



## May 2025 Newsletter

Dear Sunrise Community,

The end of the year is fast approaching – just over a week left of this school year!

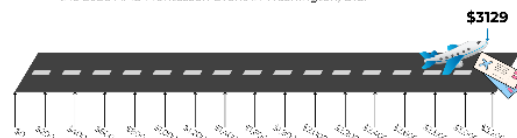
### Spring Fair Event Update

The fair generated just under \$3,200! All proceeds will go directly towards our teachers' professional development costs for the upcoming school year. We are excited to be able to attend the American Montessori Society annual event conference in March 2026 in Washington, D.C.

Thank you to Henry Rogers' mom, Stephanie, for creating our visual goal for the event.

### Help Our Staff Reach New Heights!

These donations help our educators continue their ongoing training and development by getting them to the 2026 AMS Montessori Event in Washington, D.C.



Thank you so much to everyone who donated or otherwise supported our goals! We couldn't accomplish all of this without all of you!

The rain held off and 37 families attended. It was great seeing so many of our current families as well as future enrolled and alum families. Thank you to Sue Roecker and our parent representatives, Erica, Manisha, and Lindsay, for helping create and solicit items for our Raffle Basket themes. Also, thank you to the parents and Sunrise community members who donated and helped solicit local businesses for raffle basket items. These donations helped make our baskets unique and special, and we are truly grateful for everyone's generosity and support of our program.

To the Sunrise Team.....thank you to Ms. Anselmo for her face-painting expertise. The children loved this! Thank you to Ms. Samantha and Ms. Jessica for supervising the bounce house. Thank you to Ms. Amanda for assisting with the playground supervision. Thank you to Ms. Karen and Ms. Marianne for serving pizza and cookies. Thank you to Ms. Judy for tending to the many little things and for helping me set up for the event. Thank you to my husband, Chris, for his ongoing support and help from start to finish at the event! Thank you to my son, Anthony, for helping with setting up and cleaning up.

Please visit the [Spring Fair 2025](#) link as Ms. Emily captured the smiles from many of the families throughout the event – and thank you to Ms. Emily for doing this. We hope you all enjoyed the fair!

Lastly, thank you to the Cugini and Kritikos families for helping put the school back together! You are all greatly appreciated!

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## Other Upcoming News & Events

### Teacher Appreciation Week – Thank You

Our teachers were showered with amazing gifts and treats for an entire week this month. Thank you to our parent reps for organizing this and to our Sunrise families for helping honor our staff.



### Mother's Visiting Day

It was a beautifully planned Mother's Day Tea event. Thank you to all the mothers and special guests who attended their child's classroom. Thank you to the Sunrise Team for making the Mother's Day visit special for our students and their guests.

### Upcoming Father's Day Visit is scheduled for Thursday June 5th at 8:30 am

Thursday, June 5th will be "Donuts with Daddy" for both Classroom A and Classroom B. This event will take place at 8:30 am on the playground. Fathers, if you cannot attend, you may wish to have a special visitor come in your place (grandfather, uncle, stepfather, or a special guest). Please plan to arrive on time, park in the parking lots in front of the school (**not in the upper lot, please**) and walk with your child directly to the playground – the Classroom teachers will be waiting with a "Box of Joe" for the adults and Munchkins will be available for both children and their guests. The event should last about 30-45 minutes. If it rains on the day of the event, please walk your child directly into the classroom



### Still a few spots available for the Summer Program weeks

Sign up for one week or more. The schedule is flexible. Forms are available in the office, please let us know if you would like to register.

Week 1 **Space Week**

Week 2 **Farm Week**

Week 3 **STEM Week**

Week 4 **Yoga & Movement**

### Scholastic Book Club



Thank you to everyone who participated in Scholastic Book Clubs for 2024-2025. We will start up orders again in September. And a special thank you to the families who purchased books for the school from the Scholastic Wish List.



