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Burlingame Montessori

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



Dear Parents,

We hope you have been enjoying the holidays with your families and wish you all a happy and healthy new year! We appreciate that so many of you were able to attend our Winter Performance! It was a wonderful turnout, and we were more than pleased with your children's performances! We loved having the opportunity to invite you into the school and share the hard work that your children put into both singing and creating our holiday decorations. Thank you to those parents who brought food and drink to share at the celebration, we had an impressive amount of delicious food! A SPECIAL THANK YOU Colin McLeod, Bryn's dad, and Patrick Brown, Sofie's and Lily's dad, for playing Santa for the children!!



THANK YOU!

Thank you for your donations to the Samaritan House! Burlingame Montessori collected one full box of new toys for the Samaritan House of San Mateo, thank you all for your generosity and giving spirit!

Montessori Peace Education

This month includes Martin Luther King Jr Day on January 21st. Through our Montessori Peace Education, the teachers use this day as an opportunity to emphasize and celebrate peace, diversity and kindness within our school. Our goal is to bring peace to your home as well as our community.

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January Curriculum

- Geography South America and. Strait & Isthmus
- Zoology Amphibians
- **Botany** Parts & function of the leaf
- **Special Topics** Community Helpers
- **Peace** Community Awareness
- Seasons Winter
- Artist Renoir
- Holidays Martin Luther King Jr. 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!

January	February	March
7 Monday First day of the spring semester REGULAR SCHEDULE	8 Friday Applications for summer 2019 & SY 2019-2020 due	1 Friday Financial agreements for summer 2019 & SY 2019-2020 sent home
21 Monday Martin Luther King Jr. Day 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
25 Friday Applications for summer 2019 & SY 2019-2020 sent home	18-22 Mon-Fri President's Holiday SCHOOL CLOSED	15 Friday Financial agreements for summer 2019 & SY 2019-2020 due

Mystery Readers and Volunteers:

We begin the new year with a two month study of the continent of South America, focusing on its people, food, clothing, and traditions. We welcome parents to come share their cultural knowledge of the continent with the children. Here are the links for our cultural snack sign up and mystery reader/activity sign up:

https://docs.google.com/document/Cultural Snack Sign-Up

<u>https://docs.google.com/document/Mystery Reader Sign-Up</u>



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Special Thanks to our December Volunteers!!!





Chitra (Reva's mom)



David (Eleanor's dad)



Evyn (Bryn's mom)



AND all the parents who contributed snacks!!!

Christina (Emilia's mom), Karin (Cameron's mom), Alex (Cassidy's mom), Regina (Sofia's mom), Abbie (Audrey's mom), Vanessa (Alvy's mom), and Christine (Sofie's and Lily's mom)

& WINTER PERFORMANCE REFRESHMENTS &

Melissa (Orion's mom), Karin (Cameron's mom), Alex (Cassidy's mom), Shveta (Lara's mom), Evyn (Bryn's mom), Tiffany (Reese's mom), Abbie (Audrey's mom), Ana (Alex's mom), Jaime (Charlie's mom), Regina (Sofia's mom), Yasmin (Naomi's mom), Christina (Alex's mom), Nadia (Sean's and Isla's mom), Lindsey (Chloe's mom) and Rachel (Jack's mom)