



Fountain Valley Montessori

March 2025 Newsletter

Important Dates:

Friday, March 7th

Parent/ Teacher Conferences

Monday, March 10th

Re-Enrollment Forms Due

Tuesday, March 11th

Spring Picture Day
RM 1, 2, & 3

Wednesday, March 12th

Spring Picture Day
RM 4 & 5

Thursday, March 13th

Spring Picture Day
RM 6 & 7

Monday, March 17th

St. Patrick's Day

Monday, March 24th

Spring Fling Donations Due

Monday, March 31st

Raffle Tickets on Sale!

Happy Birthday...

Ms. Ana – 8th

Ms. Gassia – 11th

Ms. Juliana-18th

Parent-Teacher Conferences Friday, March 7th

You can sign up for either an in-person conference or a phone conference with the lead teacher. A sign-up sheet will be available by your child's classroom. Please note that school will be closed on conference day. If you are unable to attend or need to reschedule, please let us know, and the teachers can arrange an alternate time to meet with you.

Re-Enrollment: Re-enrollment will be taking place for the upcoming summer and the **2025-2026 School Year** between **Monday, February 24th - Monday, March 10th**. We offer placement for summer and fall to existing students before we open to our wait list. We have emailed the packet out, let us know if you have not received it.

Please make sure to return your re-enrollment forms no later than **Monday, March 10th**, to ensure placement for the upcoming summer sessions and fall. We will open enrollment to new students after this date and will be unable to guarantee any late registrations we receive.

Morning Drop Off/Afternoon Pick up: Classes start promptly at **9:00 am** and conclude at **12:00 pm** for our **half-day students** and **3:00pm** for our **full day students**. There is a 15-minute grace period during morning drop-off. We encourage all students to be dropped off during the grace period, to ensure a smooth transition into their school day.



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Room 1- Ms. Gassia & Ms. Vivian

February was a month full of love! Thank you for your enthusiastic participation! The children shared love and friendship with each other. Ms. Vivian and I would like to thank everyone for the sweet cards, flowers, and chocolates! You are so thoughtful and generous.

Children enjoyed learning about the continent of Europe and its countries. This month we will be traveling across the continent of Asia into the beautiful continent of Australia! We will be exploring the unique animals, the famous landmarks, and will learn about the native Aborigine people and their culture. We will watch a documentary about the Great Barrier Reef, the world's largest coral reef system located on the east coast of Australia, and we will make our animals aboriginal art to be displayed outside our class.

We will also listen to aboriginal music from Australia. For Spanish class, the children will learn names of animals. In zoology, children will learn about parts of a frog and its life cycle. To make it extra special, we will make Australian fairy bread, a treat that children in Australia enjoy at their birthday parties, as a cooking activity in class.

We are hopeful to find the pot of gold left by the leprechaun on St. Patrick's Day as we watch out for his shenanigans! Please have your child wear green on Friday, March 17th as we celebrate this fun event. We will be doing a cute art project to decorate our room and welcome our little green friend! As you know, the greatest children's books author, Dr. Seuss's birthday, is celebrated worldwide on March 2nd. I encourage the children to bring their favorite Dr. Seuss book to share and read throughout the month. This is also a great opportunity for us to practice our rhyming word skills! Please be sure to write your child's name on the book they bring.

I look forward to seeing you all on Friday, March 7th for parent teacher conferences. We can also have a phone conference if you please.

Have a great month ahead!

Happy Birthday- Maylie Sia, March 8th- Alice Byford, March 20th

Reminders:

March 7th- Parent teacher conference day.

March 11th-Picture Day!

March 17th-St Patrick's Day- Wear Green

March 24th- Spring Raffles Basket items due

March 31st- Spring Raffle





Room 2 – Ms. Kimmari & Ms. Juliana:

Thank you for making February such a special month! It was certainly filled with love and plenty of sweet treats! We enjoyed discovering the parts of a fish, parts of a flower and had a great time dissecting a flower and exploring its parts. We enjoyed traveling to the continent of Africa and learning about the beautiful landmarks, culture, traditions and animals unique to that continent.

We will be getting right back into the swing of things in March. We will be traveling to the continent of Europe, learning about its diverse culture, stunning architecture, iconic landmarks, picturesque landscape, and animals of Europe. We will learn how to say “hello” and numbers from 1-10 in French and Spanish. Towards the end of the study, we will watch a documentary on Europe, reviewing the places of interest and animals.

For our Botany lesson, we'll learn about the parts of a seed, its functions, and different types of seeds. We will germinate green beans to observe the germination process. Our Zoology lesson will focus on learning about the parts of a frog and its life cycle.

We will study about the artist, Claude Monet, and work on his famous Water Lilies. We will listen to popular songs by artists from across Europe. The children will be learning the days of the week for Spanish.

You can be sure that a little green friend will be visiting our class and will be up to some shenanigans this March! St. Patrick's Day would not be the same without a little tomfoolery and we hope to have a little bit of our own in Room 2. We will make some St. Patrick's Day art to decorate our room. Please have your child wear green on Monday, March 17th

Room 2 chefs will make buttered spaghetti, a simple and classic Italian dish, as a cooking activity in the class...Yum!!

