

AUGUST NEWSLETTER



Welcome to our new families and welcome back to our returning ones! Special welcome to Emma, Nula and Zakariya, who have come to us from different schools and Suzanna, Vera who is having their first experience in a school environment. We also would like to welcome Arisha and Theo joining us from the toddler community. It is such a pleasure to write to you and let you know some of the wonderful things happening in our room this month. We are excited to begin another year full of challenging and fun class work. It is hard to believe that we have started the school year just a week ago. I am very happy and proud to see the older children help the new children to get settled. They are very polite and courteous to their new friends by often showing them how do we eat snack, clean a spill, carry a tray, or roll a rug. We usually start the year with Grace and Courtesy lessons, these help the children become oriented to the prepared environment. These activities also serve as tools for functioning in the classroom, using



THEO CUTTING BANANA



ARISHA STRINGING BEADS



NULA USING A SCREWDRIVER



UPCOMING EVENTS

1. AUGUST 17 - MATERIAL MORNING
2. AUGUST 31 - MARIA MONTESSORI'S BIRTHDAY
3. SEPTEMBER 3 - LABOR DAY, SCHOOL CLOSED
4. SEPTEMBER 7 - FAMILY PICNIC
5. SEPTEMBER 21 - PEACE DAY
6. SEPTEMBER 24-28 THIRD YEAR PRIMARY ELEMENTARY EXPERIENCE
7. SEPTEMBER 28-29 - JOURNEY AND DISCOVERY - GREAT EDUCATION EVENT FOR NEW PARENTS!

Here are some of the ways to support your child's independence the Montessori way at home: Dressing & undressing, folding own blanket, washing hands, putting on one's shoes, nose blowing, buttoning, velcro®-ing, snapping, zipping, tying, lacing, and buckling, brushing one's hair & teeth, pouring water from a jug to a glass.

Children love to pick their own clothes, give them two options—the red dress or the blue dress. Make sure the clothing is easy for children to put on by themselves. For younger children, skip the belts, buckles, and buttons. Opt for easy-on/easy-off clothing. Remember, children will have to use the bathroom at school so make it as easy as possible for them and avoid accidents. This independence boosts the child's confidence.