

The Villa Voice

September 2011



From the Desk of Margo O'Neill

I would like to begin by thanking all of you for your support and cooperation with our Professional Development Day on August 26. This gave us the opportunity to do additional training with the staff on some important issues such as our Emergency Response Plan and on how to administer an EpiPen® to students with severe, life-threatening allergies (as demonstrated by nurse/parent Carrie Jankowski). Although we never want to think that an emergency will happen, it makes all of us feel more confident and secure when trained on what to do should one occur.

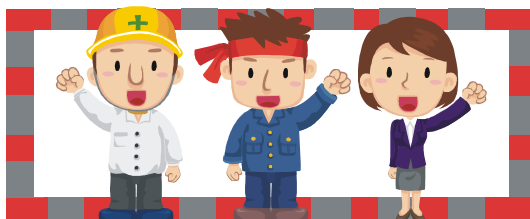
Regarding the Emergency Response Plan, we will have at least three drills this year so that we can all practice the procedures outlined in our plan. We will practice what to do in different scenarios involving either a lockdown or an evacuation. We will let you know when these drills are scheduled and will inform you what to do should (1) an emergency take place while you are on campus, or (2) if you arrive at school while we are in lockdown or evacuation mode.

One method of communication used at the school is called a K-12 Alert System. This is an automated parent notification system that contacts parents via telephone and email. In an effort to make sure you are receiving all necessary information, it is VERY IMPORTANT that you notify the main office should your email or telephone number change.

We had a nice turnout at the New Parent Meeting on August 31. My sincere thanks go to all of the parents who left the comforts of home to attend. One of the things we shared was a list of some amazing people who have attended Montessori schools: **Google founders Sergey Brin and Larry Page, Amazon's founder Jeff Bezos, Wikipedia's co-founder Jimmy Wales, chef Julia Child and rapper Sean "P Diddy" Combs.** Perhaps one day your child's name will be added to this list of famously innovative people!

Teachers have been sharing about some of the donations they have received from their parents. Whether it is a box of pencils or an iPad (yes, an iPad!), we cannot thank you enough for your kind generosity. We also deeply appreciate the donation of your time, skills and talents.

Thank you for entrusting your children with us. Have a safe Labor Day weekend.



IMPORTANT DATES

September 2nd
Early Dismissal for Weldon MS only at 11:30 am

September 5th
Labor Day
ALL SCHOOL CLOSED!

September 10th
MS Heroic Journey
Parent Meeting

September 19th
Rescheduled Hearing & Vision Testing for Kindergarten and Elementary 1

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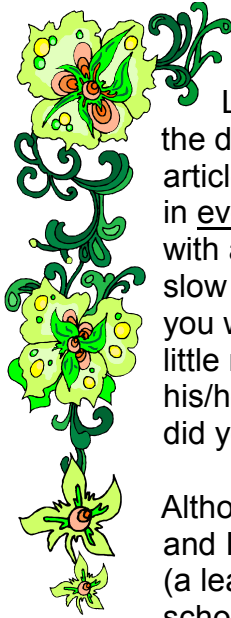
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Last year I spent several delightful hours observing in classrooms at the different levels and then sharing what I witnessed in my Villa Voice articles. I wished that I had been able to write about all my observations in every classroom at every level, but you would have been inundated with a deluge of articles. So my only option this year is again to take the slow but steady route and hopefully over the next three or four years you will have the opportunity to see your child's name in print and get a little more accurate picture of what "nothing" really means when that is his/her (mostly his) response to the proverbial parental question, "What did you do in school today?"

Although I don't start my formal observations until September, Margo and I drove up to Prescott last week to the Oak Campus's Ropes Course (a leadership, team-building experience) just to let those darling middle school students know how much we appreciate them as the "seasoned" role-models of our school.