Please make sure to sign up for parent teacher conferences coming up on Friday, March 7th. I look forward to seeing you all. We can also have a phone conference if you please.

Have a great month ahead!

Happy Birthday: Taylor Vo 3/14, Ms. Juliana 3/18

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March 7th -Parent/ Teacher Conferences

March 10th - Enrollment Due

March 11th -Picture Day for Room 2 children

March 17th -St Patrick's Day- Wear Green

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Room-3 Ms. Bea and Ms. Michelle

February was an enjoyable month in Room 3! We continued to explore the continent of Asia. We learned about some of the traditions and languages of people from the countries of Asia. We also learned all about Living and Non-living things. The children had fun working on Lunar New Year and Valentine's Day art to make our room look fun and festive for the occasion. They were excited to celebrate Valentine's Day and had lots of fun passing out and receiving their goodie bags, treats and the books they exchanged with each other. Thank you to everyone for your participation.

This month we will continue our journey through the seven continents. We will be visiting the continent of Africa. We will be learning about some of the natural landmarks and about the unique animals of the continent such as the Giraffe, Wildebeest, Zebra, and Spotted hyena. These are sure to fascinate the children. We will be talking about Community helpers and their importance in our communities. I will ask the children to pick their favorite community helper, and we will do a special project.

We will be making beautiful mask, traditionally found in African for monthly art project. We will also be listening to the sounds of the African drums. In Spanish we will focus on common names of family members. For our cooking project we will make green lemonade to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. The children will squeeze their own lemon juice for the project.

March will be exciting as we decorate our room with some special St. Patrick's Day art to make our room look green and festive for that day! We might even have a special small green person visit our room! Looking forward to the month ahead with your children.

Happy Birthday: Brooklyn March 6th & Niveen March 7th

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Room 4- Ms. Yasmin and Ms. Erika

Happy March! Last month gave the children a chance to learn about kindness and love. They also explored their creative side and enjoyed recreating Jim Dine's artwork. Thank you to all the parents for your gifts and Valentine Day cards! The children had an amazing time passing out their Valentines as they enjoyed their Pizza Party!

For the month of March, we will be touring the southern hemisphere and will visit Australia. We will focus on landmarks of Australia and learn about the physical features. We will also be learning about the most iconic features of Australia. The Australian outback, the Mariana trench and the scenic coasts will be interesting information for the children. I am sure they will be excited to learn about the unique animals, especially the koala bear, the kangaroo, and the wombat. For zoology, we will learn about the lifecycle of a butterfly and parts of an insect. I know they will enjoy my presentation of the lifecycle of a butterfly! We will also focus on learning about measuring temperature. For botany, we will learn about parts of a seed. For our Spanish lesson we will be focusing on parts of a seed. Our study of the land and water forms will focus on water bodies such as lakes, archipelago, and harbor. The children will listen to the musical instrument called Didgeridoo. This is a wind instrument developed by the aboriginal people from north Australia. It has a distinct sound and is popular even today. We will also learn about the famous abstract artwork of Wassily Kandinsky. Our writing project will be focused on short sentences about St. Patrick's Day and Dr. Seuss as we celebrate his birthday on March 2nd.

We encourage all children to bring items such as pictures, trophies, medals, or books for share day every Friday. They can also share an experience verbally. PLEASE do not send toys as they are a distraction for all.

Our heartfelt thanks to all parents for all the Valentine cards and treats!
Have a great month ahead!

Reminders:

March 7th- Parent Teacher Conferences

March 12th- Spring Pictures

March 17th-St Patrick's Day- Wear Green

March 10th- Enrollment Due

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Room 4 Upper Elementary – Ms. Neranja & Ms. Marian:

"May the road rise to meet you"—Irish Proverb

March ushers in the promise of spring and reminds us of the swiftly approaching end of the school year. In celebration of Dr. Seuss's birthday on March 2nd, we will engage in a variety of literary activities. Dr. Seuss's imaginative stories not only make reading and learning enjoyable but also spark lively discussions on diverse topics such as conservation, perseverance, and self-discovery.

Cultural Units

- Cultural Geography: Australia/ Culture /Monuments and Country research/ 50 States Study
- Physical geography: Types of Weather/ Astronomy Concepts/ Types of Islands/ Reefs
- Botany: Anatomy of a Deciduous Tree/ Anatomy of a Trunk and Dendrochronology/ Types of Barks and Patterns of nature/ Review Plant Kingdom Chart
- Zoology: Life Cycles/ Parts of an egg/ Anatomy of a Bat.
- Creative Writing – Dr. Seuss writing projects/Legend of Saint Patrick/ Limericks.
- Biology: The Nervous System
- History: Ancient civilizations
- Science: Forces of Motion/parts of a bicycle/ airplane
- Computers: Typing and Publishing
- Peace Education: Polite Ways to Disagree/ Opinions vs. Facts
- Art: Georgia O'Keefe inspired Succulent Still Life with stippling Art

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On Friday, March 7th, we will be closed for Parent-Teacher Conferences. This is an opportunity for us to discuss your child's progress in class and goals for the remainder of the school year. Please be sure to sign up.

