



MONTESSORI  
CHILDREN'S HOUSE

**Parent Work Day**  
Saturday, November 10th  
8:00am to 11:00am

All parents are needed for fall trimming and general yard work to help "spruce up" your Montessori Children's House.

**Normalization**

This is a term used in the Montessori philosophy. It is a continuous process not an end result reached by a particular age or month of school.

Maria Montessori wrote, "The end product for Montessori is the development and maintaining of the four characteristics of normalization into adulthood.

- \* the ability to concentrate
- \* the need and enjoyment of meaningful activity or work which led to competence and independence
- \* the ability to evidence self-discipline or self-regulation, and
- \* sociability or the desire to be a responsible and contributing member of a community"

Below are Signs of Normalization

Child 3-6	Child 6-12
Work for work's sake	Developing interest in the product
Order	Order for the sake of the community
Silence	Hum of work
Working alone	Cooperation/group work
Obedience	Developing a moral sense
An attachment to reality	Imagination
Interest in the "whats"	Interest in the "hows" and "whys"
Striving toward physical independence	Moving toward mental independence
Manipulation of objects	Moving toward abstraction and the manipulation of ideas

**Reminder: Parents PLEASE put names in jackets if your child is wearing one to school now that the weather is changing.**



NOVEMBER '12

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Elementary Field Trip Tolmachoff Farms 9-12:30 pm	2 Staff Workday	3
4 Happy B-Day David	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Elementary Field Trip Deer Valley Rock Art Center	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Thanksgiving Break	22 Happy B-Day Abelardo & An Thanksgiving Break	23 Thanksgiving Break	24
25	26	27	28 Happy B-Day Lucas	29	30 Happy B-Day Fiona	



DECEMBER '12

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Happy B-Day Alyssa	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	Christmas Break 12-21 to 01-04				