



March 2018 Newsletter Hello Villa from Mrs. Sunder



Dear Villa Families,

We are marching into our final trimester of the school year! March is filled with multicultural events at Villa! We embrace and honor the rich diversity in our community! Thank you to all the families that shared stories and hands on projects portraying rich cultures around the globe last month. Young minds were filled with lessons of tolerance and acceptance. Upcoming events include Japanese “Doll Day” and Persian New Year!



Villa portrait day was a big hit with the siblings sharing smiles together! Your unique online viewing id will be sent to you in couple of weeks. You may view your child’s portraits online and place order directly on the website. For class composite photos you must place orders at the school office. We will send more details on the ordering process soon.

Portrait Viewing Day – March 1st Thursday at 8:30 am-10 am. If you need extra time to view please arrive by 8:30 am. You can view portraits and place orders on site.

Yoga is stretching our minds and bodies at Villa! Mika’s mother is an exceptional yoga teacher who is able to captivate our children’s attention in perfect yoga poses! Thank you and Namaste, Yoshida san!



We are lucky to have such wonderful parent volunteers sharing their talents with our children!

School Updates:

The Villa parent board conducted the annual budget review meeting recently. Board will vote on the **budget for next school year** during the March board meeting on Wednesday at 7:30pm.

Initial **enrollment analysis** for next school year is now complete. After consolidation of available open spaces, we will send out the confirmation of your application status via email.

Parent Participation Hours Policy: In last month’s board meeting, the directors unanimously voted to prorate the hours required by families who join Villa in the middle of a school year. For instance, if the child joins Villa in January the family completes only six hours of parent participation instead of ten hours. One hour/month at school and not uniformly for ten hours.

Montessori Compass update: We are planning to wind down online reporting sessions. Two more reports will be sent before May parent teacher conferences, one on 23rd March and last one on May 11th. Please download your child’s pictures if you plan to save them for future viewing.

Important Reminders:



Tuition Due first of each month.

Sharing Day – every Friday. Please remember and mark this on your calendar and help children get something to share in class.

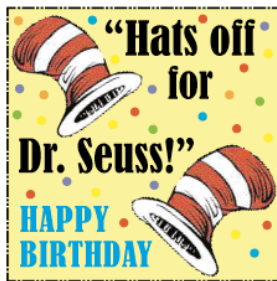
Label EVERYTHING!!! – Teachers are again requesting you to label all items sent to school. Jackets, spare set of clothes, sweaters, vests, and lunch bag, backpacks! EVERYTHING!

SLOW DOWN in the parking lot. **Parking:** Please drive your car all the way down to the corner of the road and park. There are empty spots near the playground area where it will be easier to walk your child safely without having to cross the road.

Weather is changing! Rainy, sunny, cold and hot days are mixed in! Please remember to send extra layering for your child to wear during outside play. Label every piece! Use boots and rain coats to keep them dry from rain, and remember to take back the umbrellas you bring to school. We now have two nameless umbrellas at Villa! All jackets and extra clothing without names and those that have not been claimed will be donated to Good Will.

Upcoming Events:

March 1st and 2nd HinaMatsuri Day at Villa. It is the Japanese Girls Day, Doll Day celebrations. Parents of Mie, Tomonori, Linon, Kanta and Reina will present the Doll's Day story and share a rice



treat with children. Ingredients for the treat item will be sent via email separately, please review and let us know if there are any allergy concerns we must be aware of. NOTE: Children will bring the treat home and will not eat it at school.

If **Dr. Seuss** had lived now he would be 114 years old on March 2nd! Take your child to library and enjoy reading Dr. Seuss classics together! Our family's

favorite is Green Eggs and Ham!



March 10th. Campus work day at the New Life Church. Please visit <https://www.nlnc.org/events/> for more details. If you want to help and earn volunteer hours, please ask for Pastor Chris Hoch when you arrive, introduce yourself as a Villa parent, he will hand you an attendance sheet for you to sign in. Once you complete your volunteering work remember to sign out. We will collect the hours from pastor and give you credits.



March 11th – Daylight savings time begins! We will spring forward an hour, so remember to set the clocks and get to bed early!

Week of March 20th -Spring equinox and Persian New year begins! Emma's father will present a cultural project and share the stories from his native land.



March 30 Fri – Villa will have its annual Egg Hunt fun adventure for children. During outdoor recess time children will go on an egg hunt! No need to send anything from home.

SAVE THE DATE: April 27th Family Day at Villa! 9:45 am -10:45 am Magic Show is arranged to entertain the Villa families in celebration of Father's and Mother's Day! This is a new event organized by teachers for children. The magic show will be a family event. Both PM and AM session children will attend with parents and will get to do a hands-on project together.

Mark your calendar! END OF SCHOOL YEAR CLEAN UP
We will need **at least twenty to twenty-five parents** on June 9th Saturday for our end of school year clean up. Please save some parent participation hours and help us during the most crucial time of need. Thank you!

We wish you Good Luck and Good Reads!

From all of us at Villa!

