



# Valley Quail Newsletter

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## General Information

Back-to-School Night was a huge success!

Thank you so much for attending and investing your time in our child and your community!

## Wish List Items

Nothing at this time!

## Dates to Remember

September 5th

No School—Labor Day

September 9th

Middle School Recycling

Please bring in your recycling to benefit the 7th and 8th grade fundraising

September 16th

Spirit Day—Wear Tie Dye

Middle School Recycling

## Curriculum and Instructions

This week, we spent time studying our Person of the Week - Maria Montessori! We introduced Dr. Montessori (my personal heroine) and talked about her life, her belief in every child reaching their potential, and how she traveled the world to share her ideas on education. The children listened to stories of her life, colored maps of her travel, and wrote and illustrated a page about what they love to do in their Montessori environment. Hopefully the greatest lesson learned was how one person can have such a huge impact on the world. Hopefully, each one of us understands that we all have this potential. I, for one, am very proud to be a Montessori teacher and each child should understand that they come to school in a special place, a peaceful place that is all theirs to explore.



## Miscellaneous

### Great Questions Posed After Back-to-School Night

A parent asked me a good question about the Communication Folders on Tuesday morning. They wondered if they needed to be returned each day, even if they were not sending something back to me. I know that many times the folders are empty. Please do a quick daily check. Sometimes, there is important information, other times, the children have chosen to put their daily work inside that they would like to share with you. I want to remind everyone that this folder is also a valuable tool for you! You can include a note for me about a change in pick-up time, a question you have for me ... whatever you would like for me to see first thing in the morning, as I check them as the children hand them to me.

### Person of the Week

I am still formulating the calendar and will have that out to you very soon. It was suggested that I create the schedule with birthdays in mind. I think that is an excellent idea - there are a few children who share a birthday week, but that should not be a problem. Another idea was to ask Person of the Week's family to wash our job rugs. This is yet another great idea, however there are some who may have difficulty in fulfilling their parent hours due to little ones at home, a busy work schedule, etc., so I would like to leave the job rug washing open for those who simply ask on a week to week basis.

