

CALENDAR

- 9/30 Andover Day
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Downtown Andover
- 10/5 Pizza Lunch
- 10/6 No School - Professional
Development Day
- 10/9 No School - Indigenous Peoples'
Day/Columbus Day
- 10/12 Portrait Day
- 10/12 Andover Parent 2 Parent Speaker
7:00 p.m. in the American Room
*Jack Agati presents: Birth order:
How Your Place In the Family
Affects Your View of the World*
- 10/13 ASM Spirit Day and Pizza Lunch
- 10/13 PACE Parent Coffee Meetup
and Meeting
8:15 a.m. (American Room)
- 10/13 All-School Meeting
8:45 a.m. (American Room)
- 10/20 All-School Meeting
8:45 a.m. (American Room)
- 10/20 Pizza Lunch
- 10/24 Children's House Curriculum
Workshop: Part One
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
- 10/27 All-School Meeting
8:45 a.m. (American Room)
- 10/27 Pizza Lunch
- 10/27 Halloween Fair hosted by the
Middle School
3:30 - 5:00 p.m. (American Room)

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Our Classroom...

Here are some highlights from our
first month of school!



Exploring the Montessori Environment

We have been introducing the children to the Montessori materials and environment. They've had the opportunity to engage and explore with the sensory-rich materials, fostering independence and concentration. Caring for the environment by sweeping the floor helps to develop their gross motor skills. This involves coordinated movement of their arms and body, as well as hand-eye coordination, gaining independence, and caring for the community.

Social Development

We've witnessed budding friendships and a growing sense of community within our classroom. Children are learning valuable social skills through group activities and cooperation. The children are modeling team building skills with structured activity during indoor recess. This builds problem solving and social skills.



Language and Communication

Our language-rich environment is helping the children expand their vocabulary and communication skills. Storytelling and language games are becoming a daily routine. The children teamed up in working with the Sandpaper Letters by tracing the letters and matching objects and picture cards with their initial sounds.



Sensorial Experiences

The children are honing their sensory perception skills through activities that encourage them to explore with their senses from tactile materials to sound games. This child is using visual and tactile sense to make patterns with the Brown Stairs and the Pink Tower.



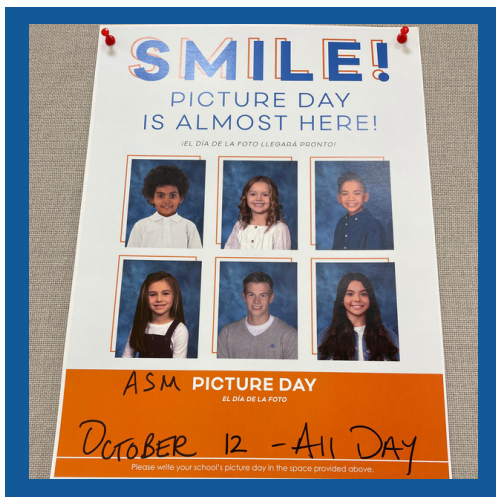
Practical Life Skills

Basic life skills such as pouring, dressing, and cleaning have been introduced, promoting independence and self-care. Spooning, squeezing, and grasping activities develop focus, concentration, and fine motor skills.



Cultural Exploration

We've delved into various cultural studies and introduced the class to the wonders of the natural world through hands-on science activities. Working with the Continent Map, children are learning the colors which represent the 7 continents on Earth in a Montessori classroom. In addition, they develop their pincer grip and sensory skills by holding the puzzle pieces by the knobs, and matching them on the control map.



Bring your smiles for ASM "Picture Day"
Thursday October 12, 2023

We are thrilled to have your child as a part of our Montessori family, and we look forward to many more months of exploration and growth together. If you ever have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education and development. Here's to an exciting year ahead!