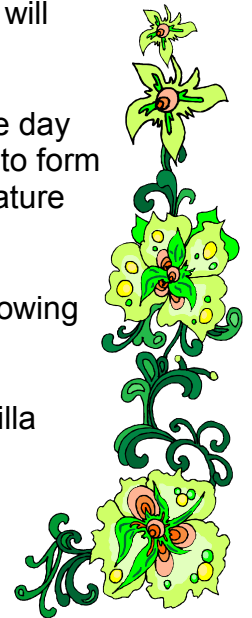
When we arrived a group was just completing a Trust Walk where one partner leads the other (who is blindfolded) on a walk through the woods and then down a steep hill. To learn how to trust and be trustworthy is something that will grow ever deeper throughout the year.

Margo and I read the list of agreements the students had created the day before...statements that they articulate and agree to live by in order to form the cohesive, supportive, interdependent community that is the signature feature of our middle school program.

As we drove home, both Margo and I felt inspired and committed knowing that we are involved in a great and holy work.

Be prepared to read about our amazing infant program in the next Villa Voice issue.

Mary Orlando, Assistant Head of School

**VILLA PACK 324 - CUB Scouts!****Cub Scouts is ON!**

Thursday, August 18th, was our first gathering at 6pm at Meadowbrook Campus. All boys from first grade to 5th grade are encouraged to come check us out! We have a blast!

Our first campout is in one week. We are off to O'Leary Campground near the lava tubes. Then get ready...next we are helping the community with our ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE! Bags will come home with Villa students to fill and return to Villa so we may collect and then donate to St. Mary's Food Bank.

"DO YOUR BEST" is the Scout motto - and we do!

Thanks- Jenna Haggard



Exceptional Student Services...

...Is happy to welcome Liz Parker-Johnson, Licensed Professional Counselor and National Certified Counselor, to Villa Montessori's Exceptional Student Services team. Liz has previous experience as a Montessori teacher, a public school prevention coordinator and as a counselor for children, families, individuals and groups. Please welcome Liz if you see her out and about!

Vision and Hearing screenings were conducted on August 24th for all students in Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, and 6th grades, students brand new to Villa and students in E.S.S. Remember, you will only be notified if your child fails one or both of the screenings. There will be a make up/rescreen day in late September or early October.

Our new technology is here! Thanks to the ARRA-IDEA grant, the E.S.S. teachers have been busy learning how to use the IPADs for teaching interventions, setting up computer software programs for intensive phonics, reading, comprehension, writing and editing. Villa has also invested in a research-based reading program—Treasures—for students who need some extra support in reading in the general education classroom.

Child Find Notice: Per federal law, all public agencies will ensure that all children with disabilities within the boundaries of the public agency, including children with disabilities who are homeless or wards of the State, and children with disabilities attending private schools or who are home schooled, and who are in need of special education and related services are identified, located and evaluated.

Villa Montessori Charter School includes Kindergarten through eighth grade. Parent(s) of a pre-primary, toddler or infant student will be provided information regarding early intervention programs for pre-school children and children birth-through-two-years of age as well as 24-48 months. If you have a child who might benefit from these services, please contact the main office at 602-955-2210.

We are looking forward to a truly awesome year!

Liza Prince

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Attention All Villa Girls

All Villa girls are invited to join Girl Scouting. There is a level for every age group:

Daisies - Kindergarten and 1st Grades

Brownies - 2nd and 3rd Grades

Juniors - 4th and 5th Grades

Cadettes - 6th, 7th and 8th Grades



In the past, Villa has had Girl Scouts at every level! The girls did all kinds of exciting things, including earning badges, roller skating, trips, service/volunteer projects, sold cookies and more! If you are interested in joining Girl Scouts, please contact Bobbi Jo Claywell at theclaywells@msn.com.

