

March 2018 Newsletter

New England Storms

Well, this year is one that will go down in the record books. We didn't have a lot of snow, but a mix of wind, rain, ice and snow that caused a lot of headaches.



Andrea and I tried to reach everyone early by phone or e-mail. Sorry if we missed you. Hopefully, there will be no more cancellations or postponements for the remainder of the school year. Rachel Flum, our parent representative, did put the postponements and cancellations on Facebook early each morning. This is just another good resource to use if you need to check the school's updated information. We plan make-up for those snow days on Friday, March 16th (this day had been scheduled as a Teacher Professional Day) and during the last week of school this year.

Stuffed Animal Drive - Thank you!!!

Girl Scout Troop #82926 would like to thank the Sunrise Montessori Community for the generous amount of donations they received for their stuffed animal drive! The troop collected more than 30+ bags of stuffed animals for the Stuffed Animals for Emergencies, the Needham Community Council and Project Smile. 5 of the bags collected were from Sunrise families. Sincerely, Jessica & Brooke Devaney (Mrs. Roeber's daughter and granddaughter)

Chipotle Fundraiser is on Tuesday, March 20 from 5-9 pm. Flyers were sent out a while ago. This is a nice fundraiser; Chipotle will donate 50% of purchases from that night to the school when a flyer is shown. Thank you to Nancy Hayden, who set up and organized this fundraiser. If you have misplaced your flyer, we have more flyers on the entranceway table or you may download a flyer from the school's website under the **Current Events** tab. Thank you for helping to support our school.

Conference Times

It is hard to believe that it is almost spring conference time. A form will be sent home soon to ask for your three preference times for your child's conference. Please return your form quickly so you have a better chance to get the time slot that you are asking for. The teachers will do the very best to meet your request. The conferences are scheduled for April 6th (all day) and April 9th (afternoon only).

New Sand for the Sand Box

This week we were lucky to have Syed Azhar deliver 18 bags of sand to replenish our sand box. Syed's sons (Zayn and Syed) attended Sunrise for several years; Syed also serves on our school's Board of Directors. The wood stumps on our playground came from Syed's yard, and he installed them a few years ago. Professionally Syed builds pirate ships and castles for residential playgrounds. He does a beautiful job. Thank you for all you do, Syed!

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Other Upcoming Events & News

Looking Ahead

Summer Program

Weeks of summer fun are coming soon, and several children have already signed up. Ms. Andrea and I are planning fun activities to do for these 4 weeks. Please remember that the deadline to reserve a spot is Friday, April 27th. Participants do not need to be enrolled in our school year program to attend so let your friends, co-workers and neighbors who have young children know about the summer program. Forms are available from the office. They may also be downloaded from the school's website.

Annual Fair is on May 5th from 12:00 – 2:00pm. There is a committee helping with the donations for the Silent Auction, but please contact either of our Co-Parent Representatives (Rachel Flum or Courtney Nappa) at ParentRep@MySunriseMontessori.com if you can help out. The train will be featured again this year, and we will have a bouncy house for the children. There will be a raffle table, silent auction tables, baked goods table, pizza and games. Over the last few years we have been lucky enough to have the

Franklin Fire Truck come for the children to view and to sit in.

Our Annual Fair day is fun for everyone who comes.

It is also open to the general public so tell everyone you know. The fair is held rain or shine and is our biggest fundraiser of the year.

Thank you for reading our newsletter!

Karen & the teachers

Keeping in touch

If you have any questions or comments, please know that you can reach us via email. As the teachers are working with the children during the day, please note that a reply to your question may come after the afternoon dismissal or later. If your message is urgent and you need to reach someone right away, please call the school at 508-541-8010.

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Weather delays and closures

As a reminder, Sunrise follows the Franklin Public School policy on delays/closings.
Also watch Channel 5 for updates.

For a 1 hour delay, classroom A will begin at 9:30AM and classroom B will begin at 10:00AM.

For a 1 ½ hour delay, classroom A will begin at 10:00AM and classroom B will begin at 10:30AM.

2 hour delay means there will be NO morning programs but afternoon and full-day children may come to school at 12:00pm. (Please bring your lunch).



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please note that all current events, news and the academic year calendar are also found on the school's website: www.MySunriseMontessori.com

Friday, March 16 - Due to the recent school closings, we are holding classes and extended day programs. Previously this day had been scheduled as a Teacher Professional Day. Please note the change.

Sunday, March 18 - Social family get together for Maple Sugar program in Sharon for those who signed up in advance. 1:45pm to 3:00pm

Tuesday, March 20 – Restaurant Night at Chipotle – 5:00 – 9:00pm.

Friday, March 30 - Good Friday holiday. No classes and no extended day programs.

Friday, April 6 - Parent / Teacher conferences held all day; no classes and no extended day program.

Monday, April 9 - Classes held in morning; Conferences held in afternoon; no afternoon extended day.

Website and Facebook

Throughout the year the school uses its website and Facebook page to inform parents of current events and to post pictures from recent events. Please take a look at www.MySunriseMontessori.com

Be sure to check out our "Digital Backpack". This page can be found in the pulldown menu of the "Current Events" tab. Click on any of the hyperlinks to view the selected form or information page as a PDF.

On-going fundraisers

Restaurant Nights - our next restaurant nght is Tuesday, March 20th at Chipotle from 5pm to 9pm. Take a promotional flyer or show a copy of the flyer on your smart phone. Sunrise receives a percentage of your total sale. Please tell your friends, co-workers and neighbors.

Sunrise participates in the Amazon Smile program. Go to **www.smile.amazon.com** and sign in as you normally do on your desktop or mobile phone browser.



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Recycle used ink cartridges - Do you have used ink cartridges hanging around at home? Don't throw those out – Sunrise has a collection box for cartridges next to the office. Each month we turn them in at Staples for credit towards office supplies.