Our class is going to have an enjoyable month and we hope you and your family have a magnificent March!

Happy Birthday to Wesley Lau 4th, Isha and Rudra Butta 20th.





March 2025 – Room 5 Ms. Gloria & Ms. Gurpreet

February was a short month full of love! Here is how we plan on spending the month of March.

We will be reading books written by Dr. Seuss in honor of his birthday on March 2nd. His books teach children how to rhyme and have fun with words. Please feel free to send a Dr. Seuss book for share on Friday. Our cooking project for the month will be themed around his book, Green Eggs & Ham. We will be making green eggs and ham in class, and I will let you know who will be brave enough to eat that!

With African drums beating...dum..dum..dum..we are going on a safari to Africa to discover the countries and its geographic region on the world map. We will learn about the unique animals, the people and their lives, their food and clothing. I will also introduce them to the flags of some countries. We will listen to sounds of African drumbeats and the great artist Tinga Tinga and her art will be introduced for art class. The children will work on silhouettes of animals gazing at the sunset.

Our Spanish lesson for March is all about transportation. The children will be learning about the modes of transportation, by air, land or water. We will learn the terms for vehicles in Spanish class as well. We will also learn about parts of a turtle, work on three-part cards and puzzles.

Please take a moment to check your child's cubby and replenish extra clothes as needed bearing in mind that the size of clothes available may be too small for your growing child. Please replenish clothes with the correct sizes so they can be used when needed.

Thank you for signing up for snack. If you have not had that opportunity, I encourage you to sign up for March. Your child gets to have many privileges on that day as the line leader, calendar person, weather reporter and teacher's helper. If you cannot get a date for a snack, please email me so I can reserve a date for your child to be a snack host. Please bring the two food groups that are listed on the signup sheet sufficient for 24 children.

Please note that the Parent/Teacher conferences are on Friday, March 7th. Please reserve time to speak with me in person or on the phone. If the time does not suit you, I will make myself available to you on another day.

Happy Birthday: Clyde – 03/15

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March 10th- Enrollment Due

March 12th-Picture Day for Room 5 children

March 17th-St Patrick's Day- Wear Green

March 24th- Spring Raffles Basket items due

March 31st- Spring Raffle





Room 6: Ms. Enoka and Ms. Lindsay

Last month we explored the smallest continent, Australia. We learned about many fascinating animals such as the marsupials and about the Great Barrier Reef. Children also had a chance to witness the process of seed germination right in our classroom.

This month, we are going to learn about the continent of Europe. We'll explore its famous landmarks such as the Eiffel Tower, Leaning Tower of Pisa, ancient castles and ruins. Along with landmarks, we will learn about some of the animals native to the continent. Throughout the month, we'll listen to classical music by Beethoven and Mozart. Our artist of the month is Wassily Kandinsky. We are going to replicate his famous artwork, "Many Circles"

For the subject of Botany, children will be introduced to the parts of a flower. They will be dissecting a flower to observe all the parts inside and out. This is a good opportunity to paint flowers for our children. I will also introduce parts of an insect and many common bugs around us, like honeybees, butterflies, and dragonflies.

As St. Patrick's Day approaches on March 17, I will read the story of the Leprechaun and its search for the pot of gold, rainbows, and the four-leaf clover. I am sure they will have fun with this fictitious figure! This will also be a good opportunity to introduce the colors of the rainbow. The children will get a chance to paint their own rainbows, and I look forward to displaying them in the room.

Here are some important events scheduled for March:

March 7th -Parent/ Teacher Conferences - I look forward to speaking with you!

March 10th- Enrollment Due

March 13th-Picture Day for Room 6 children

March 17th-St Patrick's Day- Wear Green

March 24th- Spring Raffles Basket items due

March 31st- Spring Raffle

Room 7 – Ms. Alicia, Ms. Paula, Ms. Ana & Ms. Magdalena

February was a month full of love! Thank you everyone for showering us with sweet treats, cards and love. You are all so thoughtful and generous. The children had so much fun in February! The children loved the book “I Love You Just the Way You Are!” They had fun making heart impressions with a cookie cutter and making their own shade of pink by mixing the colors red and white.

We will be going green in the month of March! I will fill the shelves with green objects, bowls and much more for the children to get concrete hands-on experience. There will be green everywhere! I am excited to introduce lots of new work this month and the children will enjoy working with sorting and counting. They will be making fun artwork such as, making a rainbow collage with colored tissue paper squares and painting a shamrock using bubble wrap. Our book of the month will be “Leprechaun Rainbow.” We will learn the song “Oh Rainbow” and I will present “Five Green Shamrocks” and “Rainbow What Do You See?” using felt cut outs. We will also learn about the shape of a rectangle throughout the month.

Here are some important upcoming events:

March 7th -Parent/ Teacher Conferences - I look forward to speaking with you!

March 10th- Enrollment Due

March 13th-Picture Day for Room 7 children

March 17th-St Patrick’s Day- Wear Green

March 24th- Spring Raffles Basket items due

March 31st- Spring Raffle