PARENTS:

The only way we can accommodate all the girls is if we have parent leaders. We have several troops in place, however we would really like to have several more. We can start new troops if we have parents who are willing to volunteer their time to be leaders. It is a great way to volunteer and to spend time with your daughter! Please contact Bobbi Jo Claywell if you are interested and you can get started right away! (Plus, if you are a leader, your daughter gets a guaranteed place in a troop, AND, pending the school's room availability, you get to decide when your troop meets!). Please email Bobbi Jo Claywell at theclaywells@msn.com to volunteer to become a leader today!



Infants & Toddlers News - by Jeni Johnson— September Greetings to you all!!!

We always look forward to September; it means we have almost made it through another summer and will get to really enjoy being outdoors again. I would like to share with you an excerpt from The Joyful Child regarding the young child from birth to age 3 regarding developing trust in the world and then developing trust in oneself. This is one of the most important stages in a child's life for developing trust and it is certainly something that we strive for in the Infant and Toddler rooms. Please enjoy reading the paragraphs below as we look forward to a wonderful school year building important relationships with you and your child.

Developing Trust in the World

It used to be generally agreed that babies were not aware, or that they had no memories of early life. Now we know that the strongest, deepest, and longest-lasting memories are formed at this time. It is common knowledge today that during the first months the child develops his basic attitude toward the world. As in our Infant Program the caregivers learn to listen to the sounds a baby makes, to watch quietly, to observe facial expressions and body movements, to see what the child is trying to tell us, and to get to know this unique human, giving the message that the child is cherished and the world is a safe place. As we get to know the infant and their uniqueness, the caregivers are able to respond gently to their needs, taking into account the infant's individual likes or dislikes, and communicating to the child that they will be there for them to provide for their needs with the utmost respect.

Developing Trust in Oneself

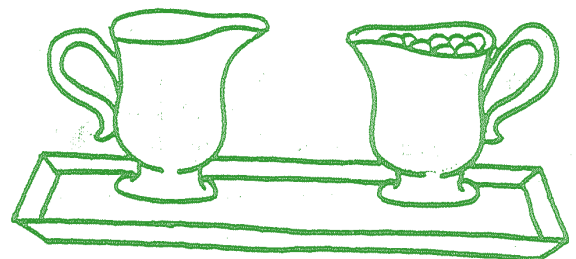
A young child develops trust in herself beginning in the first year of life as she interacts with the environment. She learns to move out into the world, to touch and grasp, through her own effort, those things she has been looking at and longing to reach. With the loving understanding help of adults and older children, and in an environment that meets her changing needs, she will learn that she is capable and strong, that her choices are wise, that she is indeed a fine person.

Preprimary News - by Sherra Sieben ~ The preprimary classrooms are all looking so great. We are all very excited to have new floors and have done some re-vamping in our Practical life area of the class. To help you as a parent of a preprimary child understand a little bit more about the classroom and the materials I will be giving a very detailed description of one piece of material that each and every child works with at this age. I know it is difficult to get any kind of information out of your child at this stage, so hopefully these will help a little. We all look forward to another great year of working with you and your child together at Villa.

POURING— I can pour solids from one pitcher to another. I try to be very careful to keep all the solids in the pitcher. I am learning to be neat. I am learning coordination, order and concentration. I am also learning about space relationships, size and volume. After I can pour solids, I will pour water. Then I can serve my own juice or serve others. I work on variations of pouring all year.

These are the steps:

1. Pouring solids - big to little beans, corn, rice
2. Pouring liquids - water, juice
3. Pouring into pitchers the same size to pouring into smaller and smaller containers
4. Pouring equal amounts into 3 or more containers
5. Pouring through funnels
6. Using a ladle to serve punch



Elementary 1 News — by Patty Langhurst

WELCOME BACK! We hope you had a wonderful summer. The E1 teachers have been very busy acclimating your child to their classroom. We are doing assessments and figuring out where each child belongs academically and making sure each child feels safe and cared about. Montessori schooling is such a wonderful method. Maria Montessori viewed the child as this deeply creative being who essentially constructs him or herself; she saw the primary purpose of education to be the aiding of the full flourishing of this unique life. Specifically the way we do this is to place the child in a rich environment that meets his or her developmental needs and then lets the child choose what those natural inner urges drive him or her to pursue. We invite you to observe the class after October 1st. Please let the office know when you would like to come in.

