Hillsview Montessori School

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Dates to Remember

September 9 - First Day of school
September 22 – Photo Day
September 23 – "Sound of the Week" Sharing Begins
September 28 – Photo 'Retake' Day
September 28 – Scholastic Book Order Due

September Birthdays

Audrey P. – 9/8
Juniper B. – 9/19
Oakley E. – 9/22
Quenton A. – 9/30

On your child's birthday you may bring treats for the classroom. **Due to health code, treats must be store bought and in the original container.** We prefer you bring something small (like mini cupcakes, 2 bite brownies, fruit snacks, etc.). We enjoy celebrating each child's birthday and would love for you to bring in or text pictures of your child on their birthday. Include a photo from their birth and one for each birthday they have had. Please coordinate birthday celebrations with your child's teacher.

Parent Handbook

Every family was emailed or given a printed copy of the current Parent Handbook. If you did not receive one, or if you prefer a hard copy, please ask Miss Cheryl for one. The handbook should answer many of the questions you may have regarding your child's education and what is expected at Hillsview Montessori. Please make sure you read through the handbook carefully and feel free to ask any questions you may have. Don't forget to sign the acknowledgement form on the last page and give it to Miss Cheryl if you have not already done so.

Scholastic Book Orders

We will send home flyers for Scholastic book orders early next week. The school will earn points for every order you place that we can then use to purchase books and supplies for the classrooms. You can order from the flyer or online (there are more book selections online as well). Go to https://clubs.scholastic.com and type code NZ3BN to connect to Hillsview. The teacher is Cheryl Olson but all orders benefit the entire school. Thank you for your support!

Photo Day

We are excited to have Angie Tabaczynski at angietabzphoto.com returning this year for photo day! An information flyer is attached to this email. **You don't need to do anything before photo day** – everything will be managed online. Purchase options and prices will be available once the images are ready. You may bring siblings that day for photos as well, just let your child's teacher know you would like to do that. All photos are taken outside.

Lunch Time

If your child attends the morning class or one of the full-day classes, they will be here for lunch and need to bring a lunch from home each day.

Lunchtime is a great opportunity for the Montessori "Grace and Courtesy" lessons. This is also a time for your child to become more independent. You can help by making sure that all containers are easy for your child to open and close. It is important to let your child be a part of preparing their lunch each day. See the Parent Handbook and our website for lunch guidelines and ideas. We ask that you provide two cloth napkins and appropriate eating utensils in your child's lunch box every day. We have a variety of cloth napkins available for purchase. They are handmade, child-sized and cost $10 for a set of two napkins. If you are making napkins for your child a good size is approximately 9x13.

Hillsview Tee Shirts For Sale

We have a variety of Hillsview tee shirts available from years past. White tees are $5 each and the colored tees are $10.

September Snack Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
		9/9 Goldfish Crackers and Apple Slices	9/10 Ritz Crackers with Peanut Butter
9/14 Cheez-it Crackers and Craisins	9/15 Wheat Thin Crackers with Apple Slices	9/16 Ritz Crackers with Cheese Sticks	9/17 Graham Crackers with Nutella
9/21 Goldfish Crackers with Pineapple	9/22 Cheez-it Crackers with Apple Slices	9/23 Saltine Crackers with Cheddar Cheese	9/24 Ritz Crackers with Peanut Butter
9/28 Pretzels with Cheese Sticks	9/29 Wheat Thin Crackers with Mandarins	9/30 Goldfish Crackers with Peanuts	10/1 Graham Crackers with Nutella

Sharing

Sound of the Week sharing will begin on Wednesday, September 23rd. The sound of the week will be posted on the school calendar which you can access from our website. The children may bring an item that has the sound (for example, 'apple' for 'a'; key for 'k'; octopus for 'o'. Be creative and have your child practice sharing at home so they will feel more confident sharing with the class. Make sure that whatever they bring will fit in their backpack!

Sept. 23 – "c"

Sept. 30 – "a"

Drop-off and Pick Up line Directions

***Everyone will be given a car number for the pickup line**. If you hold them up as you get closer to the pickup area it helps the line to go more smoothly and quickly.
***Pull forward as far as you can** to accommodate as many cars as possible in the parking lot. We want to avoid having the line back-up onto Borges Road.
***Have your child exit and enter your vehicle on the curb side** (if you need more time to load your child(ren) up you can pull out of the line and park in one of the parking spots to finish buckling, get snacks, etc.).
***Be patient and wait to pull out after the car in front of you has pulled out** unless you are directed by one of the teachers to pull forward.
***Refrain from using your cell phone** while in the drop-off/pick up line.
***Please do not park in the parking lot and walk up to drop-off or pick-up your child.**
***At drop-off time**, keep your children in your car until you see your child's teacher at the drop off area.

***DO NOT get in line to drop-off or pick up until the following times**: Miss Cheryl's & Miss Julie's class drop-off line will begin at 7:45am and pick up is at 3:45pm. If you arrive early, wait in a parking spot until that time. Miss Skylynn's morning class will start drop-off when you see her at the curb at 8:00am and 12:30pm for the afternoon class. Pickup is at Noon for the morning class and 3:30pm for the afternoon class. Please be aware of who has arrived before you and be patient as you move into the line.

We want everyone to be safe and we do our best to keep the line moving as efficiently and as quickly as possible. Please make sure that all caregivers who will be dropping off and picking up get this information. Thank you!