



# October Newsletter



## The Montessori School of the Angels

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### Classroom News

#### Preschool/Kindergarten –

**Class A - Mrs. Oliveira & Miss Medeiros** – Our class had a great start to the school year. We spent time getting to know each other and our classroom. We talked about friendship, grace and courtesy. They created a bear for art and talked and sang about the four seasons.

During the month of October, we will begin working on concentration and control for the preschool children. The kindergarten will review letter sounds and blending them together, numbers and simple addition. We will also begin our Columbus Day series of activities with songs and art projects. For Halloween we will be learning new songs and doing art projects with the Halloween theme.

**Did you know???** All the Kindergarten children have one on one reading with Mrs. Lajoie. The Kindergarten students also have Science each day with Mrs. Oliveira.

#### Class B - Mrs. Anselmo & Mrs. Costa –

The children seem to be making a fine adjustment into this new school year. We are currently working on grace and courtesy. The children have been introduced to new lessons each day and are working on routine and independence. During the month of October we will continue to learn more about one another as well as our environment. We will also be observing the outside environment and the beautiful changes taking place. The children will learn about different trees and leaves. Leaf rubbing will also be introduced.

**Did you know???** Class B has a meditation class every Friday morning.

**Did you know???** That both Preschool/Kindergarten classes are visited by Madame Correia for French once a week and the Kindergarten students have an extra French class each week with Madame.



### Upcoming Events

#### October 4

Individual Photos

#### October 9

No School – Columbus Day

#### October 13

Upper EI – Peckham's Greenhouse Field Study

#### October 17

Lower EI field trip to St. Bernard's pumpkin patch

#### October 21

Spaghetti Supper 6 PM

#### October 26

"Kids on the Block" for Preschool/Kindergarten students

#### October 27

Upper EI – 1<sup>st</sup> literature circle  
3 PM dismissal NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE – STAFF MEETING

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**Have you seen the fence on the wall in the main lobby?**

Each of our students' names will continue to appear as the decorations change through the seasons.

This is a project that Mrs. Brow and Mrs. Levesque, Jr. have undertaken to welcome all of our families each season.

Thank You!

## More Classroom News

### Lower Elementary – Mrs. Levesque, Mrs. Brow and Mrs. Levesque, Jr.

Lower El welcomed six new students into the class and their transition was very smooth. This month second and third graders were focused on getting back into the routine and reviewing their work from last year. Our first graders were getting to know their new environment and already had many new lessons!



Lower El "Art Gallery"

The Science theme this month was "water". Students learned about surface tension and cohesion/adhesion of water through fun demonstrations and experiments.

Lower El students are going to have their first field trip this school year on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Did you know???** Lower El welcomed first graders, Maxwell, Lucas, Eleanor, Elise and Emma, and new second grader, Georgia. We are so happy to have our new friends!

### Upper Elementary – Mrs. Davis



Have you seen this?

We had a very busy September. We studied insects, tagged Monarch Butterflies at Gooseberry Island, had introduction to Art through the "Timeline of Art History", began reader's theater with "The Fall of Troy" and "Paul Bunyan", began preparing for Preschool/Kindergarten buddy reading and worked on "Mozart" the composer of the month poster.

During October we will be visiting Peckham's Greenhouse to purchase a plant to care for in class as part of the "Study of Botany". We will also have our first literature circle and our composer of the month will be "Beethoven".

**Did you know???** Upper Elementary, in addition to traditional school subjects, also learn sign language and how to practice self-meditation and relaxation breathing techniques.

### Middle School - Mr. Davis and Mr. Gomes

Middle School had a great start to the year! Students are settling in and working hard. We just wish the weather would cooperate more, so we can go on our Whale Watch!

In October, we are planning on, finally going on our Whale Watch. Also, we will be putting on the annual Spaghetti Supper on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. We hope we see everyone there. Tickets will be available soon!

#### Did you know???

In the Middle School the students get nightly homework and receive traditional letter grades on their report cards.

### Atrium - Mrs. Pimental

We have had a nice quiet start to our Atrium year as we have gathered together in prayer and song. The younger children have been studying what goes on the Altar and the name of the articles that are used at Mass. The older children have been taking a look at the big picture with the study of the Plan of God timeline.

During October the younger children will be learning about the land of Israel at the time of Jesus. Lower El will be introduced to a timeline called the Fettucia. Upper El will be continuing the study the Plan of God timeline as well as beginning a Bible study of Naoh. Middle school will have their first test and/or project due.

#### Did you know???

Fourth graders are working on making prayer shawls by sewing their names on them. These shawls will be used during quiet prayer time.