## End of the Year Ceremony at the Courtyard in the Moseley Complex on Tuesday, June 10th.

Details for the day of the outdoor Ceremony are as follows:

- ❖ Please drop your child off at the regular time for school (between 8:30 am and 8:45 am).  
Reminder this final day at school is a half day for all students.
- ❖ **When do Parents arrive?** Arrive back at the school no later than 10 am and be sure to park in the parking lot near the school OR in the parking lot at the other end of the complex – near the Sensation Station). Do not park in the upper lot as this is designated for the business across the street.
- ❖ **Where is the Ceremony?** Go directly to the Courtyard area – (this is located in the center of the Moseley Complex - just look up for the flagpole). There is a grass area in the center where families will sit. Please don't stop in at the school at this time.
- ❖ **Who should attend?** - 2 adults please and siblings, of course. Due to space, we don't have enough room for extended family (if held indoors). Thank you for your cooperation in advance.
- ❖ **What should you bring?** - a folding chair to sit on or a blanket if you prefer.
- ❖ Please note that the school is not renting chairs for parents for this event. The students will sit on chairs in their classroom groups throughout the ceremony. Pop up tents will provide shade for the children and teachers.
- ❖ Classroom A will be on the left and Classroom B will be on the right for the entire ceremony.
- ❖ The Courtyard is a sunny area; be prepared, please. Sunblock or a hat on your child is essential.
- ❖ **When does the Ceremony start?** Teachers and students will arrive in the courtyard at approximately 10:15 am to begin the ceremony. The ceremony will last about 45 minutes. A program of the ceremony will be available when you arrive at the courtyard and will review what to expect throughout the event.
- ❖ There will be ample opportunity for that perfect photo as your child walks to his/her teachers to receive their certificate (they stand on a podium). Additionally, Mr. Vicario will be present, taking each child's photo as they stand on the podium to receive their certificate.
- ❖ Directly after the ceremony, you may wish to bring your chairs/blankets back to your vehicle and then proceed to the school.
- ❖ The students will head to the playground with their Classroom Teachers as a group. Parents, before meeting your child on the playground, please go to your child's classroom and collect any of your child's items (even if your child is returning for the summer program and/or the fall). Bring along a sturdy bag to hold cubby items (slippers, blankets, clothing, child's work, and any medications and sunscreens). Note – medications must be handed directly to an adult.
- ❖ **Dismissal is at 11:30 am.** This is the time to say farewell (as hard as it may be). Please remember to take care when walking through the parking lot with your child and be aware of any moving vehicles.

*In the event of rain, the ceremonies will be held inside the classrooms. The day before, a final decision will be made if the weather is questionable. If you have any questions about the ceremony, please let me know – thank you.*

## 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](http://www.MySunriseMontessori.com)

Be sure to check out our “**Parent Corner**”. This page can be found on the menu tab of our website. Click on any of the hyperlinks to view the selected form or information page as a PDF.

## 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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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**June 5:** Father's Day – Donuts with Daddy

**June 6:** Final pizza date for full day students

**June 10:** Last day of school. Early release. Closing ceremony and recognition of students.



During the summer our school's administrative hours will vary. Please call ahead before stopping by.

**June 23:** Week 1 of the Summer Program

**July 7:** Week 2 of the Summer Program

**July 14:** Week 3 of the Summer Program

**July 21:** Week 4 of the Summer Program

## Passive Fundraisers are just one of the many ways you can support Sunrise Montessori School!

### Box Tops for Education

For over 20 years, Box Tops for Education has given families an easy way to earn cash for their school, with products they already buy. You have seen and clipped those rectangular box tops. Now you can simply scan your store receipt with the Box Tops mobile app to identify participating products and instantly add cash to the school's earnings online. Go to [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com) to learn more.



### Recycle your printer ink cartridges

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



### Restaurant Dine-In Events

Throughout the year our fundraising coordinators will set up local restaurant dine-in events. Enjoy a great meal and the company of family and friends all while supporting local businesses and Sunrise Montessori School.



### Grocery Shopping / Giving Bags

Purchase a reusable community bag at any Big Y, Shaw's or Stop & Shop store, follow the directions on the attached Giving Tag and direct a \$1 donation to Sunrise Montessori School



### Mabels Labels

This on-going fundraiser provides great ideas for labeling your child's items. Check out: <http://campaigns.mabelslabels.com/> and click on the school's name.

