



Village  
Montessori

"Everything We Do Is Education!"

# School Newsletter

October, 2009

Dear Village Montessori family,

We are so fortunate to work in a field where the fruits of our labor are evident each day! The children at Village Montessori are learning and developing in every area and in return these beautiful children share what they have learned with each other and us as well. We are grateful to be a part of their everyday growth and happiness.

Below you will find this month's themes and focus. The teachers and assistants are building lesson plans around practical application of each to reinforce positive messages while the children have fun learning.

On October 29th we will have our Annual Costume party parade. If your child chooses to dress as a super hero or character it might be fun to have them learn what good deed the person has done or how they bring goodness to others. (i.e. Super-heroes help the police keep us safe, fairies assist mother nature in keeping our environment clean and healthy, Peter Pan encourages children to use their imagination throughout their lives, etc.)

Finally, If you haven't met "Peace" (our pet Bunny) please come inside our school to say hello. The children really have taken to him! He was adopted during our "light a candle for peace" event last month and remains a symbol of peace for the children each day. - Joan

## Virtue of the Month - CHARITY

"The greatest gift in the world is to be able to give." -Anonymous

Generosity means to give and to share of your time and treasure. Charity is to share freely with those in need, without expecting anything in return. Good Friends and neighbors are generous and charitable with each other.

## Song of the month

Our song of the month is "Everybody Needs A Smile" by Shelley Murley. In keeping with our virtue "Charity" we are encouraging the children to give the gift of a smile! Its heartwarming... and free!!

*"Today I will smile at the world and it's people, everybody needs a smile, open your mouth and show us your smile, sing how do you do, I'm so glad I met you, Oh Smile, Today I will smile at the world and it's people, Everybody needs a smile!"*

You can download this song at <http://www.shelleymurley.com/>



*"The child is a well-spring of love. Whenever we touch the child, we touch love."*

*Maria Montessori*

## Theme - Animals



During the month of October we will learn about animals. We will learn about African animals, mothers and babies, ocean animals and farm animals. We learn by matching object to object, object to picture and picture to picture. Through music we will reinforce our theme with songs like "Old MacDonald", "Uncle Pete had a Farm" and "Six little ducklings".

**Composers** - Chopin & Leopold Mozart

**Artists** - Piet Mondrian's & Van Gogh

**Important Person** - Christopher Columbus

**Food Pyramid-** The importance of eating foods that are good for our Bodies first



## Upcoming Events

### OCTOBER

29 - Costume Party!

30 - Teacher Planning Day- School Closed

### NOVEMBER

11- Veterans Day- School Closed

26 & 27 - Thanksgiving Holiday- School Closed



*"Free the  
child's potential,  
and you will  
transform him  
into the world"*

*Maria Montessori*

## Birthdays

### OCTOBER

- 01 - Pedro Mora
- 03 - Luke James Mahon
- 09 - Devin de Jesus
- 23 - Valentina Castellanos
- 26 - Erika Sans



## Village Montessori Community News

Our after school activities started the week of September 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Wednesday** - **GYMKIDZ** Registration \$35 Sept 15 to Dec 12 4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. after school children pay \$168 Village Montessori students \$300

**Friday** - **Ballet** with Ms. Denise Registration is \$20 and monthly \$48 or \$12 a class.

**Fridays** - **French** at 3:00 for the preschoolers with Ms. Tamara She will have a 11 week sessions from Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> to Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> for \$206. We would be happy to prorate the classes accordingly.

Key board lessons have started with Ms. Yanina as requested by parents. If you would like to join the price is \$50 a month for a 40 minute private lesson on Tuesdays. Children start the class at 1:30 p.m.

