



Elementary Montessorian

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Visalia Montessori School Newsletter

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News and Notes for VMS Families

New Phone Number

The school has a land line! You can reach us at 559-624-1374 during school hours.

Fundraiser Meeting

The next meeting for the Founders Bash fundraiser is on Thursday, February 5 at 5:30 pm. The committee is asking for donations of a bottle of wine or a gift card for the games at the event. We also need volunteers to make it great!

Valentine's Day

We will have a Valentine's Day celebration at school on Friday, February 13. Your child is welcome to bring cards to share with classmates, however, any candy will be confiscated and eaten by the teachers.

Our celebration will include a treat that can be enjoyed by all students that day, so please leave the candy at home. Thanks!

VMS Tax ID Number 46-4903966

Re-Enrollment

The VMS re-enrollment period is from Feb. 1-March 1. If your child will be joining us again next year, we ask that parents complete an enrollment form for the 2015-16 school year along with a \$100 re-enrollment fee per family, which goes to the VMS Parents Association.

After March 1, enrollment will be open for new students.

Field Trip to Theater

We will travel downtown to the Enchanted Playhouse on Friday, February 20 to see Lucy and her mother perform as Roo and Kanga in 'Welcome to Pooh Corner'.

Twilight Luna Bunny

Our class pet, Twilight, needs a place to live over Spring Break. If you'll be in town and would like to host a bunny for the week, let us know!

Save the Date!

The 2nd Annual VMSPA Founders Bash is on May 16, 2015. Funds raised will go toward student and teacher training scholarships, classroom materials, and student projects.

Upcoming Events

VMSPA Board Meeting

Thurs., Jan. 15, 6:30 pm
VMS

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Mon., Jan. 19
School Closed

VMA Meeting:

Montessori in the Home
Tues., Jan. 27
Greenhouse

Fundraiser Meeting

Thurs., Feb. 5, 5:30 pm
VMS

President's Day

Mon., Feb. 16
School Closed

Field Trip to Theater

Welcome to Pooh Corner
Fri. Feb. 20
Enchanted Playhouse

VMSPA News

-Board Meeting: Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 6:30 pm

-The 2nd Annual Founders Bash Fundraising committee is in need of a volunteer chair for organizing the live auction and a volunteer to keep track of donations.

-Fundraiser Meeting: Thursday, February 5 at 5:30 pm

Contact event co-chairs Nakia Happli or Blair Vedenoff at parents@visaliamontessori.com if you can help by volunteering, donating, or both!

Cultural Lessons for the New Year

We are finishing our study of North America by looking at the arctic, the seasons and the time zones. Because the sun plays an important role, we are also beginning to look at energy in the form of light.

Our biology studies have taken us to the study of roots and with the addition of our classroom pet, many are interested in researching rabbits.

Our first attempt at hatching chickens did not yield

any live chicks. This is also an important lesson as we are reviewing what can go wrong when raising chickens. Students are researching how chicks grow and how to care for them as well as the life cycle of the chicken.

The VMS Wish List:

We have a few items we are needing for our school:

- Soccer ball
- Yogurt-size containers to start seedlings
- Plates
- Vacuum cleaner
- Wall clock
- Your child, at school everyday, on time
- Collegiate dictionary
- Poster prints of artwork
- Pots for repotting our many peace lilies

- Potting soil for re-potting said lilies
- Seeds to plant seedlings for kale, broccoli, peas
- Football
- Your 5-star review on Facebook
- Sidewalk chalk
- Cookie sheet
- Rolling pin
- Stock pot
- Badminton set

Twilight Luna Bunny enjoys her daily kale purchased at the Visalia Farmer's Market each Saturday morning.



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The Visalia Montessori School mission is to build an engaged community of respectful and compassionate learners by providing a world-class Montessori environment that supports individuality, self-discipline and a lifelong love of learning.

Currently serving grades 1-2

Before and After School Care Available