



Oneonta Montessori School May 2012



MEMORIAL DAY – Monday 28th

School is closed. No child care.

CALIFORNIA ACHIEVEMENT TESTS (CAT6)

Tuesday 1st – Friday 4th

Students in 1st – 6th grade will be taking the National Standardized tests to compete with all students in the state of California.

Some important points to remember:

- Go to bed early.
- Eat a good hearty breakfast.
- Be on time to school.
- Don't be absent.
- Read every question thoroughly before answering.
- Check answers.



GOOD LUCK ONEONTA STUDENTS!

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK – May 1st - 4th

Encourage your child to write a note to his/her teacher to express appreciation for all the work she does.

ONEONTA STAFF ROCKS!

SUMMER CAMP – Mon, June 25th – Fri, August 24th

Watch for the Summer Camp forms!! Keep up with academics; enjoy all the exciting activities, projects and field trips planned for the 9 weeks of summer! With so many new children starting school, it is important that we receive the completed forms so we can place your child on the summer roster. Forms are due back May 31st.

Summer camp payments are due:

- June 25th (1 week) July 2nd (4 weeks)
- August 1st (4 weeks)

Elementary Students: take advantage of the Early Bird Camp fees & turn in forms to the office before May 31st!

School Tuition: The 10th & final payment for the school year tuition is due on June 1st & covers attendance until June 25th, the official last day of the school year.

MISSION MODEL CONTEST

Congratulations Marcus Gomez and Kody Chuang for winning 1st and 3rd place at the San Gabriel Mission Model Contest for 4th graders. Marcus' model was of the Mission at San Luis Obispo and Kody's was the mission of San Juan Capistrano. We are very proud of both of you.

GRADUATION PICTURES - Monday 14th

All Kindergartners and 6th graders will have their official pictures taken in school. Please return Grad. Form together with payment before picture day.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Monday, May, 21st -Friday, June 1st

Please sign up so your child's teacher can discuss the progress your child has made throughout the school year. Progress Reports will be given to all preschoolers.

ART EXHIBITION Thursday 31st – Friday June 1st

Visit your child's classroom & enjoy the creativity and imagination used to create these masterpieces.

Pennies 4 Patients – Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

Thank you very much for contributing to this cause. We collected a total of **\$1,782.94** with **Class #9** leading with \$370.75 & winning the pasta lunch. Way to go students!

Masterpiece Fund Raiser - Class #3 were winners of the ice cream party. School made \$3560.00. Thank You!

NAEYC ACCREDITATION

It takes a lot of diligence and hard work to maintain our accreditation status but it has made our school stand out from the rest. We will be sending out a **Center Evaluation** which must be filled out by all of our *pre-school parents*. We value your ideas, suggestions and support. Please help us to grow and effectively serve you and your children.

BOOK FAIR FUNDRAISER

Thank you for making our fundraiser a great success. We were able to add **\$1900.00** worth of wonderful books to our libraries. We are also grateful for those who purchased books from the teachers' wish lists.

STUDENTS! IT'S TALENT SHOW TIME!

Get out your fancy costumes, dancing shoes & show us what you've got!! Talent Show permission slips will go out this month; they must be signed by a parent in order for students to audition. 1st audition and cut will be on Friday, May 25th & 2nd & final cut will be Friday, June 1st. Turn in slips as soon as possible and start rehearsing your routines. The Talent Show will be held at the Alhambra High School Auditorium on Tues, June 19th @ 5:00 p.m.

Class # 1 – Ladybugs

May is one of our favorite months as we get to celebrate Mother's Day by making a very special gift for our moms. In Geography, we will explore the continent that we live on and learn about the other countries in N. America. To celebrate Cinco de Mayo we will be learning how to make tortillas for a snack, and also learn about the rich culture that Mexicans have brought to the United States. In Language, we will learn our last vowel "u" by making 2-D umbrellas. We will end May celebrating Memorial Day by honoring the ones that have helped serve our country by making patriotic visors.

