



Lake Mary Montessori Academy Fall 2011

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No act of kindness, no matter how small,
is ever wasted.

~ Aesop, *The Lion and the Mouse*



Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that our summer break is over and we are back to school already. We hope you had a wonderful break and look forward to hearing about your adventures over the summer.

Our LMMA faculty, staff, administration and consulting crew were very busy preparing the campus during pre-planning. There was not one shelf or inch of flooring that was not touched. Many hours went toward curriculum planning and material making. We are so proud of our teachers and the pride that they have for our school, families and children.

Orientations were lovely. As always, it was wonderful to see all the children and families. We are also very excited and extend a warm welcome our new friends and families.

This fall, our traditional focus will be on the Annual Fund. The teachers have decided the fund will be separated into two parts; primary and elementary. The primary playground areas will be redesigned with new equipment and play areas, along with a comprehensive "no bug" plan and insect prevention program. The elementary will focus on the "History Curriculum", new picnic tables and swings for the playground. More information will be available soon!

*With Friendship,
Sheila and Scott Linville*

WANTED!



**Yoga Parent to
practice with our
children...**

**Please contact
Jodie if you are
interested.**

Back to School Night

Required for All Primary and New Families
(Both Parents)
Thursday, September 22nd
6:00-7:00 p.m.



- Parent Volunteer Opportunities
- Montessori Philosophy
- The Journey Curriculum
- Annual Fund
- Field Trips
- Parent Workshops

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Elementary News

Dates to Remember

SEPTEMBER

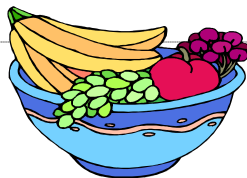
- 9/2 PVO Training 2-3:00 p.m.
9/5 School Closed / Holiday
9/7 International Day
Committee Meeting 2-3:00 p.m.
9/15 New Families Coffee 8:30-9:30 a.m.
9/21 First Grade "What to Expect" 8:15-9:00 a.m.

OCTOBER

- 10/5 Field Day Committee Meeting 2-3:00 p.m.
10/6-10 Fall Break
10/13 Elementary "Family Style" Lunch
10/15 The Elementary Expedition Curriculum
Saturday 1:00-3:30 p.m.
10/24 International Day
10/27 Bagels and Coffee
10/31 Historical Presentations

NOVEMBER

- 11/5 PVO Saturday Training 9-10:00 a.m.
11/5 Lend-a-Hand Saturday - 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
11/7&8 Parent Teacher Conferences / School Closed
11/12 Field Day 10:00-11:30 p.m.
11/23-25 Thanksgiving Break / School Closed



Snack Calendars

Remember to visit the school website for updates and information, including the snack calendars.

Reminders will be emailed monthly!

www.lmma.net

Classroom Newsletters

Individual classroom newsletters will begin in September. Your feedback is always welcome!

WANTED

Elementary Classroom Newsletter Editors

If you are interested in spending some time with the upper and / or lower elementary students please let us know.

PVO paperwork will need to be on file.

Please contact Jodie at

Jodiemma@aol.com

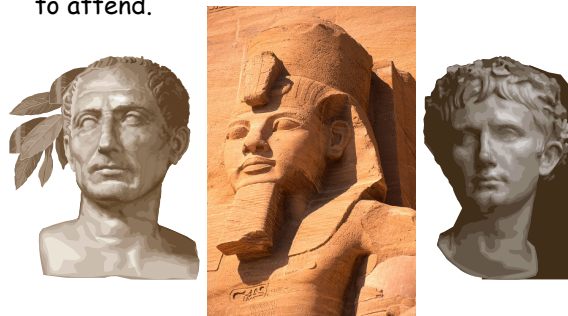
Historical Presentations

1st, 2nd, & 3rd Grades

Monday, October 31st

VanGogh and DaVinci Classrooms

Students should come to school ready for their presentations. Parents are encouraged to attend.



Email Addresses

Teachers

Barry Barry@lmma.net
DaVinci DaVinci@lmma.net
Van Gogh Vangogh@lmma.net

Enrichment Teachers

Art Art@lmma.net
Music Music@lmma.net
P.E. PE@lmma.net
Spanish Spanish@lmma.net

Teachers will review e-mail daily.

Primary News

Dates to Remember

SEPTEMBER

- 9/2 PVO Training 2-3:00 p.m.
9/5 School Closed / Holiday
9/7 International Day
Committee Meeting 2-3:00 p.m.
9/7 1st Full Day for New Students
9/15 New Families Coffee 8:30-9:30 a.m.
9/22 Back to School Night 6 - 7:00 p.m.

OCTOBER

- 10/5 Field Day Committee Meeting 2-3:00 p.m.
10/6-10 Fall Break
10/15 The Journey Curriculum
Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
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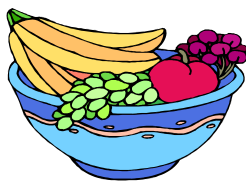
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Snacks

One day a month each child will take the snack bag home. Please return the bag the next day with snack for the class. A snack calendar for each class will be available on the school website - www.LMMA.net.

Please provide a snack and a gallon of water. Please include snack for two teachers as well as an extra in case of an accident.



Parent Educational Workshops



"Nurturing Your Child's Reading Development"

Thursday, September 29th

8:45-9:45 a.m.



"Independence: Montessori In The Home"

Thursday, November 17th

8:45-9:45 a.m.

(More info coming soon)

October is Pet Month!



Lions and tigers and bears, Oh my! Well maybe cats, dogs, fish and more... Sign up with your child's teacher to bring your pet to school. Plan to share at arrival or dismissal. We look forward to seeing you and your pet!

