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**THE Hockessin
Montessori**
SCHOOL
Educating For Life 12 Months - 8th Grade



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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TONIGHT, October 29, 6:00-8:00 PM

Upper Elementary & Middle School Haunted Adventure

The whole family is invited to this Haunted Adventure! Although everyone is invited, 6:00 - 7:00PM the fun is geared towards the younger children (Toddlers and Children's House Students) with sing-alongs, stories, and face painting, but at 7:00PM the evening turns a bit spookier with our Elementary and Middle School students performing scary story-telling. There will also be delicious baked goods and a gingerbread haunted house raffle. Admission is \$4 per person/child and ALL proceeds benefit UNICEF.

INNISBROOK FUNDRAISER - TOMORROW IS THE FINAL DAY TO ORDER!

Remember, if you, your family, or friends choose to purchase any items, the school receives a 50% donation from all sales. All ordering can be done online. At checkout, print a voucher to return to HMS with payment (payable to HMS). Thanks for your support!

Additional Day of School

Please make note of the change to the Winter Break and the Vacation Care Schedule. Students will have a full day of school on Monday, December 21. Tuesday morning, December 22 will be the Winter Music Program and Ethnic Day Celebration followed by a Noon Dismissal (no extended care). Any parents who had originally registered for Vacation Care for December 22 will find a credit on their account.

Requirements for Release of Students (Separated or Divorced Families)

Any Students who are from Separated or Divorced Families, there is form that should be completed and returned to school ASAP to be kept in your child's records. Please

Alexis Kupchik

Toddler 1

Baden Sprinkle

Children's House 2

Jacob Mackara

Children's House 2

Johnny Carvalho

Children's House 3

Brandon Smith

Children's House 3

Park Komacek

Children's House 4

Zachary Pantle

Lower Elementary 1

Annabel Riet

Lower Elementary 2

Andrew Beer

Upper Elementary

Sean Cochran

Upper Elementary

Laura Hannagan

Music Teacher

**ANNUAL GIVING
CAMPAIGN THANK
YOU!**

**WE ARE PLEASED TO
THANK
MANY OF OUR
FAMILIES,
GRANDPARENTS,
FRIENDS AND STAFF
FOR SUPPORTING OUR
2009-2010 ANNUAL
CAMPAIGN.**

Middle School

- Lynn and Mike Paxson *HMS Family*
- Mersman Family

download a Custody Verification Form from our school website, it can be found in the General Information Section of the Parent's Login.

CALENDAR



**for our updated
November School Calendar.**

Friday, October 30, 9:00AM

Halloween Parade for Children's House, Lower Elementary, Upper Elementary, and Middle School students

If the weather is nice, the students will parade around the Athletic Field to show off their Halloween best. The festivities will move inside for inclement weather. Parents are invited to stop by and enjoy the Parade too!

Friday, October 30, 10:00AM - UNICEF Carnival

Lower Elementary classes will host the UNICEF Carnivals and donate all proceeds to UNICEF. All students (Toddler - Middle School) will visit Lower Elementary and play carnival games created by the students. They ask for a minimum of \$1 per child donation.

Sunday, November 1 - Daylight Saving Time Ends "Fall Back"

**Monday, November 2 & Tuesday, November 3 -
SCHOOL CLOSED**

Parent Teacher Conferences - If you have not done so yet, please sign up for a time to meet with your child's teachers. Sign Up sheets are located at the main entrance or classroom doors. Vacation Care for these two days is now closed and we are unable to accommodate any more children.

November 3, 5 and 6

Middle School Immersion Week Field Trips

Students will visit The Constitution Center in Philadelphia on Tuesday, then on Thursday and Friday the students will visit a local farm to learn the trade and work the farm.

Wednesday, November 4, 6:00PM

Parent Education: Montessori in the Home

The Montessori at Home Program helps to bridge the gap between a child's time at home with their time at HMS by helping parents create consistency between what the child has learned in school with what the child does at home. This will help create smoother transitions from one school year to the next and help your child achieve greater independence

*HMS Family &
Board Member*

- Joan Henry *HMS Grandparent*
- Janette Henry *HMS Family & Staff Member*

Upper Elementary

- Edson & Silvana Silveira *HMS Family*
- Sally Cochran *HMS Grandparent*

Lower Elementary

- Ronald & Julie Anne Brown *HMS Grandparents*
- Gilliam Family *HMS Family & Staff Member*

Children's House

- Ahuja Family *HMS Family & Staff Member*
- Marine Family *HMS Family & Staff Member*
- Marchiani Family *HMS Family & Staff Member*
- Mouldsdale Family *HMS Family & Staff Member*

Alumni

- Nolan Family *Alumni Family*
- Lucente Family *Alumni Family & Board Member*
- Chitra Family *Alumni Family & Board Member*

HMS Staff

- 100% participation by our HMS

and respect. This session will include a guide to get you started, age appropriate activities to include in your home, discipline techniques, and a question and answer session.

Session taught by Caroline Mouldsdale, Children's House Head Teacher and Parent Education Director. HMS families and friends welcome - RSVP today to Caroline at cmouldsdale@TheHMS.org.

Friday, November 6, 6:00 PM - Book Fair Kick Off * Pizza & Bingo Night

Monday, November 9 through Friday, November 13 - HMS Scholastics Book Fair

The HMS Scholastics Book Fair is an annual fundraiser for the school and the library - it a great way to support HMS and get a little shopping done too. You can find something for everyone of all ages to enjoy. The Book Fair kicks off with a great family event - Pizza and Bingo Night and the following week the Fair is open every day at 8:00AM. Watch your Inbox for more information in the coming weeks.

Wednesday, November 11

Vacation Care Registration Deadline for 11/25

Parents can find the form at www.TheHMS.org in the Gold Login Tab in the "General Information" section.

Wednesday, November 11

Clem Bowen Visits

In house field trip for Toddler 2 and Children's House 4 - Clem Bowen will visit to share his very creative stories and songs with the children.

Thursday, November 12, 6:00PM

HMS Annual Cultural Fair

HMS is excited to host our Annual Cultural Fair - this event gives HMS families and friends the opportunity to share their cultural background, heritage, and history with the school community. Students and parents are encouraged to work together to research their cultural heritage and use that information to put together a visual display which will be exhibited at the evening event. The students are free to focus on any aspect of their culture. Students are permitted to provide samples of food if it is relevant to their presentation or display, please just remember HMS has a nut-free policy. Thank you for your support to our event, your participation will make this a memorable and educational experience for the children.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Toddlers get into the Halloween Spirit!

Teachers and Staff!





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Sincerely,
The Hockessin Montessori School

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