Napa Valley Montessori

January Newsletter

Happy New Year! We would like to thank all the parents/family members who attended our Winter Song Festival. The children were so happy to sing for their family, and demonstrate their favorite works to their parents. You all made it fun and a success! We would also like to thank all the parents who gave Ms. Tez and I presents. It was very thoughtful and generous of you to think of us.

As we welcome the "year of the horse", we will be studying horses, their habitats, and the parts of a horse. Additionally, we will be studying the great continent of Asia, the people, the language, and the animals.

As we are now in the throes of Winter, we ask that children come to school with a jacket, hat, warm shoes/boots, and gloves, if possible. Also, please bring an extra set of seasonally appropriate clothes for those days that "accidents happen"!

As a reminder to the new parents, **birthdays** are celebrated at school with a special Montessori Tradition. You are welcome to attend. If you or your child would like to bring treats, we encourage bringing healthy **nut-free** snacks, such as muffins, cheese or a fruit salad.

We would like to invite all family members and friends to attend our Open House on January 18th (Saturday) from 10:00am-12:30pm with guest speaker Dr. Arlene Taylor. Dr. Taylor is a renowned brain researcher and author, and it is our pleasure to invite her to come speak about the latest research findings on brain function, especially as it relates to young children. The

open house is also an opportunity for parents to come and explore their child's classroom, and connect with the teachers.

New Students:

Lilyanna Luke

Emily Arjun

Dates to Remember:

Saturday, January 18th Dr. Arlene Taylor Lecture/ Open House 10:00am-12:30pm Monday, January 20th No School, MLK Day

Please note:

Tuition is due every 1st of the month and considered late after the 5th. A \$25 late fee will be applied if tuition is received after the 5th of the month, starting the month of February, 2014. You may drop off payments to Ms Tez or to Dianne/Ms Alecia at the Elementary School next door or to Doreen at the Wellness Center beside Fast Signs (Saturday drop off only).

As always, I can be reached at esther@napavalleymontessori.com and Ms.

Tez at tez@napavalleymontessori.com if you have any questions/comments, and are not able to speak to us in person.

May 2014 be a year filled with joy, happiness, good health, and the love of learning!

Ms. Esther and Ms. Tez,

Napa Valley Montessori Staff