

Miniapple Int'l Montessori



September 2016

Director's notes:

The excitement of starting fresh is upon us! **Welcome** to the 2016-2017 school year. It's such an exciting time as old friends return and new friends join us. It's sure to be a year filled with rewarding experiences for everyone as we work together to see children reach their full potential.

We will continue to have music, French and Spanish in our Children's Houses and music, Spanish and Am. Sign Language in our Toddler Houses. Our infants will participate in the music program and Am. Sign Language as they are able.

Mark your calendar for **Saturday, October 8th**; we will host a "Montessori Journey" from 9:00am - 10:30am. This is a great opportunity for you to learn what your child is experiencing in the Children's House. Our Montessori Teachers love to share the material and method with you.

On **September 9th**, we would like to invite all our **Grandparents** to join their grandchild from 3:00-4:00pm. We have a surprise for you. Grandparents are an important part of the family and welcome at Miniapple!

The Children's Houses will be going to the **apple orchard** on Monday, September 19. Be sure to sign up on the class bulletin board and let us know if you would like to meet us there. The cost is \$12.00 per student, 6.00 per chaperone.

Picture Day for the infants, toddlers and their siblings will be on Tuesday, September 27th and all CH will be on Wednesday, September 28th. Look for more information as it comes closer.

Please take time to read the bulletin boards and newsletters. These are key areas of communication between the teachers and our families. We will also be using e-mail as a means of communication. Be sure to provide this on your child's updated emergency card! You'll want to add our e-mail: oak@miniapplemontessori.com to your address book as well.

Mark your calendar; Tues. & Wed. September 27 & 28 are picture days!



Box Tops for Education:

Congratulations to Blake, our Summer book winner! Please save your box tops for MIM. Write your child's name on the back for our monthly book drawing.

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Reminders:

- label everything
- sign in and out each day
- do not use playground gates, or classroom doors to pick your child up or drop off; use the main doors at the end of each hallway
- keep your child/ren with you once you have picked up
- do not give the code to anyone that does not regularly drop off or pick up
- be sure your child always has a complete set of extra clothes
- class starts at 8:30 and ends at 11:30 and 3:30 if your child is not signed up for extended day
- tuition paid after the 5th of the month will accrue a \$10.00 per week late fee and 2nd half is due on the 15th of the month
- use the tuition box for suggestions
- there is a notepad at the sign in table to help you communicate with MIM
- keep your cell phone turned off at MIM to better focus on your child



Infant Update

Welcome to the new school year!
Welcome to: Lucy, who joins our room in September! Over the Summer we said good bye to Soren and Ben...they have moved into the Toddler

room! Please join us Wed. September 14^h at 5:00PM for an infant and toddler social! We will still be doing walks outside or playing in our area so please make sure your child has a light jacket!

It will be an exciting month as we get to know one another and settle into our routines.

Mary, Hanh, Linda, Christina, Noelia



Toddler Happenings

Toddler House 1 & 2

We're excited to have added so many friends to our classes over the summer and more joining us this fall!

We will continue to go on walks and play outside often, so please make sure your toddler has good walking shoes and a light jacket.

Happy 2nd birthday to Owen this month!

Please remember to bring in a framed family picture (update if necessary).

Hope you can make it on September 14th for family night. Come and meet your toddler's friends and their families!

Please! Label all toddler belongings.

Maria, Katie, Sara & Kayli

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Children's House News

Welcome, new and old friends. We hope everyone is excited to begin the new school year!

We will be hosting individual classroom socials throughout the month. We hope you will join us to get to know the other families in our classrooms.

CH 1 & 2 Sept. 15/5:00-6:00

CH3: Sept. 13 / 4:30-5:30pm

CH4: Sept. 20 / 5:30-6:30pm

Infant, TH 1 & 2: Sept. 14/ 5:00-6:00

The children will be introduced to caring for their environment in our Practical Life area. We will be posting a list of items we will need each month and appreciate donations for this area.

Be sure to check for field trips and other information on the classroom bulletin board. Our first field trip will be to Afton Apple Orchard on Monday, September 19th.

Let's Yoga with Yogali

Ms. Niza will be here on Fridays from 9:45am – 10:30am to offer Yoga for children 4 years and older. The cost is \$100.00 for 10 classes starting on September 16 and running through December 2. Stop by the office for more information about this program. Please complete an enrollment form and attach it to your check made out to Miniapple by September 14th to enroll your child.

2016-2017 MINIAPPLE SCHOOL CLOSINGS

2016:

August 26th (Friday) - Teacher Prep Day for New School Year

September 5th (Monday) - Labor Day

October 20th (Thursday) -

Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 21st (Friday) - Staff In-service Training

November 24th & 25th (Thursday & Friday) - Thanksgiving Holiday

December 23rd & 26th (Friday & Monday) - Christmas Holiday Observed

December 30th (Friday) - New Year's Holiday Observed

2017:

January 2nd (Monday) - New Year's Holiday Observed

February 20th (Monday) - President's Day/Staff In-service Training

April 7th (Friday) - Parent/Teacher Conferences

May 29th (Monday) - Memorial Day

June 5th (Monday) - Teacher Prep Day for Summer Program

July 3rd & 4th (Monday & Tuesday) - Independence Day Holiday Observed

August 25TH (Friday) - Teacher Prep Day for New School Year



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MIM will offer **Scholastic Books** monthly. You will find the order forms in your child's cubby mid-month. You may fill out the paper copy and put it in the tuition box with your payment to "Scholastic" or order on line using the following directions


Online Ordering Information

Web address: scholastic.com/bookclubs


Class Activation Code: **GTXP8**

- **SIGN UP** at www.Scholastic.com/bookclubs. On the parent page, click the "Don't have a User Name and Password?" link, then register for your own username and password. When prompted, enter the one-time Class Activation Code shown above. This code ensures that your order is sent to me.
- **SELECT** the books you'd like to order from over 500 titles available online...and take advantage of online-only specials and discounts.
- **SEND** your order to me online by the due date. Books will be delivered directly to our classroom, as always.

Go to www.Scholastic.com/bookclubs now to get started. Thank you for your order! MIM gets free books for the classroom with every order.



Let's Yoga with Yogali



Yogali introduces yoga to children in a creative and fun way. Classes emphasize the classic aspects of yoga: **breathing, exercising poses, and relaxation.**

Alongside with practicing classic elements of **yoga**, the children are encouraged to use their **imagination** by **creating** poses, and through games and stories. Each class has a different theme, such as: **A Farm Visit, Ancient Egypt, Ocean Dive, African Safari**, and many more.

Our yoga classes nurture **strong, healthy body**, and a **calm mind**. Yogali is a **fun** way to develop **strength, flexibility, balance**, and the ability to **concentrate**.

About the teacher: My Name is Niza (Nee-tsa) Hanany, I'm a certified yoga-for-kids instructor, and the owner of Yogali. It is my 11th year of teaching yoga at the Miniapple Montessori preschool, where classes have always been very popular.

Who: Pre-schoolers, ages 4+
When: Fridays, 9:15-10:00
Starts: September 16, 2016
Tuition: \$100 for 10 classes

For additional information please contact:
Niza Hanany at 651.659.0174 or niza.hanany@gmail.com

Enrollment Form to Yogali

I wish to enroll my child in the Yogali yoga classes at Miniapple Montessori.

Child's Name _____

I understand that Yogali is a voluntary activity, and I will not hold Yogali responsible for any accidents or injuries.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Please sign up at the office, and make check payable to: Miniapple Montessori

