



NEWSLETTER APRIL 2017



School Calendar

- April 1 Tuition Payment Due
- April 4 Board of Directors Mtg. 7:00 PM
- April 7 Sharing Day
- April 10-14 Spring Recess - School Closed
- April Villa Mothers Come to School
- April 28 Father's Day Event & Science Fair

Villa Announcements

The Board of Directors has set **tuition rates** and snack and materials fees for the **2017-2018 academic year**:

Half Day Program	\$ 775
School Day Program	\$ 1,550
Snack & Materials (half day)	\$ 250
Snack & Materials (School day)	\$ 350

Reminders

The Church has asked us to remind all parents and visitors to **please enter and exit the driveway closest to De Anza Blvd on the Villa side of campus**. When coming from Stelling Road, it is the second entrance. From De Anza Blvd, it is the first entrance. **Please park in the designated Villa area ONLY**. These are the spaces closest to our play structure.

Before you sign in and out, please check that you are signing for the correct child. Use only the spaces next to **your** child's name please!



Returning Students

Fall 2017 Registration packets will be sent home after the spring recess. Please complete all registration forms and return them as well as related fees and deposits on or before Friday, May 6th or your child's space will go to

the next person on our waiting list. If you have received a packet and your plans have changed, please let us know so that we can remove your child from the roster. Thank you for your cooperation.

Take Your Mother to School

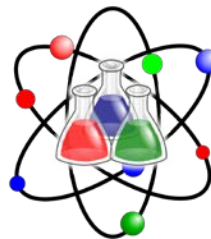
We invite mothers of Villa Montessori into the classroom throughout the month of April (Except April 28th). Mothers, please reserve a date and time to visit your child's classroom and participate in work time and a small art project together with your child. You may send an email request to admin@villamontessori.net with 2-3 date choices.



The assigned times are as follows:

- AM: 10:40 AM-11:40 AM
- PM: 1:30 AM-2:30 PM

This special visit to the classroom is designed for mother and child only. Please make other childcare arrangements for siblings. You may take photos of only your child during this visit. *Due to privacy, please do not take photos of other children.*



Father's Day at Villa Montessori

We will be celebrating fathers of Villa Montessori on Friday, April 28, 2017.

- AM Class** - Dads arrive 11AM
- PM & School Day** – Dads arrive at 3PM

During this event, the children will have the opportunity to attend the Villa Science Fair.

This special visit to the classroom and science fair is designed for father and child only. Please make other childcare arrangements for siblings. You may take photos of only your child during this visit. *Due to privacy, please do not take photos of other children.*

End of the Year Family School Picnic



Save the Date! Our annual end of the year family school picnic will be held on Friday, June 2, 2017, at a nearby park. On this day only, the AM and PM and school day sessions will attend at the same time from 9AM-12PM.

We will meet at a local park (Location TBA at a later date) and dismiss from there. You will sign your child in and out from the park. There will be no school after 12PM .

Please bring a sack lunch for you and your child and a picnic blanket. Parents are encouraged to attend and spend time with other Villa students and their families.

Parent Volunteer Hours

Thank you to those of you who have volunteered at Villa. For those families who still have hours to complete, there will be another opportunity to complete your volunteer hours on Saturday, June 10, 2017, for our annual Parent Clean-Up Day. This year we will be washing the Montessori materials and cleaning the classrooms and kitchen/storage area. Work will begin at **8AM** and continue until we are finished.



If you would like to know how many hours you have outstanding, please see Mrs. Taam in the office. If you are unable to complete your hours, you may buy out your hours at \$50/hour. Thank you for your cooperation.



Teacher's Corner

Room 1 - AM Class

During the month of April, the Room 1 children will continue finish learning about the last continent: Australia. Children will explore more things about Australia; most kids will make their continent map.

The morning class will also discuss the life cycle of the chicken and the egg. The children will see different kinds of eggs (chicken, duck, and quail) and we will look inside to see similarities and differences. And also we will introduce the life cycle of the frog.



Room 1 – PM Class



Since April 22nd is Earth Day, we will discuss ways to take care of our “blue planet”. We will show the children how to sort items that can be reused/recycled/reduced. They will also learn the importance of taking care of the earth.

Room 2

During the month of April, Room 2 children will finish learning all the seven continents, and they will learn to begin to distinguish living from non-living things.



Next, we will discuss the life cycle of the chicken and the egg. The children will see different kinds of eggs, such as chicken eggs, duck eggs, and quail eggs. We will look inside each egg to observe similarities and differences. At the end of the month, the children will study the life cycle of the frog. The children will be able to observe tadpoles and learn about their metamorphosis into a frog.

April 22 is Earth Day. We will talk about the 3Rs (Recycle, Reuse, and Reduce) and how to take care of our planet Earth.



The Board voted unanimously to approve the 2017-2018 budget for the school year. Many factors were considered in setting the tuition rates including increasing costs for rent, utilities, and personnel. The Board evaluated the quality of our programs, staff credentials, low student-teacher ratio, hours we serve the community as well as our competitor's rates and programs.

The Board also voted to retain Beacon Pointe Advisors to develop the school's investment strategy policy with the goal of safeguarding and growing the school's investments. The Company will also manage the school's invested funds.

You may reach the Board of Directors at:
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From all of us at Villa,
have a wonderful
spring recess!