



Date Change

Parent/Teacher Conferences Now in February

School will be closed Thurs. Feb 25 and Fri. Feb 26

Please, sign up for your conference in the classroom starting February 8th

In response to parent's and teacher's needs, we have moved our April Parent/Teacher Conference to February. We will still send home the Spring Developmental Summary the end of April, but there will not be Parent/Teacher Conferences in April. School will now be open on April 29th and 30th. At this conference the teachers will talk about your child's growth and development. They will also, give recommendations for your child's placement for summer and next year. Please, bring your questions also. This way we can work in partnership with you.

We ask that you do not bring your child to the conference. If you have someone who can watch your child, please make arrangements with that person. If you have no one to watch your child, please call the office. We will have someone watch children in the staff room.

Mandala Children's House

SUMMER AND FALL REGISTRATION FOR 2010/2011.

Begins Tuesday March 2nd

Information letter will be mailed home the middle of February



Parent Workshop

Dragon Mommy

Managing My Anger, Exhaustion & Loss of "Me-Time"

Wed. Feb. 24, 2010 · 7:00-8:30 pm

Location: Mandala Office

Childcare \$10 per child: must reserve by calling 251-8633

This is a workshop for every mom out there who has ever "lost it" with her kids."

This is for every mom who has asked herself, "How could I have said that?" and then wondered where her "Better Self" went. This is for every mom who has ever felt frustrated, guilty, or resentful, and has questioned her ability to be a "good mother." This is for every mom who has dreamed of alone time, wished for time-off, and thought, "Why is this so hard?"

This is a workshop for all of us, because we've all been there!

Come join the circle around our table and let's explore these challenges together.

Marilyn Drino and Anne Kangas will facilitate this interactive workshop. We will talk about our "Dragon Mommy" and learn how we can we take better care of ourselves to get what we need.

We will discuss tools to manage our anger and strategies for calming ourselves.

We will gain support for the very, very difficult job of mothering that we do every day.

Have Your Child's Vision Checked Before Starting Kindergarten



I recommend that you take your child to an Ophthalmologist or Developmental Optometrist before he starts kindergarten. Children learn to compensate and sometimes have vision problems that are not detected without a complete vision screening. The exam at the pediatrician's is not that accurate. Please, call me if you have any questions or need some resources.

Registering Your Child for Kindergarten



If you have a child that will be starting kindergarten next year, you will need to register him/her at the school he/she will be attending. Some districts and private schools have already started the registration process. Others will start in March or April. If you are going to register your child in public school, call your local school or the district office to find out when they start accepting registration and what you need to bring when you go to register your child. Make sure you register as soon as you can. If you wait until summer to register in public school your local school could be full and your child will have to attend another school. If you have any questions about schools, call Anne or me. We have some knowledge of a variety of schools or we may be able to get you in touch with a parent attending a particular school



Board News

WANTED: NEW BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2010/2011

We are looking for number of new board members for next year. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know more about the school and to support its policies and values. Please, don't automatically say, "Oh, I'm not qualified." The fact that you are an interested parent qualifies you. So start thinking about it and when the Board of Directors sends home more information later in the month, you will be ready to respond.

Fundraising

E-Waste Drop Off.....Saturday, March 6.....9:00am to 3:00pm



You may drop your e-waste off one of two ways. Bring to the School on Saturday and unload it at the truck in the parking lot. **If you can't come on Saturday**, you may bring your e-waste to the office anytime the week before. We will take it to the truck for you on Saturday. **What we take:** Computers, laptops, monitors, TVs, telephones, cell phones, printers, fax machines, copy machines, CD/DVD players, stereo equipment, microwave ovens, PC boards, cable, wire, computer scrap, keyboards/mice. Need help removing e-waste? Call Rose 251-8633 or email at rhosebud@yahoo.com.



Spring See's Candy Sale

The Spring See's Candy Sale is going on. Catalogs were put in your child's folder. If you need more catalogs, come by the office. This is a great way to get your Easter candy and help Mandala at the same time. You get to avoid the lines at the candy store. Orders are due at the school with money on February 17th.

Drop and Go Recycling Day – Every Wednesday



Two bins will be in the parking lot every Wednesday from 9am to 4pm. We are collecting #1 plastics (water bottles, soda bottles, juice bottles,) #2 plastics (1/2 and 1 gallon milk jugs) and Aluminum cans. Remember, to rinse out bottles and cans. We will continue to collect cans and bottles in the bins by the office and preschool patio.



For people taking the Child Care tax credit, our tax id number is: 94-2371426.