

# Soldotna Montessori News

August 24, 2023



## Upcoming Events

8/24	AP Meeting (5:30)
8/25	SMCS Assembly (9:00)
8/28-9/8	Kindergarten Color Dys
9/4	NO SCHOOL (Labor Day)
9/7	Picture Day
9/8	Early Release Day (2:00)
9/11-12	Faris - Field Trip (Rafting/OEC)
9/12-13	Moore - Field Trip (Rafting/OEC)
9/13-14	Dixon - Field Trip (Rafting/OEC)
9/19	Farmers' Market (1:00-3:00) [TENTATIVE]
9/21	Peace Night School Event 5:30-6:30
9/29	Early Release Day (2:00)
10/12	Early Release Day (2:00)
10/13	NO SCHOOL End 1st Quarter
10/21	Earthquake Drill (10:21)
10/26-27	Parent-Teacher Conferences

### School Arrival Times

Students may arrive at school **no earlier than 8:20**. Students having breakfast at school should go directly to the cafeteria.



## Welcome Back!

It has been a wonderful start to the new school year! We have had some great weather. The students have been kind and caring to each other. Our kindergarteners are now full days. Students are engaged in connection activities and class building routines, which is so important to success. Our new staff are plugged in and doing wonderfully in their new roles with our school. Even student dismissal is going well without long lines or wait times.

We have an amazing school, and we are blessed to share in educating our SMCS students together. Welcome Back!

## Kindergarten Color Days!

**All students, Grades K-6, are encouraged to participate! Dress in the color for the day!**

- 8/28 – Red
- 8/29 – Orange
- 8/30 – Yellow
- 8/31 – Green
- 9/1 – Blue
- 9/5 – Purple or Pink
- 9/6 – Black
- 9/7 – Picture Day OR (Brown/Camo)
- 9/8 – As Many Colors As You Can



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## Snacks, Lunches, & Birthdays REMINDER

Please keep the school district's policy on nutrition in mind when packing snacks and lunches or when providing birthday treats for your child. Candy, sweet treats, and soft drinks are not allowed.



## Be Weather Prepared REMINDER

We request parents be aware of potential weather conditions and provide students with appropriate gear for being outside for recess or other outdoor learning times. In the weeks to come, we will feel cooler temperatures, so warmer jackets, hats, and gloves will be needed.



## Welcoming Our New SMCS Students

We are so glad to meet and welcome our new student to our school this year. We, of course, have our new kindergarteners: *Aurelia A., Luna A., Uilliam B., Anders C., Boone D., Wesley D., Liam D., Bodhi G. Sophie H., Amara J., Luna L., Brooke M., Greyden P., Jett S., Asa T., Sloane T., Lydia T., Aiden T., Mason V., Anna W.*

We are also welcoming our new grade 1-6 students!

GRADE 1: *Teagan B., Hadley H., Flint N., Presley R., Carter S.*; GRADE 2: *ZekeCyrus F., Xander J., Adela P. Kalea R.*; GRADE 3: *Abby S.*

## Critical Student Enrollment Attention



I'd like to thank all of the families who have completed the district-required online registration for the school year. We still have some families who have not yet completed registration (student enrollment). If you have overlooked this requirement and have not been to KPBSD's online student enrollment area, please find the link to the district page at our school website. We must have 100% completion of this task from every SMCS family. Currently, not every family has completed their registration. Thanks again if you have completed this task already. [Register here if viewing online.](#)

## Volunteers & Visits

If you plan to volunteer at school or on field trips, you must complete the required annual background check. It takes up to 10 days to process the application. Last minute completion of background checks, in the days before an intended volunteer day, cannot be approved in time. If you plan to drive for field trips this year, please complete the driver form now. We also need a copy of your driver's license, car insurance, and vehicle registration. All volunteers must make arrangements with the teacher prior to volunteering. Thank you for your desire and willingness to volunteer for our school!

Just visiting? It is not necessary to have a background check on file in order to eat or visit the school. However, you must check-in at the office and must have a visitor badge throughout your time in the building. Visits to the playground are not allowed.