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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ 8/30 Fall Session starts
- ◆ 9/6 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
- ◆ 9/16 PARENT NIGHT GR & TR 6:00pm, RR 7:00pm
- ◆ 9/21 Board Meeting in Toddler Room at 6:00pm. *All are welcome to attend!*
- ◆ 9/23 Field Trip (GR & RR Only) to Peace Pavilion 8:30am - 1:30pm
- ◆ 9/30 Co-Op Meeting and Back-To-School Picnic at Loose Park at 6:00pm

## Director's News

Welcome Back to GMA! The new school year has begun and fall is right around the corner. This will be a great year with many new programs in place to stimulate and educate your children. We will continue our authentic Montessori curriculum, with the addition of new lessons and work for the children to learn. Our cultural lessons will be based on a different area or continent each month. This month, we will learn about The Peaceful Classroom, Human Needs, Parts of the Body, The Senses, Emotions, and all about our individual families, interests, and hobbies. Classes start at 8:30 each morning with line time at 8:45. Please be sure to be here by 8:45 so your children will be able to participate in line time. If your child arrives after 8:45, they need to come to the office until line time is over to avoid disrupting the class.

School is closed on Monday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> for Labor Day! Enjoy your long weekend!

The Primary Rooms (3-6 yrs) will go on a field trip to The Peace Pavilion on Thursday, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Sign & return permission slips by Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>. Please arrive no later than 8:30am and should return around 1:30pm. Parent volunteers are always welcome and appreciated! Please bring a sack lunch and drink. We require all children to wear their GMA T-shirts to all field trips. This just helps to easily identify all of our students. New students receive a T-shirt on enrollment. If you wish to purchase another T-shirt, they are available for \$15 and come in

## Dear Parents,

Please remember to bring home your child's bedding on their last day of class each week and bring fresh linens on their first day of the following week. We are looking for new families that want to participate in the on-going fundraiser with Door-to-Door Organics.

We have formed a Co-op with Door-to-Door Organics. Weekly or bi-weekly, they will deliver boxes of fresh organic fruits and vegetables (grown locally when possible). Parents place and pay for their orders online

two sizes: XS (2-4) & S (6-8).

On Thursday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, we are having a Parent Night here at GMA! This will be an opportunity to learn more about the areas of the classroom, the daily schedule, and what your child will be working on the classroom. It is also a chance to ask questions and meet with the teacher and other parents. The Toddler Room & Galaxy Room session is from 6:00- 6:45pm. The Rainbow Room Session is from 7:00-7:45pm. Children are welcome in the classroom or childcare will be provided in the Power & Light Room if you sign up ahead of time.

Please plan to attend the first Co-op meeting of the school year! It will be held on Thursday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with our Annual Back-to-School Picnic at Loose Park at 6:00pm. The school will provide the main course and we ask each family to sign up to bring sides, desserts, or drinks. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board above the sign-in book.

Here are some dates to remember for October: Picture Day is Wednesday, Oct 6<sup>th</sup>. There will be No School on Monday, Oct 11<sup>th</sup> for a Teacher Planning Day. Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Oct 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00- 5:00 for all classrooms. Parent Education Night is on Oct 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00pm. School will be closed for the MEPI Montessori Workshop on Oct 22. Our Annual Trunk or Treat is Oct 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00pm. Please make sure to mark your calendars.

at [kc.doortodoororganics.com](http://kc.doortodoororganics.com). The orders will be delivered on Wednesdays weekly to the school for pickup. Door to Door Organics donates 10% of sales to our school for every family joining the co-op. The money we raise for this and future fundraisers will go towards our new playground equipment.

We also collect Box Tops and Nestle Water Bottle Labels! The collection jars are next to the lunch sign-in desk.

## New Students

Please welcome our new students this month!

- Jack Kessler joins GMA this month. He is turning five and is in the **Galaxy Room**.
- Serafina Kessler, Jack's sister, also joins the GMA family this month. She is turning three and is in the **Rainbow Room**.
- Bella Stowe has returned to GMA and is in the **Galaxy Room**. She is four years old.
- Isabella Parr has also returned to GMA (her mother, Brandy, is a teacher in the Toddler Room). She is turning five and is in the **Galaxy Room**.
- William Lockwood has joined the GMA family this month. He is four and is in the **Rainbow Room**.
- Camille Zenk also joins the **Rainbow Room**. She is four and becomes a part of the GMA family this month.
- Stella Ismert is three and joins GMA later this month. She is moving to KC soon and will be in the **Galaxy Room**.
- Twins, Carter & Kennedy Smith Join GMA this month. They are both 3 years old. Carter is in the **Rainbow Room**, & Kennedy is in the **Galaxy Room**.
- Zayvian Alcorn joins the GMA family this month. He is three and is in the **Rainbow Room**.
- Declan Millet also joins GMA this month. He is turning three and is in the **Galaxy Room**.

## Toddler Transitions

- Christopher Wright has transitioned from the Toddler Room to the Galaxy Room.

