

Dates to remember>>>

6 Dec: Feast of St. Nicholas

13 Dec: Feast of St. Lucia

19 Dec: Christmas Play, 11 a.m. (kindergarten families only please)

20 Dec: Christmas break begins

3 Jan: School resumes



DECEMBER 2018

*"It is the child who makes the man, and no man exists who was not made by the child he once was."
– Maria Montessori*



CURRICULUM >>>

Cultural: Europe, holiday traditions around the world including Hanukkah, Kwanza, St. Lucia, St. Nicholas

Science: Weight and balance

Other activities: Holiday art projects, songs and poems!



Messages...

Poinsettia Fundraiser: Thanks to all who supported our fundraiser! We raised over \$2,000 and VMM's profit is around \$1,400! Great Job!!!!

Holiday Wish List: In lieu of individual gifts to the teachers, please make a donation to our school. We have a mini Christmas tree in the office, full of *wish list items*. We appreciate your generosity!

Feast of St. Nicholas: The children should **bring in one extra shoe (labeled with your child's name) by Tuesday, Dec. 4** in order to leave out for the Feast of St. Nick, on Dec. 6. Perhaps a visitor will leave them a special treat!

St. Lucia Procession: Thursday, **Dec. 13**, the oldest girl in kindergarten along with three star boys and three angels will reenact the Scandinavian tradition of the St. Lucia procession. The children will also enjoy a sweet treat!

Christmas Play: The kindergarten children will perform their **Christmas play at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19**, in the music room. Due to space limitations, guests may only include kindergarten parents and grandparents and siblings. There is no afternoon kindergarten that day. Dismissal after the play. **Aftercare** is available for those enrolled, **on Wednesday, Dec. 19**.

Shop Smart for VMM: Please keep our ongoing fundraisers in mind when doing your Christmas shopping this year. Please use your Kroger and Remke Markets customer linked cards to help our school receive cash back. Use the Amazon link at our web site, and save those Box Tops too!

Maggie: She is looking forward to visiting with VMM families! Check your schedules for an open weekend or Christmas break! She is easy and comes with a portable pen. Thank you!

**May peace prevail, Merry Christmas!
The Montessori staff**