



**Montessori School of Iowa City
Newsletter
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Staff On The Move



Some of our current staff members are planning to leave us next year. Kelly Duggan is moving to St. Louis where she will be a first grade teacher. Jennifer Bowman is moving away from Iowa City. Kari Lozinski will be finishing her studies at the University of Iowa and student teaching. And Anne Drews will be working in a different area of child care. Denelle Thomas will become a full time student at the University of Iowa, but will continue to work with our extended day program. Lauren Pinkston has already left to pursue other opportunities.

PTO Meeting

The next PTO meeting will be next Tuesday April 5th at 7PM. We will be discussing new officers for next year, a new monthly meeting date, and much more. Everyone is welcome to attend.



WANTED: PTO Officers For 2005 - 2006



Would you like to be an officer or event coordinator with the PTO next year? You will receive a big reward knowing that you are helping to improve opportunities for children. Contact current PTO President Colleen Schilling at coschilling@yahoo.com or 466-9118 if you are

interested. Check your Friday folders and enrollment packages for more information about volunteer opportunities in the 2005-2006 school year!

Box Tops For Education

Keep sending in your Box Tops for Education. We have earned well over \$200 for our school



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Arbor Day

As you may have noticed, the trees that stood in front of the west parking lot have been cut down. They were removed as the first step in a beautification project.

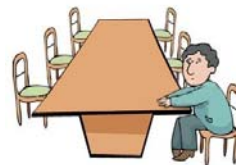


The second step will take place on Arbor Day, Friday April 29th. We will be planting seven Snowdrift and Prairiefire Crab trees along the parking. The trees are being purchased in part with the money from pop and beer cans and bottles you have been dropping off.

We are planning special activities in the days leading up to Arbor Day to help children understand the importance of planting trees. They will be able to watch as the trees are being placed in the ground.

Please continue to drop off your cans and bottles. The more you bring, the more trees we will be able to plant. We are not able to recycle bent or smashed cans. Please rinse cans and bottles before you bring them.

2005-2006 Board of Directors Vacancies



There will be several openings on the Board of Directors starting with the 2005-2006 school year. If you would like to take part in the governance of the school you may pickup an application form from Gordon or Judy.

Dates To Remember

We will not have school on Friday April 1st. This will enable our staff to attend a Montessori Conference in Chicago. And, our last day of school will be Friday June 3rd.



Student Photos



Halverson Photography will be at the school on Tuesday April 5th to take spring pictures of our students.