*Welcome to the Galaxy Room,  
Christopher!*

## Celebrations of Life

- Jack Kessler turns 5 on 9/2
- Isabella Parr turns 5 on 9/8

***Happy Birthday!***

If you would like to view, download, or order pictures from any GMA function, please visit our online Picasa album at:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/GMADirector>

## Our Field trip to Wonderscope



*"The land is where our roots are. The children must be taught to feel and live in harmony with the Earth."*

*-Dr. Maria Montessori*

## Toddler Room News

As we begin our school year together, I would like to emphasize that I want the Toddler friends to feel truly welcome. I want them to begin (and to continue) feeling their classroom is a place where they are embraced for who they are. During the first few weeks, they will focus on becoming acquainted with the

## Rainbow Room News

Welcome Rainbow Families!  
There are quite a few new families joining us this year in the Rainbow Room, and I'm looking forward to sharing this year and hopefully a few more years with you :) We are going to start this Fall by getting to know each other, what makes us the same/different, how to treat ourselves, each other, and the environment with care and respect, and start exploring what the classroom is providing. There are all kinds of fun activities, so if your child does not come home with anything in their hands, it's because the Montessori Environment is enriching their lives through their ability to absorb and manipulate objects and

materials, the daily schedule, and their classmates. We work hard at establishing a calm, reassuring atmosphere that fosters self-confidence and an interest in learning. Please let us know if there is something we can do to make this transition more comfortable for your child. We look forward to getting to know you and your child throughout this school year!  
- Ms.Andrea, Ms. Brandy, & Ms.Maria

sounds. Please feel free to e-mail me at anytime at [rainbowroom@globalmontessori.com](mailto:rainbowroom@globalmontessori.com) or see me after school from 3:30 to 4pm. I will be keeping you posted of our classroom weekly events by e-mail as well. After we get the ball rolling, we are going to begin working on different letters of the alphabet but only explaining them as a phonic sound. All the vowels will be introduced as the short sound, and then as your child begins to understand the whole alphabet phonetically, I will introduce the long vowels sounds to them individually. I am so excited about our new year!

Peace to you and your little one,  
- Ms.Cristina & Ms.Shawna

## Galaxy Room News

Welcome Galaxy Room families! The school year is off to a fabulous start! We are so happy to have such a wonderful group of students and families this year. This month we will be studying the human body. We learn the various body parts and all the systems of the human body, including the skeletal system, digestive system, nervous system, respiratory system and cardiovascular system. We will take a look at how we are all alike, and what makes each of us unique. Also very important is learning to identify the various feelings that we feel and how to properly cope with those feelings. We will take a field trip to the Peace Pavilion on

September 23rd to reinforce some of these concepts. Parents and grandparents are welcome to join us. We have a very special night planned for you. Parent Night will be held September 16th in our classroom from 6:00pm to 6:45 pm. This will be a time to learn more about the workings of our classroom and to view demonstrations of Montessori equipment so you will know how it is used by your children. Show your child that you are interested in his/her education by joining us for a short 45 minutes. When children see that you are interested, they will become more interested too! I hope to see all of you there! Have a wonderful month!!  
-Ms. Lori & Ms. Maria

## Power & Light News

Greetings from the Power & Light Room! I look forward to getting to know all you- so don't hesitate to stop by and say "Hello". I would love to have a framed family photo to display in our P&L entry hall. Speaking of our entry hall, our class has a "lighthouse" coin collector that we will be accepting donations throughout the year and donating it to "Pennies for Peace". The Power & Light is a multi-purpose room. We have before care & aftercare as well as special classes each day. From 9-

11, I will be having outdoor class time (weather permitting) with the Galaxy & Rainbow Rooms on a rotating schedule. We will be doing gardening and other outdoor classroom activities like studying the life cycle of a plant, parts of trees and flowers, and the 4 seasons. As Indoor activates, we will be cooking with the kids. We will start off with the basics on measurements, reading a recipe and different utensils needed for cooking and baking. -Ms. Tammy

Check out our new website!  
[www.globalmontessori.com](http://www.globalmontessori.com)



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Theme: Peaceful Classroom, Human Needs,  
My Body, My Feelings, My Family

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1  <i>Spanish</i>	2  <i>Phys Ed</i>	3  <i>Teacher Treats Spanish</i>	4
5	6 <b>NO SCHOOL</b>  <i>Labor Day</i>	7  <i>Music</i>	8  <i>Spanish</i>	9  <i>Phys Ed</i>	10  <i>Teacher Treats Spanish</i>	11
12	13  <i>Art</i>	14  <i>Music</i>	15 <i>Tuition Due</i>  <i>Spanish</i>	16 <i>Parent Night</i> <i>6:00 GR &amp; TR</i> <i>7:00 RR</i>  <i>Phys Ed</i>	17  <i>Teacher Treats Spanish</i>	18
19	20  <i>Art</i>	21 <b>6:00 Board Meeting</b>  <i>Music</i>	22  <i>Spanish</i>	23 <i>Tuition Late</i>  <i>Field Trip - (Primary only)</i> <i>Peace Pavilion</i> <i>8:30 - 1:30</i>	24  <i>Teacher Treats Spanish</i>	25
26	27  <i>Art</i>	28  <i>Music</i>	29  <i>Spanish</i>	30 <i>6:00 Back to School Picnic- Loose Park</i>  <i>Phys Ed</i>		