Elementary II News

by Christy Cantu

Here at the Cheryl Campus the children are settling in nicely. We have started sharing with them all of the amazing work to be done here at Elementary II. In this first month, we have begun to remind them of the Great Lessons that brought Life to the Earth. We have started to teach them how to navigate the classroom and act as community members. We have opened their eyes to all of the opportunities and responsibilities as new fourth, fifth or sixth graders. With their comfort level growing, they have started building on their interests, sharing ideas, collaborating, testing limits and exploring new possibilities. It's a fantastic "new beginning" for these cultural explorers, risk-takers, problem-solvers, community members---Montessori students. It's going to be a wonderful year.

The secret of success is found to lie in the right use of imagination and in awakening interest, and the simulation of seeds of interest already sown by attractive literary and pictorial material, but all correlated to a central idea, of greatly ennobling inspiration—the Cosmic Plan in which all, consciously or unconsciously, serve the great Purpose of Life.

- Maria Montessori



Middle School News — by Doug Dziedzic

It is astonishing how quickly time passes when there is much to do. The start of a school year is busy and hectic for anyone involved, whether you are a teacher, a student, or a parent. At the middle school this is no exception. After starting the year off with a week of orientation, the two middle school campuses got right to work with either the start of the first cycle or a week at the Ropes Course.

Some might be saying, "What is Ropes?" This is the first trip that students take as a middle school community. It is designed to build trust among students as well as teach many vital skills like communication, team building, listening and having fun. The students go to a camp in Prescott, AZ from Tuesday to Friday. It is a great opportunity for students to form a community that will serve them throughout the school year.

The beginning can always be daunting and frightening. The opportunity for students to participate in a week of orientation and a week at Ropes allows students to get comfortable with the middle school program and become acclimated to the rigors of academic work. The start of this school year has been really good for both the Weldon and Oak middle school campuses. We are all looking forward to a fun and exciting school year.

CLASSES
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Pre-Primary Circle News

Happy September!

I am so pleased to introduce our Pre-Primary Circle staff for the 2011-2012 school year:

- In **Alana's** class we welcome Lena Viator back and welcome Adam Smith to Villa.
 - In **Jennifer's** class we welcome Jackie Scott and Brittany Johnson to Villa.
 - In **Karen's** class we are excited to have Judy staying until 4:30 with two new Circle leaders, LaQualla Craig and Lexi Collins.
 - In **Katie's** class we are happy to have Rudy Reza returning for another wonderful year.
 - In **Laragene's** class we welcome Claire Sanchez and Kianna Swatzell to Villa.
 - In **Sherra's** class we welcome Jackie Quintanilla and Kortnee Henry to Villa.
- I am very excited about our fantastic Circle staff and program this year.

Music & Movement and Cooking will begin this month with Tamara.

Mondays	Music & Movement	Thursdays	Cooking
Alana	4:00-4:20	Alana	4:40-5:00
Jennifer	3:20-3:40	Jennifer	3:40-4:00
Karen	3:40-4:00	Karen	3:20-3:40
Katie	4:20-4:40	Katie	3:00-3:20
Laragene	3:00-3:20	Laragene	4:00-4:20
Sherra	4:40-5:00	Sherra	4:20-4:40

Thank you,
Rachel Croly-Pincock

Important Dates

9/5/11 ALL SCHOOL CLOSED—LABOR DAY

9/9/11 PP Soccer Registrations DUE

9/21/11 International Day of Peace

9/30/11 First PP Soccer Game



SUPPORT YOUR VILLA COMMUNITY

Due to the strain of current economic times many of our smaller family-owned and -operated businesses are struggling to stay afloat; others are going bankrupt and some have even had to close up shop!