### For Small Hands

Montessori items and activities for your child. Use the school code #130331 and Sunrise will receive a credit towards future material purchases through Montessori Services. For online orders, please visit <https://www.forsmallhands.com/scp/130331>

### Scholastic Books

Periodically parents will receive flyers and/or email notifications from Scholastic Books which offer titles for children of all ages. Points from your purchases accumulate for the school which are then redeemed for new books and materials for the classrooms. It's easy to shop for books! Click on the school's link <https://orders.scholastic.com/KNYN8> Note that we aren't separating out orders by classroom; therefore, your child's teacher will be simply listed as Sunrise Montessori. Click on the Get Started button at the top of the webpage and either sign in or create an account. If you connect to Scholastic through our class page, you will see **Welcome to Sunrise Montessori's Classroom Book Club**. Once the school's order is submitted, books arrive at the school in about 10 days. We will sort the orders and hand them to parents in a sealed bag (in case it's a gift for your child).

### Amazon Wish List for Sunrise

Did you know? Sunrise has a Wish List on Amazon. Be sure to check out the following link: [Sunrise-Amazon-Wishlist](#) New items are added each month.

# Thank you for supporting Sunrise Montessori School!





## Classroom A Newsletter May 2025

Dear Classroom A families,

We can't believe we are already so close to the end of the school year!

It was wonderful seeing all the guests who came to visit the classroom for the Mother's Day event! The children did an amazing job painting their flowerpots for their guests. We hope everyone had a beautiful Mother's Day!



The children also enjoyed putting their handprints on the Helping Hands bench for the Spring Fair. Thank you to everyone who attended the Spring Fair to support our school. We are excited to say we met our fundraising goal! We hope everyone enjoyed themselves!



### Science

This month the children are learning about flowers. They enjoy exploring the parts of a flower and making their own flower after learning the parts of a flower. The children are discovering and investigating the life cycle of a flower.

### Geography

This month the class "traveled down under" to the Southern Hemisphere and the children are beginning to learn about Australia.

Topics include the different types of animals that live in Australia. The children are also exploring a couple of the famous landmarks located in Australia.

In the **Math area**, the children are working on the Addition Bank Game. The children are making big numbers (for example 4,325) with the cards. Next, the children will grab four 1,000 cubes, three 100 squares, two ten bars, and five one beads. Then the children will make another big number (1,213) in the appropriate manner. Finally, they will combine the numbers together to create the answer to the problem. This work helps children to learn that when you add two smaller numbers together, they make a bigger number, and that is called addition.



### Kindergarten Corner



The kindergarteners have been working on writing their special part of the end-of-year ceremony. They are writing out their favorite part of Sunrise Montessori. At the ceremony, they will have the opportunity to read their statements out loud to all the parents. This is a great introduction to public speaking skills.

The kindergartens are learning their sight words and have practiced writing their sight words down. They enjoy playing hide and seek. The teacher will ask each child to please find the word “the” and they will find the word “the”, bring it back to the teacher and the teacher will ask “what did you bring me?” The child said “the”. We continue the process until all the sight words have been found.

**Donuts with Daddy** will be held on Thursday, June 5th at 8:30 am:



Fathers (or a special guest), we will meet on the playground at drop off for a special morning breakfast of Munchkins and coffee. During this event, you and your child can enjoy a donut together while playing on the playground!

If you are unable to attend, you may wish to ask a grandfather, uncle or any special guest to attend in your place.

### **End of the Year Celebration on Tuesday, June 10th**

June 10th is the last day of school, and dismissal will be at 11:30 am. All the children will be recognized and receive a certificate during the ceremony. We will encourage all the children to sit with their classroom group and ask that they stay with us till the end of the ceremony, as we will walk to the playground as a group at the end. You can meet your child at the playground to say our goodbyes and pick up their belongings inside the classroom. We hope for a nice day so we can have an outdoor ceremony. If it is raining, the ceremony will be held inside our classroom.

