

NEWSLETTER MARCH 2017

School Calendar

Mar 1	Tuition Payment Due
Mar 3	Sharing Day
Mar 7	Board of Directors Mtg. 7:30 PM
Mar 6	Teacher In-Service Day (school closed)
Mar 11	Campus Work Day – Parent Participation Opportunity



Important Reminders

Please return your enrollment forms for next year to secure your child's space on the fall roster. If we do not hear from you, we will assume you are not returning, and we will give your child's space to the next person on our waiting list.



Please do not allow your children to play on the Villa playground during non-school hours. We share the

playground with other programs at this facility and need to follow the terms of our

lease with respect to playground time. We really appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Please leave campus once you sign your child out and continue playing at a nearby park. Jollyman Park on Stelling or Memorial Park on Stevens Creek are all alternative areas to have play dates.



2017-2018 Admissions

In April we will be sending enrollment packets home with students **returning** to

Villa in the fall. Please be sure to submit your forms as soon as possible. The deposit for June 2018 and snack and materials fee will be due by April 28, 2017.

Take Your Mother to School

We invite mothers of Villa Montessori into the classroom throughout the month of April to spend time with your child(ren) during a class time of your

choice. You may arrive with your child and stay for one hour. Visits with your child will take place from April 1-28, 2017 (Except for the following dates: April 10-14).

In order to accommodate moms in each classroom, please reserve your space by sending an email to Mrs. Taam at admin@villamontessori.net. Please list your first and second choices.



Thank you to those who have purchased items through Amazon.com using the Villa portal. We continue to receive monthly rebate checks from purchases you have made on Amazon.com. Once again the portal is:

<http://astore.amazon.com/villamontessori-20>

To purchase items through our portal, click on the Powered by Amazon button in the upper left hand corner of the web page and proceed to shop as you normally do. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Leung or Mrs. Taam.



Science
Fair!

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The Science Fair date has been moved to April 28, 2017 to coincide with Father's Day at Villa. The Science Fair has many opportunities to fulfill your parent participation hours. We are looking for parents to help create the exhibits, set up, clean up and for Moms to be present at the fair to assist students with each exhibit while students and their Dads attend the fair.

Please see Mrs. Leung for more details on how you can help and also fulfill your hours. You can send her an email at Estella.Leung@villamontessori.net if you are unable to speak with her at drop off or pick up.

School Photos

You will be able to view and purchase your child's school portraits online. Once we receive your child's individual code from the photographer, we will send it home with them.

Campus Work Day

On March 11, 2017, our tenant, New Life Church of Cupertino will hold the second campus work day of the year. This will be an opportunity to fulfill two hours of your parent participation hours. Watch for the sign up sheet sent by the room parents or feel free to stop by the office to sign up. We are allotting at least two hours per family. The work day begins at 8AM-12PM.



Teacher's Corner

Thank you for all the special Valentines and Chinese New Year treats we received this past February. We were overwhelmed with all the sweets and thoughtfulness.

Room 1 – AM Class

During the month of March children in Room 1 will be introduced to the continents: North America, South America, Antarctica, Africa, and Europe. The goal of these lessons is to have the students recognize the names and shapes of the continents and the Montessori color associated with each continent as well as some aspects of different culture, i.e. countries, people, languages, animals, etc.

On March 2nd, two parents from Room 1 will share with us Doll's Day or Girl's Day which is a special day in Japan. They will also bring some art project for the class.

Room 1 – PM Class

In the month of March children will continue to finish the topic on measuring using tape and scale. We will also introduce some science lessons on solid, liquid, and gas to the class. Children will have the opportunity to explore these topics with different tools and experiments.

A big thank you to Mrs. S. for coming to the class last month to teach the children how to use clay for different art projects.

Room 2

During the month of March, Room 2 children will continue learning about the continents of North and South America, Africa, Europe, Antarctica and Australia. We will identify the shape and position of each continent on the Earth. We will also discuss the people, animals, languages, landmarks, and biomes/weather of each continent. Some children will make their own map.

In mid-March, children will sing songs based on nursery rhymes and use the language "more", "less", "same", "equal", "increase", and "decrease" in our daily conversation to strengthen their number sense.

Board
of
Directors



Corner

February Board of Director Meeting Highlights:

The budget committee will meet in late February to prepare the budget for 2017-2018 school year for presentation to the full board at the March 2017 Board meeting.

The Board discussed further the need for an investment strategy and policy and are looking into ways to safeguard and grow the school's investments. Villa's Comptroller, Treasurer, and Office Manager will meet with Charles Schwab and Beacon Pointe Advisors in March to start this process.

Please wear **Green** on March 17th!

You may reach the Board of Directors at:
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