







Ms. Mallory

MONTESSORI IN MOTION

March 2026

Monday	Tuesday <i>Art/Cooking</i>	Wednesday <i>Outdoor Enrichment</i>	Thursday <i>PE</i>	Friday <i>Music</i>
 2 Sound: Uu	3 Cooking: Honey Glazed Carrots	4	5	 13
9 Sound: Yy	10 Cooking: Honeycomb Bread	11	12	13
17 Sound: Zz	 17	18 Cooking: Swedish Meatballs	19	20
 23 Sound: Cc	24 Cooking: Crepes	25	26	 27
 30 Sound: Aa	31 Cooking: Baked Honey Apples	Zoology: Honey bee Geography: Europe Botany: Daffodil and bulbs Music: The Cycle of Water By Nancy Stewart Poem: Daffodowndilly By A.A. Milne		

Dear Families,

Last month was filled with excitement, growth, and a wonderful sense of accomplishment as the children prepared for and presented our classroom program. They took great pride in sharing their work and play with you, and it was evident how meaningful it was for them to have their families and friends gathered together. In the weeks leading up to our performance, we studied the theater—learning the difference between onstage and offstage, discovering what props are and how they help tell a story, and understanding the important role of a cast. Through this experience, the children not only built confidence but also deepened their understanding of collaboration, responsibility, and creative expression.

Our cultural studies took us to the continent of South America, where we explored its geography, landscapes, and wildlife. The children were especially fascinated by alpacas and enjoyed learning about how these gentle animals live high in the mountains and provide fiber for warm clothing. In botany, we studied the cacao plant and traced the journey from cacao pod to chocolate, discovering how this beloved treat begins as a tropical fruit. These studies sparked thoughtful conversations and connected beautifully to the children's growing awareness of the wider world.

As we move into this month, we look forward to traveling—through our studies—to Europe. We will explore its countries, landmarks, and cultural traditions, building upon the children's understanding of continents and global diversity. In zoology, we will turn our attention to the honey bee, learning about its anatomy, life cycle, and the essential role it plays in pollination and food production. Our botany work will focus on daffodils and bulbs, as we examine how bulbs store energy and observe the early signs of spring growth.

This time of year is filled with anticipation and discovery, and the classroom continues to be alive with curiosity and collaboration. Thank you for your ongoing partnership and for the many ways you support your child's learning journey. We look forward to another month of meaningful work and joyful exploration together.

***Notes from the Music Corner:***

Hello, Wonderful MIM Parents! The past two months in music class we have been concentrating on pitch and rhythm. In January, we learned to play gathering drums. They are large floor drums that four children can play together along with one teacher. Since we have five drums, that means that an entire class can practice learned rhythms together right next to an adult to help them stay on the beat. It has been amazing to see your children progress in keeping a steady beat so quickly! In February, your children have been learning the sounds of the scale by using colored sound tones. We have a set of 8 sound tones for each child so we can play along as a class up and down C major scale ALL at the same time. You might think that 20 children playing bells would be complete chaos. But it has been the total opposite! We've been playing our sound tones to the story "Mortimer," inspired by Ms. Mallory and Ms. Alyssa's class, who are performing this story with our wood xylophones for their class program. I love teaching your children and am so proud of their progress in our music class!

## DATES TO REMEMBER



Spring Break  
CHILDCARE ONLY  
April 6<sup>th</sup> - April 10<sup>th</sup>

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April 16th & 17th  
Parent Teacher Conferences  
Early Release

04/16 & 04/17 EARLY DISMISSAL  
PARENT-TEACHER  
CONFERENCE



EARTH DAY



April 22nd  
All School Clean Up

If University Place school district closes, we will be closed. If they have a late start, then we will open at 10:00am. No AM childcare, this will ensure our staff can get to school safely and in time for us to prepare the grounds for your safety. If we have 3 closures, we will have make-up days. Listen to local radio or TV stations or check the Internet ([www.upsd.wednet.edu/upsd/site](http://www.upsd.wednet.edu/upsd/site) or [www.montessoriinmotion.org](http://www.montessoriinmotion.org)) for school closure announcements.



*"The child is both a hope and a promise for mankind."*

*Maria Montessori*