

OCTOBER 2020

NEWLETTER

The things he sees are not just remembered; they form a part of his soul.

- Maria Montessori

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 2: Tuition is due
- Oct 12: School closed for Columbus Day and Teacher conference
- Oct 16: Picture Day
- Oct 23: Fall Festival– Plano

OCTOBER: ANIMALS & HABITATS

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
			1 ROCKETS/ ASTRO-NAUTS	2 SUN OR MOON CRAFT
5 FARM ANIMALS	6 FARM ANIMALS	7 ZOO ANIMALS	8 ZOO ANIMALS	9 CHICKEN/GOOSE DAY FARM OR ZOO ANIMALS CRAFTS
12 COLUMBUS DAY; SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TEACHER CONFERENCE	13 RAINFOREST HABITAT: MONKEY/ JAGUAR	14 RAINFOREST HABITAT: TIGER	15 RAINFOREST HABITAT: PARROT	16 DECORATE YOUR PUMPKIN
19 DESERT HABITAT: CAMEL	20 DESERT HABITAT: VULTURE	21 DESERT HABITAT: ARMADILLO	22 DESERT HABITAT: SCORPION	23 PUMPKIN CRAFT
26 WOODLAND HABITAT: FOX	27 WOODLAND HABITAT: DEER	28 WOODLAND HABITAT: BEAR	29 WOODLAND HABITAT: RABBIT	30 2020 ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL/ HALLOWEEN (FREE DRESS IN COSTUME)

Fall Events

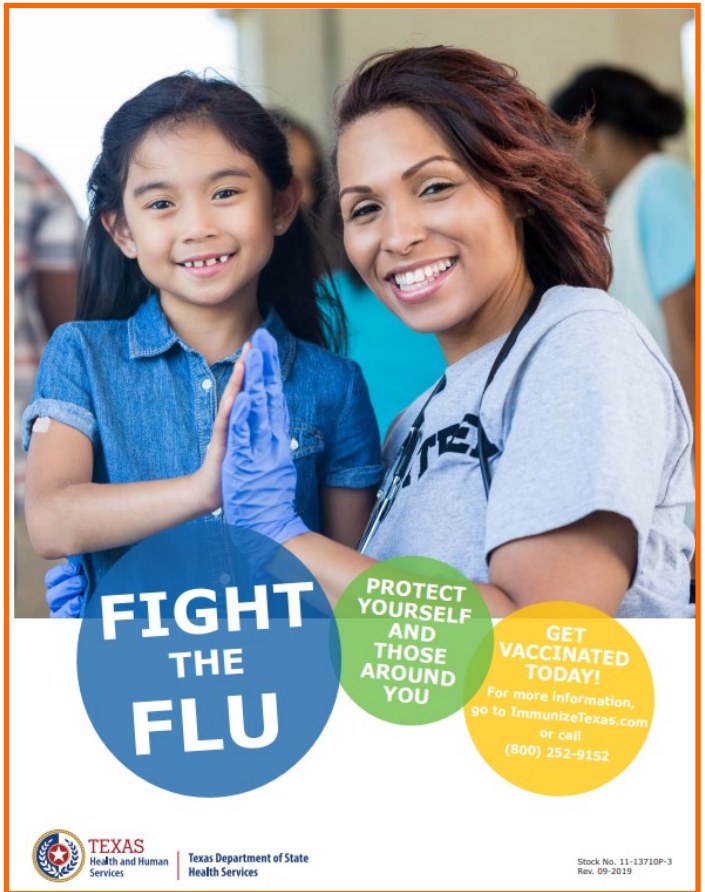
Fall Festival: We will have a Fall Festival (10/23) this year! You may wear your Halloween costume to school on Oct. 23. (No guns, swords, or weapons. No masks or any costumes that interfere with learning, sitting in a chair, or playing outside.)

However, it will only be open to students. (Parents, non-DMA siblings, and other visitors may not attend.)

To prepare for the fall festival, please bring two bags of candy by 10/16. Make sure the candy does not contain nuts or spicy ingredients. (Nut and spicy candies will go in the teacher lounge!)



Pumpkin Decorating: Bring a pie pumpkin (about 6-10" diameter) by 10/9. Write your child's name on the bottom with a pen or Sharpie. We will decorate it on 10/16.



Microsoft Virtual Workshops

We are excited to bring Microsoft Virtual Workshops to our K-5 students! We have 4 sessions scheduled for Friday afternoons in October and November.

Various topics include:

- Beginning Coding
- Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum field trip
- Story writing with Word and PowerPoint
- Smithsonian National Zoo field trip

Students who wish to participate should bring their own laptops or iPads (or tablets). Students who do not bring their own device will can watch and listen to the workshop. Students must be able to read. If possible, load MS Teams, Word, and PowerPoint beforehand.

Daily Sign-in

Child Care Licensing requires each child to be signed-in and signed-out each day. Use your Childpilot app to scan the QR code to sign-in and sign-out for your children. Let us know if you need help doing this.

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Who was Maria Montessori?

Maria Montessori was an Italian physician and educator. She believed that all children would have the opportunity to be taught no matter their family background. It all began in the low-income area of Rome. In the basement of an apartment building, Maria Montessori and volunteers would watch children while the parents worked. They would help the children with life skills such as bathing, combing their hair, and cleaning up. After much research, she opened the first Casa dei Bambini (Children's House). Ms. Linda also has a similar vision incorporating bilingual teaching with the old-fashioned Montessori method.

