



Diablo Valley Montessori School

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Excitement for the holidays is peaking! So many wonderful activities have complemented daily learning. From baking latkes, assembling care kits for the Berkeley Food and Housing Project, crafts, greeting cards, and caroling, the children have engaged in meaningful projects that spread joy.

This week is the last week of class for the Buttercup and Preschool, (Jasmin, Petunia, Honeysuckle, Daisy, and Lavender) children. From December 19-23, IT House and the DVMS Office is open. Extended care for Preschool for children, (already registered and confirmed), is also in session. For children attending next week, please notify us if your plans change so we can accurately staff the programs.

On Friday, December 23, the DVMS office will close at 1:30pm. We will all be back on January 3, 2023!

Thank you for being part of this wonderful community. Below is a fantastic "Shout Out" to DVMS from Help A Mother Out recognizing our successful Diaper Drive. We are still counting coins from last week's Coin Drive. Stay tuned for the totals!

Speaking of community, next month we are excited to host a Parent Education evening

with Vanessa Callaghan, parent coach and Montessori educator. More information is below about how to register and learn "5 Kind and Clever Ways to MOTIVATE children...with less rewards and punishments". I hope to see you there!

Finally I want to thank you for your trust and support this year. I hope that the holiday season brings many moments of joy with those you love most.

Wishing you love and peace,
Jayne



Enrichment Classes: Kinderdance and Spanish



Jump, Dance, Move and Groove

We are so pleased that enrichment programs are continuing in 2023!

Spanish

Ms Alma, Jasmin Lead Teacher, after-school Spanish program meets on Wednesday afternoons from 3:05pm-3:45pm. The children will learn vocabulary, have fun with conversational Spanish through music and games.

The next session begins on January 4th and goes until May 24th, with the exception of February 1st, March 22nd, and April 5th.

[Click here](#) to register

Kinderdance

Calling all little dancers for the winter session of Kinderdance!

Ms Kira will be back offering her always-popular Kindertots and Kinderdance programs on Thursday afternoons. Kira's contact information and class descriptions are attached.

The Winter Session Dates are:

January 12, 19, 26

February 2, 9, 16, 23

March 2

[Click here](#) to register.

Parent Education Opportunities



**FREE PARENT
WORKSHOP**

**Thursday
January 12th
7-8:30pm**

**Register on
Eventbrite**



Diablo Valley Montessori School presents...

**5 Kind & Clever Ways
to MOTIVATE children...
with less rewards &
punishments**

Experience how to...

- WIN your child's cooperation
- SUPPORT more focus & engagement in school, virtual learning, and family life
- TAKE ACTION to build more trust and mutual respect.
- USE ALTERNATIVES to punishments and rewards

**Let's get together for this highly interactive workshop to connect,
exchange ideas & learn tools and strategies we can use right away!**



Vanessa Callaghan, MEd. is a proven educator known for her refreshingly honest, hands-on, and personal approach. She empowers parents struggling with their children's challenging behaviors to find the calm, confidence, and tools they need to build lifelong relationships based on love, respect, and appreciation. Learn more about Vanessa, her yearlong parent Immersion, and join her free parent Facebook Group for weekly trainings.



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YOU AND YOUR CHILD'S MONTESSORI EDUCATION: EARLY CHILDHOOD COURSE

We know learning happens both inside and outside the classroom. This early childhood course is designed for families interested in incorporating the Montessori philosophy into their day-to-day lives and parenting approach. By combining live experiences and self-guided study, participants will receive resources to enhance their child's education, deepen their Montessori knowledge, and learn how to apply Montessori principles at home.

Register at amshq.org/familycourse

Scan here



Course Details

- Designed for parents and guardians of children 2½ – 6 years old who are currently enrolled in Montessori school or are interested in learning about the philosophy
- 6 weeks of online, live sessions and self-guided study
- Time commitment of 1–2 hours per week
- Visit our website for upcoming course dates

DVMS Helping the Community



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❤️ Special thanks to ❤️
Diablo Valley Montessori!



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helpamotherout Thank you @dvmslafayette for bringing your community together and hosting another successful diaper drive! They collected 2,039 diapers, 1,607 wipes, formula, baby soap, and lotion for the families at @brighterbegin. These heartfelt donations mean the world to our families. We are beyond grateful to be a part of such a compassionate community!



Important Dates!



December 19 - December 23: Winter Break (No classes) for Buttercup and Preschool. Extended care for Preschool on a very limited basis.

December 23: DVMS Office closing at 1:30pm

December 25 - January 2: Winter Break for all classes and office. **DVMS Closed**

January 3, 2023: DVMS reopens

January 7: DVMS at the Golden State Warriors

January 12: 7pm Parent Education evening with Vanessa Callaghan "5 Kind and Clever Ways to Motivate Kids... without rewards and punishments"

January 16: Martin Luther King Jr. Day **DVMS Closed**

February 7: "What's Next for My Two-Year-Old?" Parent Education evening 6:00pm - 7:30pm at DVMS

February 17-February 20: Presidents' Day Holiday **DVMS Closed**

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