In keeping with the community spirit of the "Villa Family" we would like to help support those Villa families that own or operate businesses. We will do this by listing all of those businesses in our monthly Villa Voice in the hopes that other families will see this information and start supporting these companies (if you don't already).

So if you own or operate a business, have a child in school at Villa Montessori and would like to have your business listed, please contact Kathy Egleston at 602-955-2210 or email kegleston@villamontessori.com.

All information must be turned in by the 20th of the month prior to publication. We will list the name of the business and any pertinent contact information. The list will be published every month under the heading "Support Your Villa Community." **You must submit your information at the beginning of each new school year!**

Hello,

My name is Dee Woods. I administer the Circle After-Care Program for Elementary 1 (1st-3rd grade) and 2 (4th-6th grade).

WELCOME TO THE 2011 – 2012 SCHOOL YEAR!!!

For all families and staff returning to Villa, I welcome you back for another exciting and action-packed school year. I thank you all, and I am extremely appreciative of the encouragement and support over the years as our program continues to grow and evolve. It is an honor and privilege to witness our children's overall development.

To all of the new faces, and recent additions to the Villa Community, I would like to say Greetings to you all. I look forward to getting to know each of you and working together to make this year successful! I would also like to take a moment to describe our program.

The Elementary Circle program is an After-Care program designed to provide students with a fun, engaging and educational experience exploring the areas of social development, community awareness and interdependence.

Students have the option of participating in organized group-based activities, art projects or sports. They also have individual free time which they may constructively use however they choose.

.....FUN....right?

Next I would like to introduce our staff members, Joseph Del Rio and Chris Reza. Both are new to Villa and have showed a great knack and tenacity for the program.

Lastly, a few important notes for all parents:

- * Snack – Please make sure your child has an additional snack in their lunch box for afternoon Circle. We eat snack daily at 3:00 pm; often times Circle is a very active time of day for the students. Having a healthy snack when Circle begins can have a huge impact on the rest of their day.
- * Monday, September 5th – Labor Day (all school closed)

That is all for now. Thank you for taking the time to read this!

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FROM THE DESK OF SUE WATSON OVERVIEW OF 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR

AUCTION UPDATE: WE STILL HAVE SPACES OPEN FOR SOME OF THE FIXED EVENT PARTIES WE SOLD THE NIGHT OF THE AUCTION (SEE PAGE 9). PLEASE TAKE A LOOK AT THE OPENINGS AVAILABLE AND CALL ME OR EMAIL ME IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BUYING A TICKET TO ONE OF THE FUN EVENTS!

INNISBROOK WRAPPING PAPER - Thanks go to Elizabeth Pulley, Stacy Vivas and Bobbi Jo Claywell for running this time-consuming classroom fundraiser. The packets have been distributed to each child. Remember, one-half of the amount sold in each classroom goes directly back to that classroom. Please return your orders by September 12th and if you do not order any product, please return the packets to your classroom.

HELPING HANDS – Teachers come up with a wish list every year to improve their classrooms. Please support this program by taking a “Helping Hand” and purchasing an item. ***GIVE A HAND TO A TEACHER!***



HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL – Please mark your calendars for October 22nd from 5:00 – 9:00 PM. The carnival is a community-building event that kids of every age enjoy. This event is not targeted as a fundraiser. We charge just enough to cover the costs of the event. Please plan on attending. Thanks to all the committee chairs that have re-committed their time and energy to help with this event. Sign-up sheets are in all classrooms; please volunteer at least one hour. This carnival requires more volunteers per hour than any other Villa event.

LISTED BELOW ARE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE CARNIVAL:

WE CAN ALWAYS USE MORE PARENTS TO HELP BUILD AND DECORATE THE HAUNTED HOUSE. THIS PROJECT BEGINS ON THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 21st AND THE DAY OF THE 22nd UNTIL IT IS FINISHED. PLEASE CALL ME TO VOLUNTEER FOR EITHER THE BUILDING OR DECORATING COMMITTEE. WE NEED YOU!

