



Montessori School of Iowa City
Newsletter
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<http://www.montessori-iowacity.org>

April PTO Meeting

The next PTO meeting will be Tuesday, April 12th at 7PM. We will be welcoming new officers for next year, discussing teacher appreciation week, and much more. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Be Part of A Winning Team PTO For 2005 - 2006



Would you like to volunteer your time or talents to the PTO next year? Contact current PTO President Colleen Schilling at 446-9118 or coschilling@yahoo.com if you are interested. And watch 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 met our first semester goal and have already earned over \$200 for our school! As a reward, the children will be putting their hand prints the northeast stairwell before the end of school. We need 3 morning volunteers and 3 afternoon volunteers make this fun event happen for our children! Please contact Teri Ault at tandkault@mchsi.com or 358-9902 to volunteer.



Arbor Day



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.

Recycle For Trees

Please continue to drop off your pop and beer 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 are two openings on the Board of Directors starting for 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.

Web Site Changes

Many thanks to Jen Schneider who has served as our webmaster this winter. We welcome school accountant Ken Hinshaw who has taken over web duties from Jen. Be sure to check us out at www.montessori-iowacity.org. We will be undergoing some changes and updates.



Montessori Reading & Discussion Group



Does your child come home talking about the pink tower or the 45 layout? Do you wonder what these are and how they help your child learn? The PTO is sponsoring a reading group for Parents to learn about the theory and practice of the Montessori educational approach.

We encourage all parents to participate in this group. It is a great way to be involved in your child's education and support our teachers. We will be reading from Cam Gordon's book "Together with Montessori." Our first time will be arranged at a later time. Contact Shaun Vecera (call 354-1872 or email shaun-vecera@uiowa.edu) if you are interested.

Picture Day Help

A big thank you to Scott Rundle and Meredith Carter for helping with spring pictures last Tuesday. The children looked great!

