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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

Montessori School of Iowa City Newsletter
September 8, 2006

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Room Parents

If you would like to help on special occasions in your child's classroom please let us know at the office. If you signed-up at the ice cream social we have your name.

Judy On Vacation

Judy will be on vacation from September 18 through October 19. Some of the days while she is away Marilynn Cook will be filling in for her. The rest of the time Gordon will be on his own.

New Staff Members

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**Jessa Mittman** began working with Mrs. C early spring last year. This past summer she started her Montessori training. This year she continues to work with Mrs. C in the morning and with Mrs. Bonjour and Beth in the afternoon. **Kathy Dumont** is our new Spanish teacher. She works on Tuesday and Thursday. Kathy has two children attending Montessori. One child is in the elementary class and the other is in a pre-school class. **Dmitri Petrov** started this year as an assistant teacher with Mrs. Kuehl and Tennille. He also assists with the extended day program. **Beth Darger** is an assistant teacher with Miss Anderson and Liz. She also assists with the extended day program. **Susan Cook** is substituting for Kirsten O'Sullivan in the elementary room for the first semester. We are pleased that they chose to be with us this year.

**PTO Meeting**

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The Montessori PTO will meet on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM.

The September meeting will be Thursday September 14th at 7:00 PM. We will be making plans for our fall festival and much more. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Student Pictures

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Student picture day is Friday September 22nd. Individual and class pictures will be taken. Parents may bring siblings to have their pictures taken.

**Student Drop-off and Pick-up**

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Student drop off and pick up has been going well. In an effort to make it even better, here are a couple of reminders. If you are going to leave your car to come into the building, please remember to park in one of the parking lots. The west parking lot is reserved for parents. For everyone's safety, please do not double park in the circle. Remember Gordon or Judy will be at the front door to help your child into the building. And, the teachers will help children out to the car at the end of their day. Thank you for your help in making drop off and pick up times safe and efficient.

Board of Trustees Meeting

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The Board of Trustees will meet on Saturday September 23rd at 9:30 AM in the school multi purpose room. You are welcome to attend.

**Recycle For Trees**

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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.

Box Tops For Education

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The PTO continues to collect Box Tops For Education. Each of the labels on select food products are redeemed by the school for ten cents. The money will go to help fund a soft surface under the play equipment on the playground. Please clip the coupons and bring them to school.

**Are You Planning To Help With Classroom Fieldtrips?**

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The Department of Human Services (DHS), which is the State of Iowa governing agency for preschools, requires that all persons who will be in the classroom or on field trips with children must have a criminal background check completed. If you believe you might be a room parent or go on classroom field trips, you must complete and return a criminal background check form. You may pick up the form from the office.

Flu Clinic Scheduled

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We have arranged with the Visiting Nurse Association again this year to have a flu clinic at the school. It has been scheduled for November 1st from 7:30 AM to 9:30 AM. You may want to mark your calendar. We will be sending more information later.

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