Teacher E-mail Addresses

Pollock: pollock@lmma.net

O'Keeffe: okeeffe@lmma.net

Matisse: matisse@lmma.net

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This and That

Trash Free Lunches

Lake Mary Montessori Academy is focusing our efforts on becoming more environmentally friendly. We have already begun recycling rain water, and we have added recycling cardboard and paper here at the school. This program will complement our science and nature curriculum as well as the peace curriculum. Lunch is our largest trash generating activity here at the school creating a very large amount of environmental and food waste.

We will do our part
If you have any suggestions please email Jodiemma@aol.com

Water Bottles are available at LMMA for \$8.00



BABYSITTER

Please let us know if you have a sitter or nanny that you would like to recommend. We have LMMA families that are looking!

Thanks!

Teachers



Mrs. Amoroso



Mrs. Martinous



Ms. Stiers



Mrs. Wilson



Mrs. Liuzzi



Mrs. Simpson



Mrs. Sienkiewicz



Mrs. Daly



Ms. Pratt



Mrs. Gonzalez

Our Year At A Glance - PVO NEWS

Dear Families,

I am looking forward to working with you and cannot express enough how thankful I am to have a community of families that not only support our school, but also enjoy and embrace the parent volunteer organization.

Unlike a PTA, we do not ask for your monetary contributions, rather your time volunteering. I can honestly say that your children are benefiting from this far greater than writing a check. They see you and the importance of sharing your time with our community.

There are many opportunities this year to help with. Please check the website for more information. You can also download the forms for background checks. Please be sure to attend the training. It is quick and informative and also fun to meet one another.

With this said, again, thank you from all of us at LMMA. Our goal is to have 100% participation!

With Friendship,

Jodie Meli

Jodiemma@aol.com



NEEDED COMMITTEE HELPERS

Lend-a-Hand Field Day Birthday/Art Show Hospitality Recycling
Scholastic Book Fair Campus Gardening International Day Parent Readers

PVO TRAINING

Saturday, November 5th 9-10:00

Chess Master David Escue



This is a picture of David Escue, Barry Class, playing chess in New York City. He thought it was really fun. The guy in the picture was named John. He is a Grand Master in chess. He sits in Union Square playing chess all day. A bunch of people pay him money to play chess with him. While you play him, he also teaches you a lesson in chess.

By. David Escue

Office News



Communication Routine and Emergency

ALERT NOW is a rapid notification service that LMMA uses to notify parents of an emergency (i.e. early dismissal due to weather) or to send a routine reminder by email. If an emergency occurs during school hours and immediate action needs to be taken to close the school, telephone calls are placed. Please ensure all telephone numbers are current by updating your child's record.

ILLNESS POLICY

For your child's welfare and that of the other children and teacher(s), children will not be allowed to attend school with the following symptoms:

- ⇒ Yellow/Green nasal discharge.
- ⇒ A cough.
- ⇒ A fever. The child must stay at home for 2 days.
- ⇒ Diarrhea or loose bowels.
- ⇒ Vomiting.
- ⇒ Contagious illness (i.e. conjunctivitis, flu, chicken pox, impetigo)
- ⇒ Head lice - until treatment is performed and all nits are removed (Treatment information is available in the school office)

Please be sure your child is picked up within 20-30 minutes after the teacher has called to inform you of your child's illness.

Note

A doctor's note may be required to admit the child back into school for some illnesses.

All rashes must have a note from the doctor.

If your child has had a flu shot, please let your teacher or the office know so we can keep a record. Please keep the office informed of any changes in your phone numbers.

Community Contacts

Administration

Founder and Executive Director	Sheila Linville	407-324-2304	smlinville@lmma.net
Founder and Executive Director / Business	Scott Linville	407-324-2304	greatscott65@aol.com
Administrative Assistant	Lorraine Chmura	407-324-2304	lchmura@lmma.net
Primary School Coordinator	Liz Stiers	407-324-2304	Matisse@lmma.net
Parent Volunteer Coordinator	Jodie Meli	407-324-2304	JodieLmma@aol.com

Committee Volunteers

Annual Fund	Allan Von Dette	407-415-3216	allanv@embarqmail.com
Lend-a-Hand	Tina Dunlop	407-687-8418	pdunlop2@cfl.rr.com
Scholastic	Michele Franco	201-247-8822	carrotsslucky@hotmail.com
Box Tops	Michele Franco	201-247-8822	carrotsslucky@hotmail.com



MightyNest's Healthy Families Healthy Schools Program

Parents buy products for their family and home. MightyNest sells products for the family and home. Now your school can earn money when parents shop our huge selection of healthy, safe & non-toxic products.

What is the Healthy Families Healthy Schools Program?

- A way to raise additional school funds through common family purchases
- A learning resource for parents that makes it easy to keep up on the latest ways to create a healthy, safe & non-toxic home
- A way to encourage community among parents and families
- A program that aligns with existing wellness, waste free lunch and green programs at the school

How does it work?

- Schools will earn at least **10% back** on every order, **year round**
Drives that align with normal purchasing patterns will be held three to five times per year (Ex: Back to School) where schools will earn **15% back**
- Parents will have the opportunity to host **themed parties** to foster community building and education where schools will earn **15% back**
- Schools will have the option to purchase **products for resale** at a reduced price

Why will parents participate?

- It's natural - Families are already buying the products we sell
- It's helpful- A key component of this program is to be an educational resource for parents to learn and stay in the know about how to create healthy homes
- Its easy - Parents can shop whenever they want for whatever they want
- It feels good - Purchases help their children's school!