

Montclair Public Schools

EDGEMONT **M**ONTESSORI **S**CHOOL

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September 22, 2023

Good afternoon Edgemont families,

It was wonderful seeing everyone at our Back-to-School Night. Thank you for joining us, hearing about our programs and experiences, visiting the classrooms, and supporting the Edgemont Montessori Community. Please continue to connect with your child/ren's teachers as we move forward throughout the year. If you did not get a chance to speak with Mr. Mellman, please find his Back-to-School Night letter here.

This week we also recognized International Day of Peace with our Land Acknowledgement and Peace Parade. A huge thank you to Ms. Olivi, Ms. Lepari, Ms. Gunaydin, and Mr. Mellman for organizing this event.

Today we met with all students during an assembly to discuss our School Wide Expectations- the 3 B's! Please ask your child/ren about the bumble bees and our school wide expectations- be a respectful peacemaker, be a responsible learner, be a safe student.

A friendly reminder that the district is closed on Monday, September 25.

The 5th grade Student Council campaign and election will take place soon. We plan to meet with our 5th grade students over the next few weeks to discuss the process and expectations. We will share more soon!

Enrollment for the Fall after school enrichment program is currently open and will close on Tuesday September 26th. Don't forget to check out class offerings on Homeroom. There is still space for your child to try jump roping, gardening, skateboarding, improv, art and more!

We hope that all Edgemont families will join us for our third annual Hispanic Heritage celebration tonight, Friday, September 22 at 6:00PM, where we will celebrate Hispanic culture and community. The event is free and made possible by the PTA. Activities will include dancing with a Latin dance teacher, a Restorative Justice crafts table with Ms. Olivi and an outdoor movie. You can bring your own food or you can purchase tacos and quesadillas from Taqueria Los Gueros. Please also bring blankets and chairs for the outdoor screening. The PTA is also looking for volunteers so sign up here: https://signup.com/go/bXOtvym

Please remember, our doors open at **8:10AM**, and instruction begins at **8:20AM**. Please make every effort to have your child arrive <u>before</u> 8:20AM.

During arrival and dismissal, please do not double park, block driveways, nor park on the right side of Edgemont Road. Our buses have an extremely difficult time navigating our local streets and our children have a difficult time crossing at crosswalks.

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For this school year, **lunch applications** must be submitted to determine a student's eligibility for free/reduced meals. Please access the 2023-24 online lunch application; it is important to submit the completed application as soon as possible (please note only one application is needed per household).

Please note, our building is **peanut and tree nut aware**. We have children in every grade with severe allergies to peanuts and tree nuts, as well as other food items. These allergies can be life threatening if the child were to be exposed to any of these allergens. Please be mindful of the food you send in with your child for lunch. We understand that this may cause some inconvenience, but hope that each of you will take care when sending in food with your child. We thank you for your ongoing cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Nurse Alfaro at galfaro@montclair.k12.nj.us.

The Kiwanis Club of Montclair is collecting new or gently used sneakers, athletic shoes and sturdy hiking or work boots. Collection bins are placed in the front entryway.

School Lunch Application can be found here: https://www.nlappscloud.com/

Lunch Menu information can be found here: https://www.fdmealplanner.com/

Merchandise can be found here: https://edgemontessori.memberhub.com/store

Take care.

Briony Carr-Clemente

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Important Date/Reminders:

Our doors open at *8:10AM*.

Drop-off takes place between *8:10AM-8:20AM*.

Dismissal is at *2:35PM*.

Hispanic Heritage Month- PTA evening event- Friday, September 22

District Closed- Monday, September 25