Haunted House—Fred Bates, Jill Zimmerman & Friends
Toddler Area—Terry & Todd Madeksza
Music DJ—Vince Watson

Finance—Sheri Johnson & Denise LeComte
Food Court—Lisa & Jeff Moore
Villa Chair—Sue Watson

WE NEED AS MANY PARENTS AS POSSIBLE FOR CLEAN-UP ON SUNDAY MORNING STARTING AT 9:00am.



AUCTION DINNER: MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MAY 12, 2012



“MARDI GRAS” – DANCING IN THE STREETS WITH VILLA MONTESSORI!

The planning for this event started in May with voting on this year’s theme. Please call me (602 363-5006) if you are interested in working for any particular committee. We will be sending out donor forms to every family as soon as they are available so that we can get a jump-start on procuring items for the auction.

WE WILL GIVE DOUBLE VOLUNTEER HOURS TO ANY PARENT WHO IS WILLING TO WORK THE NIGHT OF THE EVENT.

CALL ME IF YOU ARE INTERESTED – 602 363-5006

WELCOME TO THE VILLA VOICE

VILLA FIXED BID EVENTS

“Game Night at the Smiths” – September 24th

This is your chance to play great new video games, bowl on Wii, Bocce Ball, Minute to Win It games and so much more. There will be drinks and great appetizers in plentiful supply. This party is hosted by Tommy & Shannon Smith. We have 12 spaces left at \$50 each!

“Casino Party on Camelback Mountain” – November 5th

This is the fourth year for this party and includes casino games with dealers for Texas Hold’Em, Roulette, Craps and Black Jack. It includes a buffet dinner, drinks and many prizes. This is being hosted by Mandy & Brett Durante. We have 12 spots left at \$75 each!

“All Boys Sports Day” – January 7th – With Alvan Adams!

Your son can improve his football and basketball skills and have a great time doing it. All boys 1st grade through 8th grade are welcome. This is hosted by Villa parents Scott Middlemist, Tommy Smith, Matt Winter, Villa Coaches Brian Whitacre and Kevin Watson. Our guest celebrity coach will be Alvan Adams from the Phoenix Suns! We have 13 spots left at \$30 each!

“Lip Service with Wine (formerly Moms & Palms)” – October 1st

Enjoy an evening with your girlfriends drinking wine, eating appetizers and having your lips read by an expert (very intriguing). This is being hosted by Stacey Burbach, Cheri Farias (DC Country Club) & Young’s Market. We have 15 spots left at \$60 each! A fun night!

PLEASE CALL SUE WATSON AT 602 363-5006 OR EMAIL ME AT SWATSON@VILLAMONTESSORI.COM

We need to fill these parties!

2011 TAX CREDIT CAMPAIGN FOR EDUCATION

PLEASE HELP US WITH THIS CAMPAIGN. THIS IS A DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR TAX CREDIT – THAT MEANS EVERY DOLLAR YOU DONATE COUNTS AS A DOLLAR PAID TOWARD YOUR PAYROLL TAX TO THE STATE OF ARIZONA. IF YOUR DONATION CAUSES YOU TO OVERPAY YOUR TAXES, YOU WILL RECEIVE A REFUND. IT IS THAT SIMPLE! WE ARE ASKING EVERY FAMILY TO GET TWO TO THREE TAX CREDITS.

IF EVERY FAMILY GOT TWO TAX CREDITS WE COULD RAISE \$300,000.

Tax Credit packets will be given out to each family next month. Every dollar counts! Please participate in this campaign by encouraging your family and friends to give their tax dollars to Villa. Married couples filing jointly can give up to **\$400**. Taxpayers filing a single return may give up to **\$200**. Please help us spread the word on this wonderful opportunity for taxpayers to give to education, preferably to Villa. Our website is set up for donations year round at www.villamontessori.com. It is an easy and secure way to donate your tax dollars. Let me know if you are in need of any tax forms and I will get them to you.

