



Celebrating 30 years!

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Roxanne's Reflections

News for all LFMA families!

◆ Ahhh... We can all relax a little now that the school year has come to a close. Last month we finished with a picnic and an awards ceremony. I want to thank all the families that participated in those events. The students all enjoyed having their moms, dads, extended family members and friends come to school with them.

For those of you leaving LFMA, thank you for all your love and support for our staff and I. Remember to visit often as we love to watch our families grow and have new experiences and opportunities. Once you are a member of the LFMA family, you are a member forever.

For those of you leaving for the summer, enjoy your time off and rest up for the new school year that begins August 22nd. Remember to practice those skills the children have learned this year!

As you may have noticed we are renovating the pre-primary classroom. We are putting in ceramic tile flooring, painting the ceiling and the walls and other miscellaneous repairs as needed. The work will be done the week of 6-10 June and during that time the preschool children will be using Mr. Price's classroom. Mr. Price's students will move into Mrs. Manley's classroom with the children in that class. Hopefully everything will go smoothly and we can have some fun and benefits with the co-location. We hope to be back in our regular places during the following week. The other project we have undertaken is the

Mrs. Price's Class News

◆ Summer is finally here and our children are getting a much deserved break. For the students who will have the opportunity to stay with us for the summer, we will have plenty of activities planned to keep them busy. In order to keep their skills sharp, we will be doing review activities in reading, writing, and math throughout the week and students will be working in various areas on the shelves as well. For students entering kindergarten, this will give us the opportunity to evaluate each child's strengths and needs and to individualize a plan to give them a head start on the fall.

Recreational activities will be a big part of the summer as students do need time to socialize and take a break from the more rigorous academic schedule of the school year. Games, crafts, and other activities will be provided each week.

I was so impressed with how well each of my students did this year and am proud of them for the accomplishments each one made. The overall Terra Nova tests scores of the class were phenomenal and served to prove what I already know, and that is that our students are amazing! Thank you for all the time and effort you as parents put into your child's education. The lessons provided will last a life time!

Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and attended to with diligence.

Abigail Adams (1744-1818)

concrete slab on the playground for the tennis and basketball activities. The slab is complete and we will be ordering a net, rackets and basketball hoops. While the concrete crew was here, we also repaired and resurfaced the steps at the back of the main building. Our goal is to have the playground renovations completed by the beginning of the new school year.

Delinquent Accounts

There are quite a few accounts that are not current in payments. Each family with delinquent accounts have been reminded more than once in May. We have been kind in the application of late fees, but in June and following months fees as applicable will be assessed. Everyone should be aware that it is our policy to not allow students to begin the new school year if the account is not current.

Summer Schedule

Even though it is summer, each class will have a structured learning time each day. We do not want our students to regress over the next couple of months. There will still be time to play and enjoy the relaxing summer time.

Have a great summer! We will see you on Sunday, August 7th for our annual orientation meeting beginning at 2 PM for regular students and 3 PM for VPK families. More details will be available closer to that time.



VPK & Pre-Primary News

Miss Jessica and Miss Jennifer

It has been another busy but rewarding school year. We all have enjoyed watching our students grow and mature. We want to thank all the parents for their support. Please continue to work on letter names and sounds, numbers counting and all the other basic concepts that we have discussed this year. The VPK students will be tested on these concepts at the beginning of Kindergarten. For all other students it will give them a leg up next year if they retain the information. If you need any new ideas to teach over the summer, let us know. We hope you enjoy your summer, we will see you in August.



More pictures from our awards ceremony!

Mrs. Manley's Class News

◆ Hello to all and I hope your summer is off to a great start and that you had a wonderful Memorial Day. I look forward to spending the summer with your kids. It will be nice to get some one on one time with the kids and getting to work on some specific academic items with them individually. Mr. Price and I are working together during the summer with the kids. The kids will come into the classroom and initially get started on working with their individual lessons. We will be working from approximately 9:00-noon depending on what each child is working on. In the afternoon, we will be giving them time to play outside, play games, crafts, and watch movies.

I also wanted to take a moment to let you know how great your children did on the standardized testing we did. More than half the class tested at an above average level to the highest level. This is a testament to how hard they work, what a fantastic team we have at Lake Fern, and all of the support and help we get from our parents. I am so proud of all the classes and their hard work. Thank you again for another fantastic year at Lake Fern Montessori Academy and have a safe and relaxing summer.



We had a great turnout at our annual awards ceremony!

Mr. Price's Class News

◆ The summer is here! I hope everyone relaxes and has family time. They are certain things I wouldn't mind seeing the students do over the summer. I like to see them working on typing. There are several fun and functional ways to work on typing. Several computer programs are available that are designed to incrementally increase typing proficiency. In addition, there are websites, such as <http://freetypinggame.net/> which offers free typing games. Please make sure to press your kids to learn to type by USING THE HOME KEYES. In addition, it would benefit students to read over the summer. Take your child to the library and/or a bookstore and let them find a book that interests them, preferably a nice chapter book. I'd like to see student also do something to sustain their math abilities. Again, there websites such as <http://freemathgames.com/> are available for students. Another math proficiency sustaining activity might include involving your child in some of the day-to-day math related activities you experience. Examples might include having them: compute sales tax when you go to the store, compute time it will take to travel somewhere, use measuring cups/spoons to assist in cooking meals, etc.

Our school summer schedule will be a bit different as compared to past summers. There will not be a set "summer school schedule." This is due to the varied schedules of our school's families. Instead, I will work with students "as they attend." I will assess areas that they need extra help and assignments them work as prescribed. If I don't see you between now and our parent orientation, have a great summer!

Watermelon – It's a good fruit. You eat, you drink, you wash your face.

Enrico Caruso (1873-1921)



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- SUMMER ORIENTATION MEETING

- SUNDAY, AUGUST 7TH

- 2 PM FOR REGULAR STUDENTS

- 3 PM FOR VPK STUDENTS

Scenes from the concrete pour and classroom renovation!