



DiabloValleyMontessoriSchool

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Summer at DVMS is off to a wonderful start! The warm weather is providing many opportunities for outdoor play, complete with misters and water. Children are excited to be back in their routine, complete with new jobs and outdoor activities.

Summer also presents the opportunity for work around campus. Thank you to all who volunteered to help replenish our sandboxes. If you are available on Monday, June 13th and want to join the work party, let Melissa (mbippart@dvms.org) know. In the coming weeks look for more sign up opportunities as we schedule painting and other maintenance projects.

Juneteenth is an official holiday this year for the DVMS community. We encourage you to learn more about this day in the attached issue of AMS Family Connections.

This summer the newsletters will be sent on a bi-weekly basis. If you have any questions at all, please let us know in the office.

Kind regards,
Jayne

COVID and Masking Update

During the month of May, DVMS experienced the most cases of COVID to date. Thankfully all cases were mild and everyone is back at DVMS! There have not been any new cases since the end of the school year to report.

With the good news of no new cases, Contra Costa Health closed the DVMS case file.

Effective June 10th, DVMS will be mask optional in both indoor and outdoor settings. Please understand that it is still strongly recommended for individuals to wear a proper fitting mask while in certain indoor environments, child care included. If there is another outbreak of COVID cases, we will revisit this decision.

As part of the DVMS community, we trust that all families follow the health policy. Keeping the children and staff healthy allows us to serve everyone. If your child is experiencing any signs of illness, please keep them home to rest. If anyone in your household tests positive for COVID-19, notify DVMS immediately.

Suzette's Musical Playground

In the summer of 2021 Suzette Smith retired after 43 years of serving children and families as a teacher and Head of School. To honor her, DVMS launched the Suzette Smith Giving Challenge. All funds collected were used to refresh and create a beautiful new space, one where the children's laughter and the chimes of the flowers fill the air with music.

Over the past few months, the beloved cabin climbing structure was taken down, refinished and rebuilt. Four musical flowers were placed around the perimeter of the area. The children absolutely LOVE playing here.

Last week the final touch was completed for this very special project - a handmade sign. Yesterday Suzette visited us and saw the real reason for the play space's upgrade - her! She was truly delighted.

Thank you to all who donated to the Giving Challenge, Ashby Lumber who provided the lumber, and Jack Armendariz, who made this vision a reality.



Important Dates!



June 20: Juneteenth DVMS Closed

July 4: Independence Day DVMS Closed

July 29: Last day of summer sessions

August 1-8: Teacher Work Days No Classes

August 9: First Day of School 2022-2023

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