

# Newsletter

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McMinnville



  
Montessori  
School

## Note from the Board

Dear Families,

As we come to the end of the year, MANY thanks to our Parent organization officers who have volunteered their time so generously to benefit the school;

Tammy Wilson – President  
Kendal Carter - Vice President  
Sue Delventhal – Secretary  
Stephanie Jensen – Treasurer

Thank you for your energy and time.

Thank you also to our staff for hosting the Parent Child tea on Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup>. Eager students educated their parents.

The board has approved the budget for next year and is happy to announce that there is no tuition increase for next year. We understand well the current economic environment is difficult for many families, and we are doing our best to keep our expenses on the frugal side.

Parents are always welcome to board meetings, and we continue to meet over the summer months. In general, the board addresses issues about the budget, school operations, long-term goals, and administration, but is happy to hear about any topic.

Board meetings are always the first Wednesday of each month, at 5:30 pm at school; the next meeting is June 3rd. Generally meetings run about 2 hours long.

## Calendar of Events:

No School	May 25
SOS meeting	June 1
Board meeting	June 2
Last Day of School	June 11
PO Potluck Playdate	July 8
PO Potluck Playdate	Aug 12

I look forward to seeing you at the end of the year picnic. Have a safe and happy summer!

Many thanks,  
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## End of the Year Picnic

Where: Ed Grenfell Park  
When: Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 4-7pm

Please bring a dish to serve 12-15 people  
A-E salad/pasta dish  
F-M main dish (not pasta)  
N-Z fruit/veggie dish

Beverages and cake will be provided. Please bring your own tableware; plates, plastic cups, cutlery & napkins.

**Scholarships:**

Each school year there are a few scholarship discounts that are available through the school. If you are interested in applying for a tuition scholarship discount for the 2009-2010 school year, please ask for an application from the office. Please submit requests by the last day of school. They will be reviewed at the July board meeting. All requests are confidential and reviewed only by the board. Scholarship discounts are given based on a family's financial need, history with the school, parent commitment towards the school in terms of volunteer hours, and the ability of the school's budget to accommodate the requests. Both Elementary and Primary requests are accepted.

**Financial Reminders:**

A reminder that outstanding tuition for the 2008-2009 school year must be paid by the end of June, unless other-wised arranged, to ensure your child's return place in the fall.

If you have any financial questions or concerns, please speak with your teachers, or Kim Sapunar of the board.

**Volunteer Hours**

Please be sure to record any volunteer hours completed this school year. The green binder is located in the foyer on the white shelf. Any of the 10 hours not complete will be **billed**.

The McMinnville Montessori School was founded over 25 years ago. We provide a unique and exceptional educational experience for children ages 3 to 12, unlike any other school in the community. All our fundraising goes directly to support the school, in materials, improvements and construction. So thank you for your efforts to help support the school.

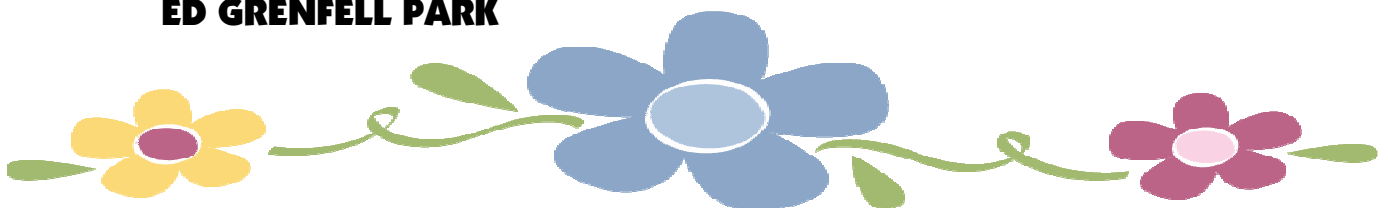
**TUITION PACKETS FOR  
THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL  
YEAR WILL GO OUT  
THIS MONTH AND DUE  
IN JUNE.**

*Primary and Elementary  
Celebrations,  
including Extended Day  
Graduation  
Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>  
11:30am*

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup>  
HALF DAY/EARLY DISMISSAL  
12-12:15PM  
NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE AVAILABLE  
PRIMARY AND ELEMENTARY  
PROGRAMS BEGIN AT 11:30AM  
END OF YEAR PICNIC 4-7PM @  
ED GRENFELL PARK**

ELEMENTARY REQUEST:

TEACHER DESK WITH DRAWERS WANTED.  
PLEASE SPEAK WITH MARIA IF YOU HAVE A DESK  
YOU CAN DONATE TO THE SCHOOL.  
THANK YOU!



“If help and salvation are to come, they can only come from the children, for the children are the makers of men.” -- Dr. Maria Montessori

## News from the Parent Organization

Dear Parents,

Our P.O. continues to aim towards raising funds for our goal. The P.O. is working with the teachers in creating a suitable play structure for the play yard. Our goal is to have a newer play structure no later than summer of 2010.

We just wrapped-up our plant sale. It was a huge success. Thanks to all who participated. We made \$1,500.00. I would also like to thank those who were involved.

**Diane McMillen  
David Wilson  
Laurie Mason  
Robin Spencer  
Joseph Perniciaro  
Sue Delventhal  
New Leaf Greenhouse**

BOX TOPS brought in \$170.19 this school year. Please continue to collect soup labels and box tops for our school. All labels and box tops can be placed in our RED collection bin located in the foyer.

Another passive fundraiser is our ESCRIP Online Mall. Anytime you want to order online, go through our school website, and click on our fundraising page. We have listed several websites where you can shop online. A percentage of your purchases will go to our school. So far this school year, ESCRIP has brought in \$70. Spread the word and remember when shopping online, go through our website.

**Thanks to Jennifer Stocks for coordinating our passive fundraising this year.**

Our Election for our 2009-2010 Parent Organization Officers will happen the first week of June. Being an officer for the school's PO gives you

an excellent opportunity to be a part of your child's school. If you would like to be nominated, or you would like to nominate another parent, sheets will go out the first week in June. More information will be provided at our next PO SOS Meeting, please plan to attend.

### LAST PO SOS MEETING

*Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>*

**6:00pm**

*Potluck/Childcare*

If you have any suggestions for next school year regarding the PO, please contact anyone of the PO Officers. You can also email the school directly.

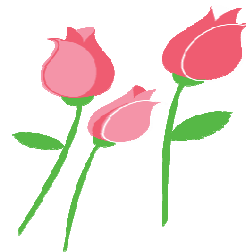
This year's PO Officers would like to thank you for the opportunity to support our school. It has been a pleasure.

Tammy Wilson  
PO President  
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### **Summer Play Dates:**

The Parent Organization has set up 2 summer time play dates at a park during the summer.  
PO Potluck Playdates @  
East Wortman Park (Lafayette Hwy), 6pm

**Wednesday, July 8th  
Wednesday, August 12th**



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*Please contribute to future newsletter issues.  
Contact Kim Sapunar with your ideas and  
articles.*

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