In some cases, children may wish not to sit with our group during the ceremony. This is okay! If this happens, your child may sit with you throughout the ceremony. If they are sitting with you, please keep your children with you for the entire ceremony. We will come to you and your child to recognize them and give them their certificate.

For specific questions about either of the events, please contact us.

### **Sign-up links**

#### [Guest reader sign-up](#)

We love to have guest readers in our classroom. If any family member (parents, siblings, grandparents, etc.) would like to be a guest reader, please sign up - we love to have visitors!

#### [Flower sign-up](#)

The children love to work on flower arranging. If you and your child would like to bring in a bouquet of flowers, please sign-up for a week to bring them in.

#### [Birthday walk sign-up](#)

If your child has a birthday coming up, please sign up for a birthday walk. If your child has a summer birthday, feel free to sign up on the same day as another classmate.



Happy Birthday to our friends  
Mason, Mihira, Theo, and Miles!

Thank you,

Ms. Samantha, Ms. Emily and Ms. Karen



## Classroom B Newsletter May 2025

Dear Sunrise Parents,

Happy May! We're blossoming just like the flowers outside! This month, the children have been full of energy, curiosity, and creativity. Here is a peek into this month's Montessori adventures.

The children did an amazing job hosting their Moms for Mother's Day Tea. The environment was full of love and laughter.



### Spring Nature Walks

We've been exploring the signs of Spring - tiny bugs, blooming flowers, and chirping birds.

### In the Math Area

The children are working with extensions, beads, number rods and lessons which continue to build their Math muscles. They love to count as a group and can now count up to 200.

### Growth and Change

In ourselves as well as the environment

### Grace and Courtesy

Taking turns and speaking kindly were what we focused on this month.

### In the Science Area

The children are learning about seeds and are carefully watching the bulbs develop flowers. These bulbs were planted in the front of the school earlier this Fall. Lessons were given on "The Parts of a Flower".





### **In the Kindergarten Area**

The Kindergarteners continue to work hard building on their reading skills. The children learned about authors, illustrators and publishers. They each made their very own book. We enjoyed the beautiful weather by stepping outside to color in the courtyard. It has been a fun-filled month of May!



Happiest of birthdays to the following students

June: Colin  
July: Henry & Sebastian  
August: Mehr & Olympia



### **Parent Tips for home**

Encourage your child to help in the garden, set the table, or write their own story and draw illustrations at home. Little hands love big responsibilities!

Thank you for your continued support and for sharing your wonderful children with us each day. Let's enjoy this beautiful month of sun and learning in bloom!

Love, learn & grow!  
Ms. Lynne Anselmo, Ms. Marianne and Ms. Jessica

**"The greatest gifts we can give our children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of Independence."**

Maria Montessori



## May 2025 Extended Day Newsletter

May was a busy month. In afternoon extended care the children completed two science experiments with color and many crafts representing the spring season. To make the best of the many rainy days we had fun with inside games like hopscotch, bean bag toss, and parachute games. And of course, music and movement.



In **Art** we dedicated a week to flowers, a week to insects and a week learning about Dr. Seuss.



In **Science** we learned about capillary action through the “walking water experiment” and the color changing flower experiment. Capillary action is a process where a liquid moves through small spaces like a tube or paper towel against gravity.



With the walking water experiment we filled two cups with colored water (red and yellow) and left a third cup empty between them. Then we folded a paper towel and placed one end into one water cup and the other end into the second water cup.

Finally, we gently pushed the middle of the paper towel into the empty cup. Immediately the paper towel absorbed the two different colored waters. Then this process started to slow down and eventually “walk” to the middle. With the color changing flowers experiment we placed white carnations into colored water (blue and green) and over time they slowly changed color. After leaving the experiment for a few days the colors became darker on the petals and leaves.

Thank you, Ms. Jessica and Ms. Amanda

The morning and afternoon Extended Day Programs offer a safe, fun and welcoming environment where children are offered age-appropriate activities which promote learning opportunities and social interaction with staff and classmates. This program is held in the front classroom of the school and on the playground.