Tax Credit checks must be dated and postmarked no later than December 31, 2011.

REMINDER

Every family is required to volunteer at least 10 hours a school year. There are 3 ways to record your volunteer hours:

1. Stop by the Main Campus and enter your hours in the Volunteer Books.
2. Fill out a "Parent Volunteer Hour" sheet located in all classrooms.
3. Go online to your class website and record your hours there.

OTHER FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

THE POWER OF eScrip - Please enroll in this program, especially if you are a Safeway shopper.

Just follow the directions listed below:

- 1.) You need to register online by using your Safeway Club Card at www.escrip.com. If you do not have your Safeway Club Card you may call Safeway Customer Service at 1-877-Safeway. You may also register your Macy's charge card to get Villa a percentage of any purchases.
- 2.) The information you need - Group Name is Villa Montessori School and Group ID# **6581557**.
- 3.) You need to renew on a yearly basis by November 1st.
- 4.) Villa will receive up to 3% of your monthly purchases at Safeway. There are other vendors that will be listed on the website. Safeway is a great way to support this program.
- 5.) There is also an online shopping mall that will give Villa a percentage of your online purchases from many merchants. Please check it out on their website.
- 6.) 10% to schools on 2000 participating items at Safeway from August 10th to September 13th. Look for the sign on the items in the store.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: Please help with this easy fundraiser by clipping the coupons off of some of your favorite products from General Mills, Ziploc and Kleenex. You may turn them into your child's classroom. Our goal this year is to make \$1000.00 by the end of the school year.

BASHA'S "SHOP & GIVE": You may connect your Thank You card to our school ID# **27061** by visiting a Basha's store after September 1st and asking the cashier to connect your card with our school ID number. What could be easier!

TARGET—TAKE CHARGE OF EDUCATION: (Villa's Account #1551): Use your Target charge card for your purchases at Target and Villa will receive 1% of your total purchases. The school receives checks twice a year. You can sign up for this program at any Target Store.

PLEASE ENROLL IN ESCRIP, BASHAS AND CLIP BOX TOPS!

IT COSTS YOU NOTHING AND GREATLY BENEFITS VILLA!

SUPPORT YOUR VILLA COMMUNITY

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Bricks Studio—Dance & Karate	Mandy Durante	602-954-5200	mandy@bricksstudio.com
De George Plumbing	Dennis Hawksworth	602-274-0939	www.degeorgeplumbing.com
Facings of America, Inc.	Erik & Marion Droge	602-955-9217	4121 N. 27th St., Phoenix 85016
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Moments Salon	Paula Moyes	602-840-4700	www.salonmoments.com
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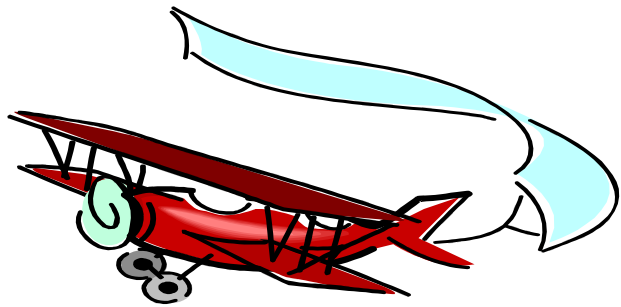


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There will be 6 ads per page (a page being the standard 8 1/2” X 11”); the ad must contain the name of the business, the date of the event (if applicable), cost and all contact information. If it is appropriate and consistent with our mission and values, we will publish it. Ads must be paid for by check only and made out to “Villa Montessori” and paid at the time of submission.

If you have any other questions or would like to place an ad please contact Kathy Egleston at 602-955-2210 or kegleston@villamontessori.com. All ads must be received by the 20th of the month prior to publication.



