JANUARY 4, 2016 BI-WEEKLY ISSUE EIGHT





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### WAUSAU AREA MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL

### HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

# **Holiday Concert 2015**



















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## Change of Schedule for Parent Connect & Gov. Council Mtgs.

The Parent Connect and Governance Council meetings have been changed as follows:

- Parent Connect: 2nd Tuesday of each month beginning 1/12. Start time remains 3:30.
- Governance Council Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of each month beginning 1/12. Start time remains 4:30.

### Open Enrollment & Open Houses

The **Open Enrollment** Application timeline for the 2016-17 school year has been set by DPI.

The public school open enrollment application period:

- Begins at midnight on Monday, February 1, 2016, and

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- ends at Saturday, April 30, 2016 at 4:00 PM.

More information may be obtained at the DPI website - <a href="http://oe.dpi.wi.gov/">http://oe.dpi.wi.gov/</a>. If you have questions please contact Sheryl Kazda at 715-261-0570.

Every year we also hold **Open Houses** for those parents and students who have interest in attending our school. These are held monthly. Please let families who have interest in Montessori aware of these dates.

#### Open House Dates: All times are 4:30-6:30pm

- January 28, February 25, March 17, & April 14

## **Snow Reminders & Safety Precautions**

Now that snow has finally come it is important to remember important information and safety precautions as follows:

- If the Wausau School District cancels school due to weather, we are closed. We follow all district policies relative to school closings. Announcements for these closing are made through school messenger and on local television and radio stations.
- Have Kids Prepared to be Outside: Please send kids with appropriate winter gear as they will be outside for recess. If they want to play in the snow they must have gloves, snow pants, boots, winter jackets and hats. We do have some spare hats and gloves in our lost and found if needed.
- There is not set policy on how cold it must be before we stay inside for recess. However, we do use zero degrees (temperature and "feels like" which takes into consideration the wind chill).
- When snow arrives there are several things we discuss with the kids to ensure safety during recess. Please be sure to review these with your children.

- No throwing snow in any way.
- We cannot allow kids to climb snow hills created from plowing. They are too high and could cause injury from falling, slipping, tripping, etc.
- Winter gear must be worn to play in the snow & go sledding on the hill at Horace Mann.
- If winter gear is not worn, students still have the opportunity to play on the playground where there is no snow.

### Parent Connection - Upcoming Important Dates

January

5<sup>th</sup> – Grades 4 -6 to the School Forest

12<sup>th</sup> – Parent Connect Meeting 3:30, Governance Counsel Meeting 4:30 (Child Care Provided)

28th - Montessori Open House 4:30 -6:30 pm

29th - Virtues Assembly 8:30 am,

 $29^{th}$  – Family Bowling Night 5:30 – 7 pm

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#### February

9<sup>th</sup> - Mr. Patten's Birthday

9<sup>th</sup> – Parent Connect Meeting 3:30, Governance Counsel Meeting 4:30 (Child Care Provided)

12<sup>th</sup> – Valentine Dance 5:30 – 7 pm

19th - North American Hoodie Hoo Day - High Noon

26th - Virtues Assembly 8:30 am,

26<sup>th</sup> - Peace Concert 2- 3:30 pm

#### March

2<sup>nd</sup> - Read Across America (Guest Readers)

4th - Family Sledding Night 5-7:30 pm

15<sup>th</sup> – Parent Connect Meeting 3:30, Governance Counsel Meeting 4:30 (Child Care Provided)

9<sup>th</sup> – Ms. Bailey's Birthday

17<sup>th</sup> - Montessori Open House 4:30 – 6:30 pm

23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> – Spring Parent Teacher Conferences

24th - Virtues Assembly 8:30 am

#### April

7<sup>th</sup> – Grades k-3 to the School Forest

8<sup>th</sup> – Parent Connect Meeting 3:30, Governance Counsel Meeting 4:30 (Child Care Provided)

13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> – Talent Showcase Tryouts – 3:30 pm

14<sup>th</sup> – Montessori Open House 4:30 -6:30 pm

15<sup>th</sup> – Family Swim Night 4:30 pm

22<sup>nd</sup> – Earth Day Celebration

29<sup>th</sup> – Virtues Assembly 8:30 am

#### May

2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Teacher Appreciation Week

5<sup>th</sup> – Cinco De Mayo Celebration

6<sup>th</sup> – Ms. Stacey's Birthday

9<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> – Penny Wars

10<sup>th</sup> – Parent Connect Meeting 3:30, Governance Counsel 4:30 (Child Care Provided)

20<sup>th</sup> – Mr. Wridt's Birthday, Montessori Talent Showcase 6-7:30 pm

26th - Virtues Assembly 8:30 am

### **WSD Information**

Check out **E-Flyers** for the latest non-profit community and school-sponsored events. You can access E-Flyers <a href="here">here</a> or by clicking on the E-Flyers button on the top bar of the WSD website.

For information on **Volunteering** click <a href="here">here</a> or by clicking on Volunteer Info on the WSD website under the Parents tab.

Information on **WSD Board** Meetings can be found by clicking <u>here</u> or by clicking on Board Information under the District tab on the WSD website.

### **Bi-Weekly Planner**

#### Week of January 4th

1/4: Dr. Williams Visit, 8:30-10:30am

1/5: 4th-6th to School Forest

1/5-1/8: Art Cluster

#### Week of January 11th

1/12: Parent Connect Meeting, 3:30pm

1/12: Governance Council Meeting, 4:30pm

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