

CALENDAR

- 11/26 Pizza Lunch
- 11/27-29 School Closed:
Thanksgiving Break
- 12/4 Head of School Coffee with
Lower Elementary Parents
8:15 -9:15 a.m.
- 12/5 Portrait Retake Day and
Sibling Portraits
- 12/6 PACE Parent Coffee Meetup
and Meeting 8:30 - 8:45 a.m.
All-School Meeting 8:45 a.m.
ASM Spirit Day
Pizza Lunch
- 12/10 ASM Board of Directors'
Open House 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Casey Room
- 12/11 Head of School Coffee with
returning Children's House
Parents
- 12/13 Pizza Lunch
Children's House Winter
Concert 9:00 - 9:45 a.m.
Lower and Upper Elementary
Winter Concert 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
- 12/19 Pizza Lunch
- 12/20 School Closed: Professional
Development Day (Childcare
Fun Day Available)
- 12/23 - 1/1 Winter Break!

Our Classroom...



It was such a joy to see grandparents and special guests of our students visit our classroom. The students were very enthusiastic to show their visitor what they have been working on and how to use the Montessori materials. The students also worked on Grace and Courtesy and prepared flower arrangements for the tables during our presentation. We hope that they enjoyed their time in our classroom!



It is always wonderful to watch students share what they have learned with others. Listening to them explain their work and take pride in it helps to build their confidence and develop a deeper understanding of their work.

Math

In Geometry, second years have been introduced to the Montessori protractor and soon will be using protractors to measure angles. Third years are continuing to work with triangles as they practice classifying them. First years have moved onto studying lines now that they have learned about the basic concepts of geometry. We have begun to study time as well with first years making their own clocks, seconds working on telling time to the minute and third years working on elapsed time.



Cultural

We are continuing to study time by considering the most common way that we think about time: the clock. Students have been learning about the parts of the clock and why we use sayings like half past or quarter to. We are doing this in conjunction with our math unit on telling time as it has so many connections which can be made to help students to understand time.

We have also learned about the body functions of moss as we always move from the parts of plants into the body functions. Students were able to compare the body functions of plants to those of humans while considering how they differ.



Language

Everyone is working hard in their Literature Circle groups. Second years are working on comprehension with *Funny Frank* while first years are reading *Nate the Great* and *Amelia Bedelia*. Third years are finishing up *Ivy & Bean* and *The Trouble with Chickens* and moving onto the book *The Hundred Dresses*.

For grammar, third-year students are reviewing prepositions, while second-year students are working on past tense verbs, and first-year students are now learning about adjectives.

We have finished our “Thankful Writing” for the month and will be working on a persuasive piece for next month.





STEM

Our next STEM kit focuses on mechanical engineering and coding. Using LEGO robotics, we are learning about rovers and made our own named MILO. We will be using MILO to explore different missions which can be accomplished using coding and learning about just how important this is to the use of rovers in helping humans to explore places we cannot go ourselves.

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Looking Ahead...

Next week the students will be on Thanksgiving Break from 11/27 - 11/29. During that time the students will not be receiving homework. We hope that everyone enjoys their time together with their families and friends. Homework will resume again on Friday, December 6. If you have any questions regarding homework please reach out to us.

