Soldotna Montessori News

January 4, 2024



Upcoming Events

1/9	PTO Meeting (4:00)
1/10	Band & Choir Concert (6:00)
1/12	Early Release Day (2:00)
1/12	50 Cent Friday
1/26	Early Release Day (2:00)
2/6	PTO Meeting (4:00)
2/13	Prospective Families Orientation (5:30)
2/15-16	P/T Conferences
2/22	APC Meeting (5:30)
2/23	School Assembly Larned's Class (9:00)
2/23	Lottery App Window Closes
3/4	Lottery Drawing
3/5	PTO Meeting (4:00)
3/7	Early Release Day (2:00)
3/8	End of 3rd Quarter No School
3/11-15	Spring Break

Snow Day Make-Up

The Snow Day that occurred on November 9, will be made up on March 29. It will be an early release day.



<u>Report Cards - January 18</u>

Your child's report card will be in the Thursday folder in two weeks: January 18.

School Lottery Closes on February 23

Please encourage friends or neighbors to enroll in our lottery if they have an interest in joining our fabulous Montessori School family next year. The deadline to apply is February 23 @ 3:00 p.m.

SMCS Spelling Bee Preparation

Students in grade 3-6 are able to participate in the school spelling bee, which will be held on February 1. Mr. DeVolld will also be conducting preparation sessions on Tuesdays during lunch for students wishing to learn Bee rules and strategies. Spelling Bee practice lists are available only in the office or upon request.

Ice Skating - Open Next Week

The ice rink is being well-maintained by the City, and is prepped for use. We will be opening the ice rink, daily, at recess, beginning Monday, next week, to students in grades 3-6. In order for a student to participate, we must receive a signed Ice Skating Liability-Waiver Form which will be made available upon request or on our website in the Forms & Documents section.

Students will be required to have a helmet (hockey or bicycle type work), snow gear, and ice skates to use the rink. Skates & helmets may not remain at school overnight. Please make sure your student can independently put on and lace up their skates. Thank you! The rink may be closed due to weather or maintenance, at any time.

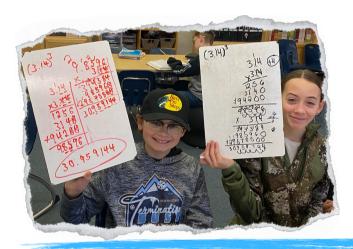
Community Outreach Quarter

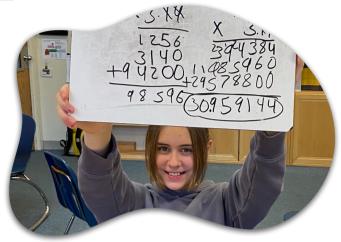
Our school works specifically in community outreach this quarter. We encourage your family to find an opportunity to do something as a family in support of our community during this time. It can be a fun experience together.

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Intermediate Community Groups

Each year our third quarter is highlighted by our students' community outreach efforts. Our 4th graders will continue our positive message campaign, since it was such a big hit last year for local area coffee shops, by producing coffee sleeves with personal, positive messages. Our 5th graders will be continuing our support of the Food Bank and will travel there to provide assistance. Our 6th graders traveling to a local preschool to partner with a young one and read stories to them and providing friendship. SMCS students make a difference in our community!





Ice Rink **CITY OF SOLDOTNA**

The City of Soldotna has flooded and begun maintaining the SOEL ice rink, and it looks fantastic. The city is highlighting Family Skate Nights on Friday evenings in January & February from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The nights are open to the public, and they are offering access to skates, music, and heaters. Additionally, the SOEL & SMCS PTO's have been asked to support with snacks.



Thank you to The PTO and Mrs. Edmunds for hosting an excellent Craft Night! We had nearly 90 students participate! Of course we couldn't have done it with our our parent volunteers. It is great when our families share their talents and time with our students and our school. It clearly