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Box Tops for Education has helped Villa Montessori earn money over the past few years.

What is Box Tops For Education? It is a program where we purchase brands from General Mills and Kleenex that have a Box Tops for Education logo. There is a collection box in each classroom. The Box Tops are brought in by the children and placed in the collection box. Each box top is worth 10 cents. We send in all the box tops once a year for money and receive a check for the total amount.

We would like each classroom to have a coordinator who will clip the extra paper off the box tops, separate and place them into sandwich bags in groups of 50 Box Tops, write the teacher's name on each bag, and turn the bags into the main office. A recap of progress will be sent out every other month.

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Use Sunscreen Every Day!

Even on cloudy days, the sun's rays can damage your skin. Wear sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher. Apply 10 minutes before going outside and reapply every 2 ½ hours or sooner if perspiring or engaging in water activities. Wearing sunscreen every day is as important as brushing your teeth!

Wear a Wide-Brimmed Hat and Lip Balm!

A hat with a wide brim offers better protection for your scalp, ears, face and the back of your neck than a baseball cap or visor. Remember to protect lips with SPF 15+ lip balm.

Wear Sunglasses!

Sunglasses reduce sun exposure that can damage your eyes and lead to cataracts. Check the label and choose sunglasses that block at least 90% of UVA and UVB rays.



Cover Up!

Wear long sleeves and pants if possible to protect your skin when playing or working outdoors. Darker colors and fabric with a tight weave provide the most protection.

Limit Time in the Midday Sun!

Limit your outdoor activities when the UV rays are strongest and most damaging (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.). Remember: Look for your shadow—If no shadow, seek cover!

Take Cover!

Find something fun that doesn't involve exposure to direct sun. Take cover under a tree, ramada or find an indoor activity inside a gym, library or classroom during peak UV.

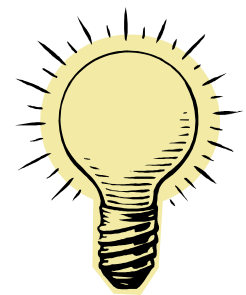


Check the daily UV Index!

Did you know you can check the intensity of the sun's rays every day? The ultraviolet or UV index is a way of measuring the sun's intensity. The scale is from 1 to 10. The higher the UV, the more careful you should be. A day with a UV rating of 10 requires more protection than a day with a rating of 1. Click on [NWS](#) to see your city's daily index.

Avoid Sun Lamps and Tanning Booths!

These artificial sources of UV light can cause as much damage as the sun's UV rays. Remember, there is no such thing as a safe tan. To get a tan, skin damage has to occur!



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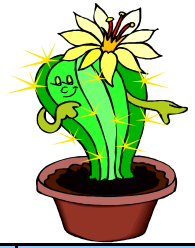
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Early Dismissal for <u>Weldon MS</u> only at 11:30am!	3
4	 Labor Day ALL SCHOOL CLOSED! 	6	7	8	 Pre-Primary Soccer Registration Due	10 MS Heroic Journey Parent Training Meeting
11	12 Innisbrook Wrapping Paper fundraiser ends today!	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Rescheduled Hearing & Vision Screening for Kindergarten & Elementary 1	20	21 International Day of Peace	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown	29	30 1st Pre-Primary Soccer Game	

IMPORTANT DATES FOR OCTOBER

- October 3-7—School Pictures Week
- October 10-14—Fall Break: School Closed except for Infants and All-Day Contracts
 - October 14—Infants & Toddler completely closed
- October 18—Middle School Info Night for future 7th graders
 - October 22—Halloween Carnival 5pm—9pm
 - October 23—Carnival clean-up from 8am to noon
 - October 24—Cookie Dough orders will be sent home
- October 28—Early Dismissal for Oak and Weldon campuses only at 11:30am

NO SOCCER GAMES ON OCT. 14 OR 21!

