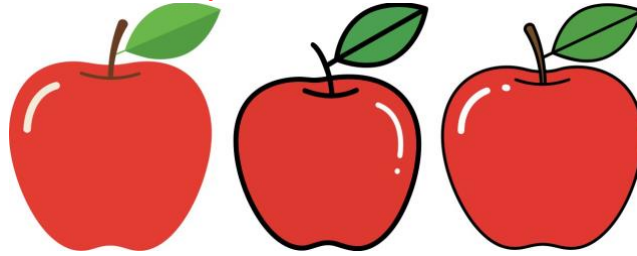


SVMA September Newsletter



We enjoyed a smooth back-to-school transition. Returning students quickly settled into the routine and new students are adjusting to preschool life.

September's theme is **Family, Friends & Me**, which promotes the individual child and establishing a sense of community. Children will practice taking turns, sharing and saying "please and thank you." Routine hand washing/sanitizing, using tissues for clean noses and coughing into the bent arm will be reinforced.

Thank you for your patience during carline. To expedite arrival, a teacher removes your child from the car. During dismissal, parents with one child should remain in the car. Staff members are happy to secure children into car seats. It is anticipated that dismissal time will improve with the introduction of name cards displayed in the car window and enrichment classes.

Over the summer, a few families relocated, which has opened up space for new students and siblings to join us now or at midyear. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please help us spread the good news!

Upcoming Events and Reminders

Sports & Games and Outdoor Play

Students participate in daily sports & games and outdoor play. Please send your child in closed toe shoes for safety and optimal participation.

Monday, September 8 - Early Bird begins

Students participating in the Early Bird program may enter from 8:15 to 8:50 a.m. Parents ring the bell for entry. We offer Early Bird drop-in. The fee is \$20.00 per morning and must be paid upon arrival.

Monday, September 8 - Enrichment begins

It is not too late to sign up. This is a great opportunity for little ones to build their socialization skills and talents. Lots of fun too! We offer Enrichment Drop-In if there is space. The fee is \$50.00 and we request 24hr notice. As a reminder, Enrichment students BYOL - Bring Your Own Lunch (with drink). Please label your lunch box and water bottle. Foods containing peanuts or tree nuts of any kind are not allowed, including peanut butter. Check ingredients on packaged items to ensure that they are nut-free and made in a nut-free environment without exposure to peanut or nut dust.

Monday, September 8

SVMA Soccer Begins at Westmoreland Paark

Popsicles In The Park - 4:00 - Westmoreland Park

Thursday, September 17 – 7:00 – Sunflower Parent Meeting with Mr. Lewisem

First Week In October

Student Portraits

SMILE! Your child's picture day will be assigned closer to the date.

Friday, October 17**Parent & Teacher Cocktail Social 6:00 to 8:00****Location: Spring Valley Montessori Academy Play Area**

If you cannot secure a babysitter, consider having one parent attend. It is a fun event and wonderful community builder.

Supplies/Activity Fee

If you have not done so already, please submit your \$100.00 supplies/activity fee.

Parent Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteer opportunities, a sign-up form will be sent in totes this week.

SVMA Email List

Let us know if there is someone you would like to add/remove to our SVMA distribution list.

Student Directory

We are in the process of finalizing the directory. If you have not done so already, please submit your directory information.

As always, we thank you for your continued support and look forward to a wonderful year!

Christine Lonergan and the SVMA Team