

Tobin Montessori Weekly

December 13, 2013

Today's Teamwork, Tomorrow's Success



Ranger Jean of Fresh Pond is talking with Miss Sumi's class about this shrub called "inkberry," which doesn't change its leaf color in winter (evergreen). The leaves feel leathery. (Room 286 took its second trip this year to visit Fresh Pond for a "field study" last Thursday).

"The hands are the instruments of man's intelligence." Maria Montessori

Upcoming Events:

*School Vacation
Last day...Friday
December 20th full day
Back to School...
Thursday, January 2nd*

Two ways to donate during the holidays this year:
Spread a Little Holiday Cheer... Donations are being accepted to purchase holiday gifts cards for our families who can use a little help this holiday season.

Friends of Tobin

Friends of Tobin will be sending home their direct appeal notice next week. All money raised goes directly back into the school for special programming and enrichment.

It's not too late to bring the Box Tops into school. Last day for collection will be Friday, December 20th!

The class that collects the most gets a pizza party after the break!



The Tobin Montessori

presents

Winter Concert

Tuesday, December 17, 2013

8:15 am

You are invited to join our kindergarten (5 year olds), through 4th grade students in a concert of songs from around the globe. (Please note 3 and 4 yr olds, as well as 5th graders, will be part of the audience.)

Students should wear concert black and white. (black pants/skirt, white top)

Please no heels on the stage.



BOKS ROCKS!!!!



BOKS prepares children for a day of learning and is an important step in helping children gain an appreciation of the benefits of exercise and healthy choices that will last a lifetime. BOKS is designed to involve the whole community and family. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact Pam Spencer- pspencer@cpsd.us or Michelle Pepin- michelle_pepin@comcast.net. You can also visit the BOKS website at www.bokskids.org for more program details.

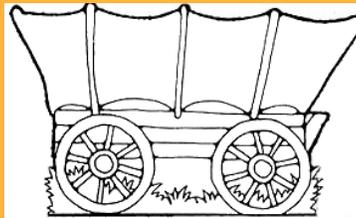
Share our enthusiasm for this program and see a positive impact on our children! Please Note that

this Session is full, but look for the Winter Session sign up after the Winter Holiday Break.

Next session starts on February 4th.



The Classics Caravan is almost complete! The last day to turn in a book record is Monday. Needed are the child's name, room # and the title. Bring this information to the library. If you have been reading a chapter book and are almost finished, turn in a record for it. We have almost 200 wagons and trains from almost every class at Tobin. Great reading everyone! So far we have 169!



This week Miss Megan's CH class and Miss Brittany's LE class participated in the annual Project Bread "Holiday Spoons Project"!! All of the students in

these classes decorated wooden kitchen spoons in order to sell them to raise funds for Project Bread, an anti-hunger organization based in Massachusetts.

Brittany and Megan used a curriculum developed by Project Bread prior to the project. The curriculum, which includes activities, books and discussion groups all relating to hunger, can be broken out to be used in various age groups and grade levels. With the curriculum, the students were taught awareness of hunger and how they can help, which culminated with a very fun and creative art project. During some of the discussions in the classrooms, the students really seemed to understand the issue at hand stating things, such as kindergartner Kaleb who said, "Some people don't have food and we can help keep people healthy by giving them food".

The students enjoyed the project immensely, with the older children helping the younger children bring their visions to life. It was so much fun that four year old Emmanuel had this to say about the project, "We wish we could have made more than one." The spoons will be sold at the school's annual winter concert being held next Tuesday morning. Additionally, the school has partnered with local home retailer, Gray Mist, on Huron Avenue to sell the spoons in their store during the holiday season. Each spoon costs \$10.00 and Jordan's Furniture will match each donation this with the "Holiday Spoons" project. The students are hoping to raise \$400-\$500.

Early Release Days
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