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Burlingame Montessori

He who is served is limited in his independence -Maria Montessori

Dear Parents,

January has truly flown by! The children had fun with their cultural study of South America. They enjoyed many cultural snacks and learned about the continent's cultural geography. During February, we will continue our study of South America, focusing on the geography, flags, animals and foods. We will begin learning about mammals and parts of the flowers. Through our Peace curriculum, we will continue fostering a sense of community within our classrooms and learning about what community means outside the classroom. We will be learning about different types of community helpers such as the police, firemen and nurses.

For Valentine's Day, the children will participate in a Valentine's exchange and Valentine's Day party.

Valentine's Day

We will have our Valentine's parties on February 13th and 14th. The children will be exchanging valentines. We encourage your child to bring simple homemade or store-bought valentine card signed with his or her name. Please leave the cards "unaddressed" for ease of distribution.



As this is your child's activity, it would be nice to have him/ her sign the cards. Every child is at different stage of writing, so please gauge your child's ability. Some may be able to sign their name, others may need to trace, and for some, scribbling on the card may be sufficient with their name printed. As a suggestion, plan on having them write their name only 3-4 cards at a time, spreading the activity through a few days. This way, the experience of writing together will be pleasurable activity for the family.

Please check the bulletin board for the signup sheet for party snacks.





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February	March	April
8 Friday Applications for summer 2019 & SY 2019-2020 due	1 Friday Financial agreements for summer 2019 & SY 2019-2020 sent home	1-5 Monday-Friday Spring Recess SCHOOL CLOSED
13-14 Wednesday and Thursday Valentine's Day Party (Wed) 9:00am & 2:30pm (Thurs) 9:00am	14-15 Thursday and Friday St. Patrick's Day Celebration (Thurs) 9:00am (Fri) 9:00am & 2:30pm	8 Monday Back to school from Spring Recess REGULAR SCHEDULE
18-22 Mon-Fri President's Holiday SCHOOL CLOSED	15 Friday Financial agreements for summer 2019 & SY 2019-2020 due	18-19 Thursday and Friday Easter Egg Hunt (Thurs) 10:30am (Fri) 10:30am, 2:30pm
		25-26 Thursday and Friday Parent Teacher Conferences SCHOOL CLOSED

Applications due for Summer 2019 and SY 2019-2020

The summer and fall applications are due by Friday, February 8th. Please fill out each area of the registration forms and choose your class preference carefully. Kindly return the application forms and fees directly to the school. Your applications will be processed in the order in which they are received. If your application forms are received after February 8th, we cannot guarantee that you will receive your first choice in schedule. We will be sending out your summer and fall tuition agreements on Friday, March 1st. Below is a timeline of tuition payments for summer 2019 and the 2019-2020 school year:

Feb 8- Summer & fall application forms & registration fees due

March I - Summer and fall financial agreements sent home

March 15 - June 2020 tuition deposits and financial agreements due

May I - Final tuition payment due for the 2018-2019 school year

June 1 - Summer 2019 tuition due (Summer Session: Jun 24 - Aug 2)

Sept 1 - September 2019 tuition due (First Day of the SY 2019-20: Sept 3)

February Curriculum

- Geography South America and Gulf & Peninsula
- Zoology Mammals
- Botany Parts & function of the flower
- **Special Topics** Community Helpers
- Peace Community Awareness
- Seasons Winter
- Artist Camille Pissarro
- Holidays Valentine's Day and President's Day

Sharing

Sharing items are accepted on Thursdays and Fridays. Please have your child bring an item that is related to our curriculum for the month. Items that will also be welcome for sharing are your child's artwork, books, special photos or special items from vacations or events!



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Special Thanks to our January Volunteers!!!







Abbie (Audrey's mom)







Arjun (Reva's dad)







Emmy (Bryn's grandma)

AND all the parents who contributed snacks!!!

Ana (Alex's mom), Rachel (Jack's mom), Vi (Kian's mom), Melissa (Orion's mom), Colin and Evyn (Bryn's parents)