- Special Thanks to: Angela Pawlak, Sherry Baird, Kim Larson, Mari Febres, Yijaun Gong, Diane VanZwet, Amritha Vinod, Maria Mainieri to start our FIELD OF DREAMS.
- Mrs. Yíjuan Gong: for her tíme and effort to teach the EC children Art.

To all the Parent Volunteers throughout this academic year 2013-2014, We are very grateful for all that you do!!



## Events for the month of May

May 2nd Volunteer Parent Appreciation 10am -11am.

May 8th Parent Appreciation.

May 15th Field Day from 9:00am

May 16th Pajama Day Celebration: School-wide.

May 20th L/El End of Year Performance; 10:00am

May 22nd "Moving up Ceremony"; for Final year EC; 9:30am

May 23rd Class End of Year Celebration and Early Release.



Our summer camp program has a special emphasis on cultures around the globe!

Calendar for the summer session is available on the MHFC website.

http://montessorihouseforchildren.com/ wp-content/uploads/2014/04/Summer-Camp-@-MHFC-2014.pdf



#### End of Year Address from Barbara Nelson

#### Dear Parents,

As always, this year seems to have passed by in the blink of an eye leaving behind great memories. For our students and staff, the year has been filled with countless golden moments and personal accomplishments that have awarded us with a strong sense of fulfillment.

As director of MHFC, I am profoundly grateful for the opportunity to touch the lives of children through the Montessori principles, as I know of no better approach.

Montessori not only develops a sound and strong understanding of academics, but most importantly, it develops the human. Montessori cultivates the key ingredients necessary for lifelong success; self-confidence, self-discipline, respect for others and above all else, the means to build the best version of themselves that they can be.

It is indeed wonderful for a young person to know "I am good at this", "I can do what I love" and "I am capable". Accomplishment is at the heart of self-worth. Lessons here spill over into the home and family life supports the effort of the child who brings all the values of the family back with him into the School. It is this partnership that allows the child to flourish.

I am honored to be a part of your child's development and I wish to thank you for choosing our School to provide these experiences. I also wish to thank the amazing group of teachers and assistants who create experiences for such profound human development and work relentlessly to hold our School true to the founding principles of Montessori.

To those who are moving to another school, we will miss you and wish you continued success. To those who are returning next year, we are eager to start another year and continue in the journey.

With Love, Barbara Nelson