



*Mission Statement*

*The mission of the Montessori School of Iowa City is to provide excellence in education for children ages three to nine through child-directed hands-on activities*

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**Montessori School of Iowa City Newsletter**  
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**December 1, 2006**

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**Thank You For Your Help**

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Thank you to everyone who purchased Usborne Books and Enjoy the City Coupon Books. As a result of the Usborne Books sales we earned \$948 of free books for our classrooms. Through the coupon books sales we earned \$607.50 to help toward the soft surface for the playground.

**Snow or Ice Can Cause School Delay or Closure**



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As the days get colder, we are reminded that winter with snow and ice is just around the corner. Snow and ice sometimes causes school to be closed, delayed or dismissed early. In the event any of these become necessary, we will do what the Iowa City School District does. To determine if school will be closed, delayed or dismissed early, listen to local television and radio stations for any information on the Iowa City Community School District. There will not be a separate announcement for the Montessori School. You may also call the school to check the voice message.

**Pink Tower For The Holidays**

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Have you noticed our pink Tower Wish List in the lobby? A large scale pink Montessori Tower has been decorated with flags containing "wishes" from our school for holiday giving. This is a great way to find gift ideas for your teachers and your child's classroom. Your gifts are tax deductible. If you would like a tax deduction form, please check with Judy or Gordon.

**Winter Vacation**

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Winter vacation starts on Wednesday December 20th. The vacation lasts for two weeks. Students return to school on Wednesday January 3rd.

**Recycle For Trees**

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We recycle beverage cans and bottles. The money will be used to buy trees and shrubs for the school. Please make sure that the cans and bottles are stamped for Iowa recycling and that the bar code is intact. Water bottles cannot be recycled for cash. Thank you for your help.

**Child Check Is Coming To The Iowa City Area**

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Child Check is a free 45 minute screening of your child's vision, hearing, speech, developmental skills, fine motor, gross motor, behavior and social skills.

Child Check is available to all children born between September 16, 2002 and September 15, 2003. These children can start to kindergarten in 2008. Older children who may have missed last years screening, or a younger child you may have concerns about may come to this Child Check.

This is a free service offered by Grant Wood AEA. Appointments are needed. Please call as soon as possible to schedule your appointment time. Child Check locations and who to call are as follows.

Zion Lutheran Church, 310 N. Johnson Street, Iowa City. December 6 and 7, 2006. Call Barb at 351-2510

Hills Elementary. December 15, 2006. Call Kathy Stevens at 688-1105

Grant Wood AEA, 200 Holiday Road, Coralville. December 20, 21, and 22, 2006. Call Barb at 351-2510