



Montessori Messenger

January 2010

Letter from the President

Dear FLM Families,

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a happy and safe holiday season!

We have several busy months ahead of us at the school.

The Lino Lakes Preschool Fair is January 12th from 6pm to 8pm. Thank you to Tricia O'Connell and Jane O'Connell for attending the fair! For the past three years, Forest Lake Montessori has attended the fair to spread the word about our school. With that said, it still stands that the best way to keep our attendance up is by word of mouth. Thanks to all of you that have helped keep our school strong!

At the January Parent Meeting, we will be voting on the

President position for next year. Chris Novak has volunteered and has been nominated. If you're interested in the position, please let me know.

We are still in need of volunteers for the Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary positions. It's critical these positions be filled before May when the teachers' are to sign their contracts. A fully supported board is imperative to the school running smoothly. If you have any questions about the open positions, please contact any board member and/or consult your Parent Handbook.

The Windram Family has graciously offered to host this year's end of the year picnic. At the January Parent Meeting we'll be discussing plans for

the picnic and forming a committee to coordinate the picnic. If you're unable to attend the meeting but would like to help with the end of the year picnic, please let me know.

Please try to attend January's Parent Meeting on **Tuesday, January 5th at 6:30pm!** (Note: There is NOT a Parent Meeting scheduled in February. If you have any concerns you'd like the Board to address before the March meeting, please inform any Board member.)

Have a great month!

Sincerely,

Melissa Barrows
(Thomas' Mom)
Parent Board President

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Vice President's Report

Happy New Year!

We had two fundraisers before our break, Coffee and Poinsettia's. The coffee fundraiser was the better of the two.

Our next scheduled fundraiser will be in the spring, it will be our Spring Flower Baskets. However, at our next meeting I will bring up the options of a second cookie fundraiser. There were many families interested in a second sale.

Also, I would like to remind you of our ongoing fundraisers; TARGET and CURRENT.

TARGET will give our school 1% of your spending when you use your Target Charge Card on everyday shopping. Need additional information on how to chose our school, please email me at mmmarkovich@qwest.net.

Current, Inc. (www.currentfun.com) will give our school 50% of your total purchases. Simply log on to there website and choose MN and our school, and start shopping.

Thanks again to all of you who have participated in our fundraising and if any one has any questions please let me know.

Have a great month,

Michelle Duren
Kendra's mom



**Insight from Maria
Montessori:**

**“The human hand
allows the mind
to reveal itself”**

From the Teacher's

Parents, please observe pick up times: between 11:45 & 12:00 noon and for extended day, between 1:45 & 2:00PM.

Send outdoor clothing every day. Check your child's box to see if replacements are needed.



**1/18 Katie A.
1/19 Jack O.
1/24 Sadie B.
1/25 Joseph G.**

Calendar

January

January 5th-Parent Meeting 6:30PM

January 18-NO school

January 25th-NO school

February

February 2nd-NO Parent Meeting

February 15th-NO school

*Parents: Please refer to your handbook to review birthday celebrations.

The following information is from the Minnesota Department of Health and was distributed to all parents in the 831 School district, you have already received the complete letter, and this is a brief reminder.

Parents please keep your children home if:

1. Fever (100 degrees or greater) before giving fever reducing medicine.
2. Sore throat and cough
3. Runny nose, headache, body ache, vomiting and diarrhea (in addition to the fever and a sore throat and cough).

Students that have these symptoms will be sent home.

Sick children should stay home for at least 24 hours AFTER their fever is gone (without the use of fever reducing medications like Tylenol), this is usually 5 -7 days.
