



Discovery Montessori Newsletter March 2015



Important Dates to Remember

March 8 th -	Day Light Savings (Spring Ahead 1 Hr)
March 16 th -	Hearing and Vision Screening (K-6)
March 21 st -	Kid's Night Out
March 30 st – April 3 rd	Spring Break – No School or Day Care
April 26 th -	Seattle Mariner's Family Day
May 15 th -	Parents Day Program
May 25 th -	Memorial Day – No School or Daycare
May 29 th -	Picnic at Long Lake

Spring Break

Spring Break will be March 30th – April 3rd. NO SCHOOL OR DAYCARE THAT WEEK.

Upcoming Events

All children will be presenting a Parent's Day program on Friday, May 15th from 1:00 to 2:30 in the Kitsap Room. We will give you more information in next month's newsletter. **There will be no regular class this day.**

Our end of the school year potluck picnic will be Friday, May 29th from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Long Lake Park. Parents, grandparents, and siblings are invited. **There will be no regular class this day.**

Summer and Fall Registration

We will be sending home a registration form for our summer and/or fall sessions. Returning students have priority until May 1st, and then we start filling the student spaces with new applications. We urge you to turn in your registrations early to take advantage of the \$100 registration fee (Second student in the same family will be \$75 registration fee). Registration fees for returning students go up to \$120 on April 1st and \$150 on May 1st. This helps to ensure we can plan adequate staffing for the number of students attending. Fees will remain the same for the summer session which begins June 8th and ends August 21st. If older siblings are planning to attend our summer program, please pick up an extra registration form from the office.

It is necessary for us to raise the rates this year as our costs continue to rise.

Rates for 2015-2016 School Year

7 th – 8 th Grades		Full Day	\$700	
Elementary 1 st – 6 th Grades		Full Day	\$640	
Kindergarten:	5d/wk	Full Day	\$640	
Kindergarten	5d/wk	Half Day	\$355	Lunch \$80
Preschool	5d/wk	Full Day	\$620	
	5d/wk	Half Day	\$340	Lunch \$80
	3d/wk	Full Day	\$445	
	3d/wk	Half Day	\$260	Lunch \$51
	2d/wk	Full Day	\$355	
	2d/wk	Half Day	\$225	Lunch \$36

Daycare:

Up to 2 hours daily / 5 days per week \$130/month

Additional hours: \$20 each month (3 hours = \$150 / month, 4 hours = \$170)

Up to 2 hours daily / 3 days per week \$100/month

Additional hours: \$15 each month (3 hours = \$115 / month, 4 hours = \$130)

Up to 2 hours daily / 2 days per week \$80/month

Additional hours: \$13 each month (3 hours = \$93 / month, 4 hours = \$106)

Incidental day care: \$8 per hour

Incidental lunch: \$19 per session

Registration Fees:

New Student Registration: \$100 1st child, \$75 each additional child

Returning Students: Before March 31st: \$100 1st child, \$75 each additional child.

April 1st -30th: \$125 1st child, \$100 each additional child.

May 1st and beyond: \$150 1st child, \$125 each additional child.

***Sibling discount: 5% off of lowest rate**

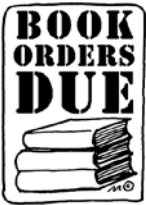
Yearbook Pictures

This year we have decided to use TreeRing.com again to create and order our yearbooks *online*! This allows you to customize two pages specifically for your child. To see what it's all about, go to www.treering.com/validate and use the pass code 1013534502964234. It will prompt you to register and add your child. Yearbooks with custom pages must be purchased online by April 11th.

We are in need of more photos, especially for the Givens classroom. If you have any photos of school events that you would like to share, please drop off a disk in the office, e-mail pictures to info@discoverymontessori.org or upload photos directly to www.treering.com by Monday, April 7th.

If you would like to volunteer to help, please see Valerie or Amy in the office.

Scholastic Book Orders



This month's Scholastic Book Club flyers are ready for you to explore with your child. Children read more when they choose their own books, so you are encouraged to look at the flyers together.

You can return the order form and payment to school, or give online ordering a try. It saves time, offers more book choices, and earns extra rewards for the classroom! Book orders are due March 16th.

When you place your order online, you'll help earn FREE Books for our school.

Ordering online is fast and easy:

- **REGISTER** at www.scholastic.com/bookclubs
- **ENTER** the Class Activation Code H3X9Z
- **CHOOSE** from thousands of print titles, value packs, and Storia eBooks
- **SUBMIT** the order to your child's teacher
- **EARN** FREE Books for you and the classroom too!



Seattle Mariner's Family Day

Mark your calendars! On Sunday, April 26th we will be having a Seattle Mariners



Family Day at Safeco Field. We have reserved 100 seats in section 331 behind Home Plate. The Mariners are playing the Minnesota Twins and the game will start at 1:10pm. You will be able to buy your tickets from the school for \$11 each.

Please make all checks out to Discovery Montessori. Tickets will not be available on-line this year. An order form will be going out soon. This form will need to be brought to the office before April 6th. Extra forms will be available in the office.

Study of the Month

Elementary Class and K-1: Writing skills –research papers and book reports. Cultural: K-1 – Northern Europe, Western Europe and Eastern Europe. Geography: Elementary-North America and Africa. Geography/Science - continue maps and Periodic Table of Elements. Art, Music/Movement, Cooking, Spanish, Sign Language, continue Elementary's Culture Fair Project, Computer Skills (keyboarding, PowerPoint or Moviemaker).

Preschool: Harder Montessori materials. Cultural: Geography—introduction to continent and culture of Europe, animals of Europe, learning country names, flags, St. Patrick's Day, and Easter Traditions. Art Appreciation: Thomas Gainsborough – *The Blue Boy*, Claude Monet—*Water Lilies*, Kandinsky—*Squares with Concentric Circles*. Art: St. Patrick's Day and Easter art. Rubbings (England), layered lilies, and color contrast circles. Music/Movement: "Frere Jacques", "Alouette", (France), "Edelweiss" (Germany), "A Todo el Mundo", (Mexico), "U Hali Gani", (Swahili), "Crocodile" and "Kookaburra", (Australia) and "The Atoms Family". Cooking: Trifle (England), Pot of Gold (Ireland), Crepes (France), Dye Eggs. Show and Tell: N. European Cultural item (Scotland, England, Norway, Sweden, or Finland), cultural item from Ireland, Western European cultural item: (France, Spain, Germany, Italy, or Switzerland), Eastern European cultural item (Poland, Czech Rep. Russia, Ukraine, Croatia, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Turkey, Greece, etc.), an Easter item. Spanish.

Volunteers Needed!!

We are in need of parent volunteers to join our fundraising committee. Volunteers will organize and oversee fundraisers. Money raised will be used towards field trips and special assemblies. If you are interested, please see Ms. Valerie in the office.