Capital Montessori School

Lower and Upper Elementary Mrs. White and Mrs. Noble



All of our classes will participate in activities that help us learn about and enjoy the upcoming school-wide celebration of Earth Day.

Please refer to this newsletter for all of the details and special information. Don't miss out on the fun! If you have any further questions, please contact Mrs. Ehlers in the school office.

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I Heart the Earth Family Project

At the end of the newsletter there is a wonderful family project you can do and share with our school friends.

- 1. Color the Heart Earth
- 2. Fill out the bottom
- 3. Return your project by April 7th to the school office for display.

Thanks For Sharing!!!

Don't Forget!

It is not too late to e-mail or drop off your child's scrapbook pictures with Mrs. Ehlers.

You will be receiving your child's scrapbook pages in their Memory Book for the end of the term.

If you have questions about this project, please ask at the school office.

Thanks!

A Special Thanks!

...to everyone who brought Zany Zoo animals to share. They were awesome!

...to all of the families for the wonderful donations of books!

...to all of the families for the great care activities they donated!

...to all of our parents for their ongoing support, help with our parent projects, involvement and care.

> ... to those who work so very hard behind the scenes each day making our hopes and dreams come true...

Earth Day Celebration

Tuesday, April 22nd

All of the students will enjoy a fun day of celebrating the earth! Each class will explore different earth related activities and games.

Topics will include: art projects, recycling, cycles of the earth, a special snack, and much, much more! Families are also encouraged to participate by thinking of ways to help the earth at home.

Some suggestions would be through recycling, planting trees and flowers, composting, etc... We will be excited to hear what your family

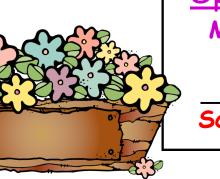
<u>School Newsletters and</u> Class Calendars

We like to remind our families that the school newsletters and class calendars for each month are available on the school website.

Please see the "Parent Information" tab and then scroll down to the "Calendars and Newsletters" tab.

Please keep in mind that event dates and times may change for a variety of reasons.

We recommend speaking with the school office if you are planning to arrive or pick up after 9 am or before 3 pm just to be safe.



<u>Spring Break</u> March 31st ^{Through} April 4th

School Closed



Our Need for Seeds

Dear CMS Parents and Families,

We are exploring the magical world of seeds. As part of our ongoing studies, we will be taking a closer look at seeds to find their parts. We will be getting down and dirty to find out how to plant a seed as well as going on a seed safari to see how seeds travel. We will learn the song "Traveling Seed Song" to assist us with our overall understanding of the wonderful world of seeds.

We need your assistance. Would you please help your student fill an empty egg carton with 12 different types of seeds? (Dried beans and nuts are seeds too!)

Please label each seed cup with the seed name.

Remind your student to carry their seed collection to school on Monday, April 28, 2025

Your student will be sharing their collection with their class throughout the rest of the week.

Thanks for your excitement over seeds!!!

It will be great fun to show our seed containers to our friends!

The CMS Staff -







<u>This Month's Field Trips</u> and Special Events

<u>Spring Break</u> School Closed

Monday, March 31st-Friday, April 4th

CMS Resumes Regular Schedule Monday, April 7th

> <u>Family Project:</u> "I Heart The Earth" Monday, April 7th

<u>Class Trip</u> Walking To Dairy Queen Friday, April 11th

<u>All School Peeps Week</u> Monday, April 14 - Friday, 18th

> <u>Special Project:</u> Crazy Sock Day Wednesday, April 16th

Olympia Junior Programs 1st - 8th Grade Monday, April 21st

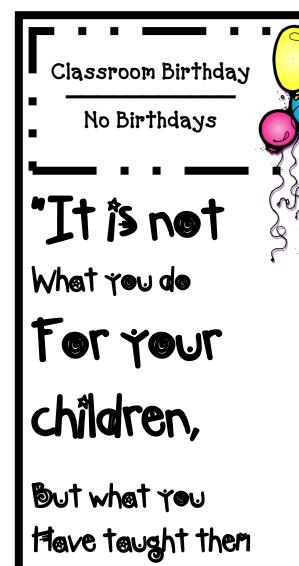
Earth Day Celebration Tuesday, April 22nd

All School Special Project

Trash Free Lunch Challenge Thursday, April 24th

Family Project: <u>"Our Need for Seeds"</u> Monday, April 28th

<u>Class Trip</u> TVW Studios Wednesday, April 30th



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Social Studies Classes

The following are some of the upcoming topics we will be covering in the month of April:

- 1. First Look at History
 - * People and Families
 - * Past and Present
 - * Communities
- 2. Stories Around the World
 - * Fiction and Nonfiction
 - * Character
 - * Story Telling
 - * Plot
- 3. Earth
 - * Our Planet Earth
 - * Taking Care of the Earth





Character Building Classes

Our Character Building Classes this month will include the topic of **Leadership**.

Many leaders also serve as parents, happily balancing a daily workload with ball games and family dinners. Along the way, most of these leaderparents also realize the influence they have over young minds. Today's children are tomorrow's leaders, especially if those children have parents who are leaders.

While leadership skills can come naturally, children learn lessons along the way that significantly impacts them later in life. The right words at the right time can make all the difference. Here are 10 tips to help you instill the right skills in the future leaders in your life:

1. <u>Set a Good Example</u>: As a leader, you realize the importance of setting a good example for your team. This is ever truer of your role as a parent.

2. <u>Encourage Team Activities</u>: Early on, identify your children's interests and encourage their participation in group activities.

3. <u>Emphasizes Perseverance</u>. The best leaders learn to handle failure as gracefully as they handle success. Children need to learn to handle loss and move forward.

4. <u>Build Negotiations Skills</u>: Every good leader knows the art of compromise. Teach them negotiation skills like never giving up something without asking for something else in return.

5. <u>Hone Decision-Making Ablities.</u> Children should learn how to make good decisions as early in life as possible. Children become overwhelmed by too many choices, narrow down the options to two or three. Teach your child to weigh the pros and cons of each option. This will help them to make correct decisions in everyday life.

6. <u>Practice Confident Communication</u>: Allowing children to order and speak directly to others will help them gain confidence in themselves and be able to communicate what they need.

7. <u>Encourage Work.</u> Often children are eager to begin working in some capacity. Stat with simple jobs around the house and as the your child gets older expand to jobs outside the home. Early jobs will be essential to building leadership skills.

8. <u>Have Family Game Night</u>: Instead of spending an evening staring at your respective screens, consider an evening of board games instead. It helps children learn to be a good sport, play by the rules, and think strategically.

9. <u>Teach Project Planning Skills</u>. As a family, you likely have many planned events. Don't leave the children out of the planning process. Treat each event as though it were a business project.

10. <u>Reward Optimistic Thinking</u>. The fact that optimism is connected to success should not be lost on your family. Reward optimism, especially when that optimism is connected to attempting to reach a goal.

Financial experts say that "to teach your children money management you need to allow them to make mistakes." It will teach them valuable lessons that will help them throughout their whole life. It will also help them know what they can and can't afford.

In small ways, today's leaders can prepare younger generations for their future as business leaders. Each of these suggestions will not only create better leaders, but can help children preform better in school and develop better personal relationships throughout life.

Tumwater Fall Walking Trail











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