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MARCH 2023 PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

EVENTS TO TAKE NOTE OF IN MARCH 2023

Wednesday, March 1st: First day of the 2023-2024 Open Enrollment.

Thursday, March 9th: Europe Immersion Day.

Friday, March 17th: St Patrick's Day: Wear green for good luck.

Friday, March 17th: Minimum day. School ends at 12:00 pm.

Tuesday, March 21st: Norouz acknowledged.

Wednesday, March 22nd: Ramadan acknowledged.

Thursday, March 23rd: Parent Information meeting: **Sensorial and Introduction to Math**

Tuesday/Wednesday, March 28th and 29th: Picture Day.

2023-2024 OPEN ENROLLMENT



Open enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year starts on

Wednesday, March 1st.

If you have friends or neighbors who might be

interested in enrolling their children in One World's Primary or Elementary programs, now is the time for them to contact us.

We will be hosting an Open House in March, April and May. Dates to be confirmed.

Don't forget that One World offers a referral credit of \$500 for any family who refers a new family to One World. All referral credits are given after the new family has been enrolled at One World for 8 weeks.

EUROPE STUDIES



During this month, we will be working with materials related to the continent of Europe, which will culminate in our Europe Immersion Day

on **Thursday, March 9th.**

We encourage you to engage your children in conversation, reading, and cultural activities related to Europe and its component countries.

Looking at maps, eating new foods, listening to music, and discussing plants and animals from this region will create a better understanding of what makes this continent unique.

EUROPE IMMERSION DAY



On **Thursday, March 9th**, we will have our Europe Immersion Day. Parents are welcome to volunteer to talk to the children about a country or topic related to the continent of Europe. Let your child's teachers know you are interested and which country you would like to talk about.

ST PATRICK'S DAY



Bring out your green! St. Patrick's Day is observed every March 17th and is packed with parades, mischievous leprechauns, good luck charms, and all things green. The event started as a religious holiday, but over time it's become a celebration of Irish culture.

Everyone is invited to wear green for good luck.

MINIMUM DAY



Friday, March 17th is a minimum day. School ends at 12:00 pm, as there is a mandatory faculty meeting in the afternoon.

PERSIAN NEW YEAR



On **Tuesday, March 21st** the children will learn about the history of Norouz (Persian New Year) and will acknowledge the holiday by planting mung bean sprouts and creating Persian art.

The first day of the spring season marks the Persian New Year, also known as Norouz — that is a combination of two Persian words: no, which means “new,” and rouz, which means “day.” Together they mean “New Day.” The exact beginning of the Norouz occurs when the season changes from winter to spring on the vernal equinox and it is a day of celebration, feast and joy for those who celebrate. Norouz with its uniquely Iranian characteristics has been celebrated for at least 3,000 years and is deeply rooted in the rituals and traditions of the Zoroastrian religion. Today the festival of Norouz is not only celebrated in Iran, but also in many lands that historically have been within the Persian sphere of cultural influence. Iranians consider the Norouz as their greatest celebration of the year and start preparing by a major spring cleaning of their houses, buying new clothes to wear on the day of Norouz and buying lots of flowers (in particular the Hyacinth and the Tulip are popular) during the last month of winter in the Persian Solar Calendar. Another major tradition of Norouz is setting the "Haft Seen" (the seven 'seen', 7-Seen or the 7 items) with seven specific items symbolically corresponding to the seven creations and the seven holy immortals protecting them.

RAMADAN



We will be acknowledging Ramadan on **Wednesday, March 22nd**.

Ramadan is the ninth month on the Islamic calendar, which marks important holidays and events for Muslims (people who practice Islam). During Ramadan people fast, or refrain from eating and drinking, while it's light outside.

For Muslims around the world who observe Ramadan, the month is a time to focus on their faith and also perform generous acts. People raise money and

donate supplies to help others in need. And many fast to remind themselves about those in the world who don't have enough to eat.

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING



We will have our next Parent Information meeting on **Thursday, March 23rd** at 4:00pm to 5pm. This month's topic

will be **'Sensorial Materials and Introduction to Math.'**

We regularly hold Parent Information meetings. The dates and topics will be shared through newsletters and emails.

Please note that a minimum of 8 families is required for the Parent Information meeting to take place.

Daycare (\$10/hour) available upon request. A Sign-up sheet will be posted outside each classroom.

Parents will earn volunteer time for attending.

SPRING PICTURE DAY



Our alumni parent, Anna Eftimie, will be taking individual pictures on **Tuesday, March 28th** and **Wednesday, March 29th.**

A class photo will be included with every purchase you make for individual portraits. More information will follow in an email.

SUMMER SCHOOL



This year, we will be offering **7 sessions** of summer school, from **July 10th to August 25th.** There will be no school and no daycare from August 28th to September 5th, as the

staff uses this time to thoroughly clean and set-up the classrooms in preparation for the next school year, as well as take the required CPR/first aid and disaster preparedness training.

The 2023-2024 school year will start on Wednesday, September 6th, 2023.

Enrollment forms were distributed in your 2023-2024 re-enrollment packet.

Summer school enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis and we encourage you not to wait until the last minute to register your children, as we expect to fill up quickly. This year we only have 32 spots available.

Summer school is only available to students enrolling in the 2023-2024 school year.

WELCOME NEW STUDENTS



We would like to welcome our new students and their families, Julian and Benjamin.

Welcome Julian and Benjamin!!

FREE MONTESSORI PARENTING BOOK

What is the first day of the 2023-2024 school year? The answer is found in this newsletter, so please read it thoroughly! The first two people to send an e-mail to the office – office@oneworldmontessori.org – with the correct answer will win a copy of the book **'A Parent's Guide to the Montessori Classroom'** by Aline D Wolf.

A NOTE OF APPRECIATION



Thank you to the Zarnani family for the gift of books for the P3 classroom in celebration of Hannah's 4th birthday.

Thank you to the Hebert family for the gift of the butterfly kit for the P3 classroom in celebration of Apollo's 5th birthday.

Thank you to Veer, Audrey and Abby's families for the donation of supplies for the daycare shelves. Much appreciated.

APRIL PREVIEW



Wednesday, April 5th: Passover acknowledged.

Thursday April 6th: Kindergarten fieldtrip to SF Ballet. **Information to follow.**

Friday, April 7th: Easter acknowledged.

Monday – Friday, April 10th – 14th: Spring Break. No school.

Friday, April 21st: Earth Day celebration