



Friday Flyer: March 3, 2017

Upcoming Events:

- 2/27-3/9 Parent Teacher Conference Sign Up Window
- 3/3 Sign-ups for Boys' Soccer Tryouts posted in MPR (5th-8th grade boys eligible to tryout); tryouts start Monday, 3/13 @ 2:10p
- 3/7 Girls Volleyball vs Gateway @ MMCA
- 3/8 Girls Volleyball vs Bowman @ MMCA
- 3/9 Girls Volleyball @ Alta
- 3/7 & 3/9 Vision Testing (K, 2, 5 & 8)

Garden Update

Meet our new garden friends! Just as soon as the weather allows us to finish construction on the shade structure over the amphitheater, our new bunnies will move into our garden and help us create rich soil for our garden beds.



Parent Teacher Conference Sign Ups

Parent Teacher conference sign ups began on Monday, February 27th, and will run through Thursday, March 9th. See instructions **below!** Conferences will be Monday, March 13th through Wednesday March 15th. This is a fantastic time to meet with your child's teachers to discuss their academic progress.

Vision Screenings K, 2nd, 5th and 8th Grades

Next week we will be conducting vision testing for Kindergarten, 2nd, 5th and 8th graders.

Kindergarten: Tuesday, March 7th - 8:45a-11:15a
5th & 8th Graders: Tuesday, March 7th - 1p-2:45p
2nd Graders: Thursday, March 9th - 10-11:45a

Please make sure that students who wear glasses bring them to school on their testing day!

Next School Uniform ordering date coming up

Our next deadline to order new school uniforms is coming up. The next due date will be **Monday, March 6th**. Orders are fulfilled within 10 business days. Our order form is available here:

http://media.wix.com/ugd/72cec9_023e8b9c787f4aa4a555fbf090b050a4.pdf. The new athletic t-shirts and sweatshirts in particular look very good! Please check out the samples hanging in the conference room windows.

Reserved Parking Spot Reminder

I am sure EVERYONE has noticed the parking spot in front of the school with the RESERVED sign - do you know what it's for? This spot is reserved **EXCLUSIVELY** for the MMCA PTA Art Auction Winner who had the winning bid for the spot. This school year (August 2016 - June 2017), this parking spot is **EXCLUSIVELY** reserved for the **FRAUSTO** family, who had the winning bid at last year's Auction. So PLEASE, if you're not part of the Frausto Family, do not park in their reserved spot. The parking spot will again be going up for bid at this year's upcoming MMCA PTA Art Auction.

Now accepting applications for our Preschool for next year - First come, First serve!

We are now accepting applications for Children's House for next school year. As a private preschool, enrollment is on a first come, first serve basis. Application paperwork and our Parent Handbook for next year are available on our website

(<http://www.mmcharter.org/preschool-enrollment-1>) and in the Front Office. Interested in a tour? Please contact Cynthia Brown (cbrown@mmcharter.org) to coordinate.

MMCA Yearbook Committee wants more Pictures!

Have you taken pictures during a field trip or classroom activity? We're looking for some more classroom-based or school-group based pictures for our yearbook. If you have pictures you'd like to submit, please email them to mmcayb@gmail.com.

Previous Year's Yearbooks

In case you missed them...we have a couple editions of previous years' yearbooks that are now for sale in the office for discounted prices ranging from \$5-\$15! See Mrs. Brown for details.

Sign-up for Parent-Teacher Conferences **March 13-15, 2017**

You are invited to sign-up for your child's conference which will be held in the afternoon Monday, March 13th through Wednesday, March 15th. You will have online access to **schedule their conferences starting Monday, February 27th through Thursday, March 9th**.

How to schedule your child(ren)'s conference:

1. Go to this link: <https://www.canyoncreeksoftware.com/scheduler/ca/mariamontessori/index.cfm>
2. "Maria Montessori Charter Academy" and press "Go"
3. There will be a prompt for a school password; the password is: **mmca**
4. The next screen will ask you to "enter the student's ID" - we are NOT using student ID's. Instead, press the "**LOOKUP STUDENT ID**" button.
5. After pressing the "look up student ID" button, you will be prompted to enter your child's first name, last name, and birthdate and then press "**LOOKUP**".
6. After your child has been identified, the program will ask you to do two things:
 - a. Select the classroom you want to schedule the conference for (note: ALL of our classrooms are listed by color names, not teacher names); and
 - b. If you have multiple children that you want to schedule a conference for, it will give you the opportunity to look up the next child (this will give you the opportunity to see multiple classroom conference schedules listed next to each other, making it convenient for your scheduling)
7. The program will take you through a couple of self-explanatory calendar screens, and your conference will be scheduled.

If you are having issues with the software program, you have two alternatives to schedule your conference:

- a. You may come into the office to use one of our computers.
- b. You may call the office after 9:00am and they can assist you with scheduling.

Thanks!

MMCA Staff