Message from Suzette

Last week I had the opportunity to attend a Director's Institute in Oakland. Directors from early childhood centers around the state gathered to learn more about updated licensing regulations, Human Resources and how Social Media can be used to promote our schools. The topic of how the internet and social media can open up our world, allow us to work on the go and to connect with friends far and near - the flip-side is that checking our social media and working from our phones can be all encompassing and keep us from actually connecting with those most important to us. Check out this You Tube Video produced by Coca Cola. It is hilarious, but sends a very important message. Click to watch the Social Media Guard.

Butterfly Fun Run Festival
HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR THE FUN RUN FESTIVAL?

9 more days until we celebrate fall at the Lafayette Reservoir! [REGISTER NOW!]

Reminder: You don't have to register for the Fun Run to attend the festival (although we HIGHLY recommend it)! Just register for "FESTIVAL ONLY" and purchase your festival tickets there. If you're not sure how many tickets you'll need, the [FESTIVAL FUN] tab has all the info you'll need!

Volunteers still needed: Open volunteer spots are still available. [Sign up now!]
because this event can't [run] on it's own! Sign up for your classroom booth, sell tickets, or help clean up! We also would love a photographer! Just want to play? Grandparents, aunts/uncles or any trusted caretaker can volunteer!

Class Spirit T-Shirts: All the children have been working hard on their class spirit t-shirts, and they are SO cute! The t-shirts highlight the uniqueness of each class so they can root each other on at the run and the festival. Don’t forget to put the shirts on your kids on [fun run day]. *You’ll want to in case they get dirty with all the arts, crafts, and delicious festival fare.*

Race Categories: Have you ever wanted to rent those little pedal boats on the Lafayette Reservoir? Well, here's your chance! We know the fun run is meant to be, well, FUN, but we all need a little competition in our lives. See the [Race Info Page] for the list of categories and you can run/walk for a chance to
Parent Education

The Montessori Journey - October 10, 5:15-6:45 pm

One of the greatest challenges of being a Montessori parent is that, in most cases, you did not attend a Montessori school as a child - and, without the direct experience, it can be difficult to really understand what goes on at school and what your child learns in a Montessori classroom. The Montessori Journey is meant to help take your understanding of the Montessori 3-6 or early childhood program to the next level. This event is often a powerful experience for Montessori parents - many say they finally "get it". Parents often relate that, although their children are happy, well adjusted and learning amazing things, they have a difficult time explaining Montessori to friends and family. It is our hope that after attending the Montessori Journey, you will have the personal experience to better understand and communicate about your own child's Montessori experience.

Click here to register. Please note: We will be focusing on the experience of a Montessori early childhood student (ages 3-6).

Complimentary childcare for children 3-8 years of age will be provided with advanced registration. A light pizza dinner will be served to the children.

School Pictures

October 1,2,3

Next week our photographer will be on campus the mornings of 10/1,2,3, to take individual pictures of each child, sibling photos of children enrolled in DVMS and class photos. The pictures will be available to purchase on-line around mid October.
You do not need to do anything in preparation for the photos, no forms to fill out - just get that haircut, wash their face and send them to school in the outfit you want their picture taken in. Here is the schedule for the week:

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Mark your calendar!

- October 1, 2, 3: School Pictures
- October 10: Montessori Journey 5:15-6:45 PM
- October 23: DVMS BOD Meeting
- October 31: Halloween Parade 10 AM
- November 1: No School, Teacher In-Service Day