

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

Welcome, Napa Valley Montessori Families!

Welcome to a brand-new school year! We are excited to welcome our returning students and families back to school and to meet our new friends joining the NVM community.

Important Dates to Remember

September 1 – First Day of School
September 7 – School Closed (Labor Day)

Birthdays

September 9 – Chloe turns 4!
September 20 – Max turns 4!

What We're Learning This Month

Practical Life : Grace and courtesy, self care, classroom care, pouring, sorting, dressing skills

Sensorial : Exploring the primary colors and basic shapes

Language : Letters and sounds overview, name recognition, early writing activities, learning rhymes and fingerplays

Math : Sorting activities, counting quantities, number recognition and sequencing

Cultural Subjects (Science, Geography, History) : Learning about our classroom community, the calendar and the seasons, living and non-living things

Art & Music : painting, pasting, creative movements, singing

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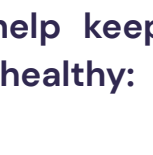
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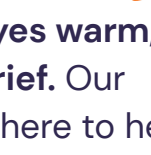
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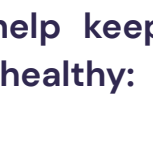
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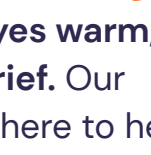
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