

Children's House Chatter

May 2025



Outside Class

First, we want to welcome Graham and Aaliyah to our classroom!

Outside class had fun this last month planting squash. We talked about Easter and had lessons that go with it. We also talked about Earth Day and the importance of recycling.

This month we are learning about Cinco de Mayo and Mexican culture. We will also talk about Mother's Day and why we celebrate Memorial Day.

Junior Class

The Junior's have been busy reading beginner books and some challenge words! They have also been advancing in math using the golden bead material. We have been having lunch outside most days and enjoying the weather before it gets too hot. We are still working on mastering our manners! We are working on taking turns talking (not interrupting when another friend is already speaking,) saying excuse me when needing to get past a friend, using soft inside voices, and walking feet. Please reinforce these behaviors at home. These children have grown and made so much progress since the beginning of the school year! We are watching our garden grow so much and look forward to harvest season. The children will soon get to help prepare some healthy snacks for their classes.

Upstairs Class

Our wicking gardens in the front yard are prospering and we will begin planting our new pallet rows with lettuce, broccoli, cauliflower, and sweet potatoes next to them. Loads of fun!

Everyone is improving in Grace and Courtesy, listening skills, singing and Rhythm band.

Younger children are choosing more difficult lessons and older children are very involved in phonetic spelling, reading, learning biomes, science and math. Today they read two stories out loud to the class!

They are so proud! We welcomed several new 5 year olds to our group and they are so excited to join our kindergarten and elementary classes for next year!



Toddler Class

We welcome Ms. Audrey, teacher aide, to our class. Audrey attended CHMS as a child and her mom was a guide in the toddler room. We are excited that she decided to return to her Montessori roots.

We are working on Grace and Courtesy and need your help at home. Please have your child:

- *say "May I please have...."
- *"Thank you" after you give them something
- *Sitting while they eat, if they get up, they are done
- *Waiting their turn
- *Drinking from an open cup
- *Wiping up spills
- *Using utensils to eat
- *Putting their dishes away when they are done
- *Not banging cups and bowls on the table
- *Cleaning up toys, books, etc
- *Taking shoes off and on
- *Using inside voices and walking feet inside

Infant Class

Our class welcomes new Ezra, Mateo, and Willamina . We are happy to have them join us. The little ones have been working hard on learning how to roll over, sit up, scoot/crawl, and pull up while some are transitioning into eating solids. The older ones are currently working on mastering standing and walking as well as how to drink out of an open cup to prepare them for the toddler class. Please make sure to bring in any supplies you may have been asked to bring in for your child as well as make sure to label any spare clothing you bring to school. If your child has started solids and you haven't brought them in a cup for them to practice drinking from, please bring one in, labeled with their name on it.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

Muffins with Mom – Monday, May 12

We invite all mothers and mother figures to join us for *Muffins with Mom* on Monday, May 12! This special family engagement event allows you to enjoy a morning snack with your child on the school grounds. We look forward to celebrating the wonderful women who support and nurture our students every day!

Re-enrollment Deadline – Thursday, May 15

All re-enrollment forms and payments for the 2025–2026 school year are due by Thursday, May 15. Forms may be submitted via email or as hard copies turned in to your child's classroom Guide. Thank you for helping us plan ahead for a great year!

School Closed – Monday, May 26

In observance of Memorial Day, The Children's House Montessori School will be closed on Monday, May 26. There will be no school and no child care available.

Last Day of School & PTO Picnic – Thursday, May 29

Join us as we wrap up the 2024–2025 school year on Thursday, May 29! It's the final day of classes and we'll celebrate with our PTO End of Year Picnic. Families are welcome to join in the fun—more details to come!

School Closed – Friday, May 30

The school will be closed on Friday, May 30 for Staff Development. There will be no school and no child care available.

First Day of Summer School – Monday, June 2

Our 2025 Summer School session begins Monday, June 2! We look forward to a joyful summer of learning, discovery, and fun in the Montessori environment.