Class # 2 – Fireflies

Hola! To start the month off we celebrate Cinco De Mayo with a small fiesta; enjoying making & eating quesadillas. We will decorate the classroom with beautiful flowers made from tissue paper. To honor all our beautiful and wonderful mothers the fireflies will be making a super special present. Shhh...no peeking! Getting ready for the Art Exhibition we will learn about different artists such as Pablo Picasso and Frida Kahlo. Please come by & enjoy the art gallery and enjoy all the hard work and beautiful art pieces created by the Fireflies. Be prepared to be amazed by our wonderful little artists.

Class # 3 –Honeybees

Our little hands will be busy for the month of May! We will celebrate Cinco De Mayo making musical maracas and colorful Mexican flowers for art. For cookery we will make our own quesadillas and have them for snack. Our little hands will continue to work making a very special gift for Mother's Day. Our class will also visit the school library to read about Memorial Day and find out why it is celebrated. Please sign up for a parent teacher conference; I can't wait to share our little Honeybees' progress with you. Happy Mother's Day!

Class # 4 Butterflies

Feliz cinco de Mayo, It's fiesta time!! What a wonderful introduction to studies on North America as we begin with a celebration of Mexico's culture. We're making a piñata, corn tortillas with real masa and a tortilla press, and mucha musica to commemorate the battle of Puebla. Mexican Artists Diego Rivera and Frieda Kahlo will kick off our art lessons for the Art Exhibit. We can't wait to show you our masterpieces. We are working on a top secret Mother's Day gift so mums the word ☺ Memorial Day will come just in time to provide a respite and time to remember those who have died in military service for our great country. Thank you parents for all the lovely new books added to our classroom. We can't wait to share this year's progress with you, please sign up for a conference.

Class # 5 – Vangie

Finally, we're all set for the California Achievement Tests. We wish the children all the best and are looking forward to perfect attendance. As we draw closer to the end of the school year, we are busy wrapping up our class curriculums and making sure our students are well equipped for the next grade level. Thank you so much for all the wonderful books you have added to our class library. Feliz Cinco de Mayo and Happy Mother's Day to all our great moms! Don't forget to sign up for our upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences.

Class # 6 – Ms Dorothy

The Scoring High gave our students good practice for the CAT Test which starts on Tuesday, May 1st and continues to the 4th. Please make sure you refer to the School Calendar for all school activities. We will continue with our Asia work, Weather, Geography and Fundamental Needs in History. Math and Language will continue as usual. Looking forward to Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day and the Memorial Day Holiday. A happy Mother's Day to all our wonderful moms!

Class # 7 – Ms Amie

Starting off this month is the testing, so please be in school early and refreshed. In Language, we will continue with the study of conjunctions and interjections. Measurement will be the highlight in Math. We will learn different types of land and water forms in Geography. Botany calls for the Parts of the Stem, Fruit, Seed and Root. In Zoology, we will finish off with the other Invertebrates and the other Fundamental Needs of Man for History. School is winding down and there is much to do wrapping up all lesson plans. Moms, Happy Mother's Day!

Class # 8 –Sue & Ms Noemy

We will start off by talking about 'Cinco de Mayo' and learning how to make guacamole and quesadillas during our Spanish lesson. We will learn the concept of borrowing in Subtraction & continue our journey in Geography as we head for the land down under; "Australia" For Social Studies we will discuss the importance of the Three Rs: Reuse, Reduce and Recycle & put it into practice by bringing an empty 16.9 oz. plastic water bottle for a special project. We will be remembering all the brave men and women who died, protecting and serving our beautiful country, U.S.A., by making and coloring flags for Memorial Day. Have a wonderful Mother's Day all moms & grandmas; thank you for the amazing job you do every day!

Class # 9 – Ms. Ernamarie & MaryAnn

Expect busy school days during the merry month of May. The students are compiling original stories, poems, writing applications and other literary works into book projects. More lessons and quizzes in History, Geography and Botany. Zoology continues with the detailed study of invertebrates and vertebrates while Math and Geometry challenge students with probability, integers, integers and rational numbers. We see the finish line & are striving hard to complete all lesson plans.