



Oneonta Montessori School November 2017



School Holidays: *Veteran's Day - Friday, 10th*
Thanksgiving - Thursday, 23rd - Friday 24th

A SEASON OF THANKS.....

We want to let all of you know how thankful we are that you chose our school to nurture and educate your children. We wear many hats at Oneonta; firstly as teachers, counselors, therapists & even magicians! And we do so with much appreciation and gratitude for the trust bestowed on us. Please know, if you need to discuss anything at all, we are here to listen and will try our best to make sure your family is happy. ☺ Thank you for the referrals, it is the best compliment!

ANNUAL SEES CANDY FUND RAISER

Fri, October 20th - Thurs, November 9th

Forms have been sent out and we are hoping **ALL** our parents get involved in helping to sell Sees candy. This year we would like to redo the preschool patio area and add more daycare toys and after school activities.

Ways to participate:

- Please take Sees Candy forms to work & get orders from coworkers.
- Please take orders from family and friends
- If you operate your own business; ordering Sees Candy for your customers is a good way to say Thank You @ Christmas.

SUMMARY SHEET is due back on: **Thurs, 9th** with the money (cash and checks). Checks made out to: **Oneonta Montessori School.**

SEES FLIER WITH PICTURES: *You must keep.* You will need the flyers (with names) for distribution.

Candy will be delivered & ready for pick up on:
THURSDAY, DEC 7th

Student with the highest sales will receive:

\$200.00 tuition credit and a

\$50.00 gift certificate to Toys R Us.

Students with sales totaling over \$ 500.00:

Will be treated to a special lunch.

Class with the highest student participation & class with the highest total sales:

Will enjoy a pizza & ice cream party.

Winners' names will be posted soon. We have always had a fantastic response from all our parents and are counting on everyone to help us again this year.

THANKSGIVING POTLUCK

Wed 22nd, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Parents, please join us for our annual Thanksgiving luncheon. This is a time of togetherness and a time to be thankful for everything we have. We would love to see all of you at the luncheon, so please make an extra attempt to join us. Potluck sign-ups will be posted in each classroom shortly. We need one special volunteer from each class to roast the turkey which the school will provide. We hope to see all of you on the 22nd! A Happy Thanksgiving to all!

UNIFORM COMPANY

Parker/True Grits Uniform Company will be closing down their La Crescenta store on December 9th. The company will continue to be of service to our families; however, all orders will be on line only. They are having a close out sale from today until December 9th so if you need to purchase any uniforms, please do so soon. We will be shopping around for a new uniform company that is local for the next school year.

VETERAN'S DAY FIELD TRIP

Class #5, #6, #7, #8, #9 - TBA

Students will walk to the Alhambra Park to pay their respects at the Veteran's Wall, honoring all the brave men and women who died fighting for our country. Students must wear their green school shirt and bring a sack lunch. The students will have lunch & return.

HEARING TEST – Thurs, 2nd – Fri 3rd

Hear center, a Nonprofit Hearing and Speech clinic in Pasadena, will be conducting free screening for all students. Please fill out the permission form and give it to the teacher so your child can be tested.

SICK CHILDREN

When children are sick, we kindly request that you please keep them at home. Please know that one sick child at school can infect all those who are well.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Ms Terri's Ladybugs - Class # 1

What an awesome start it has been, our little ladybugs have learned so much. This month we will be talking about being thankful for all we have, like family and how important they are. We will be remembering the Veterans that fought for our freedom. The ladybugs will be learning about the land and water globe. During this month we will be playing the courtesy game reminding them to use 'please, thank you, and excuse me'. We will also be learning the parts of a fish, and how things sink or float. We are so excited about all the new things we are learning. Please make sure to join us for lunch!

Ms Vanessa's Dragonflies - Class # 2

This month our clever Dragonflies will travel to space through books, pictures and fun facts to learn about the solar system's outer planets. We will read books from our school library to learn about Veteran's day and create a beautiful project in recognition of that day. Our dragonflies will be excited to learn about teen numbers and understand the concept of math symbols. Thanksgiving is just around the corner and we're excited to create projects, make yummy snacks and learn a fun skit. We look forward to having lunch with our parents for our Thanksgiving potluck!

Ms Melinda's Honey Bees – Class # 3

November is the month for *giving* and *being thankful*. We will begin our month by learning about the Pilgrims, Indians, and the Mayflower Ship. For art, our honey bees will decorate a huge cornucopia with a variety of fruits. We will begin our month by decorating turkeys with a variety of materials. We will teach our students what Veteran's Day is by visiting our school library and reading stories about Veterans. We will make hats to represent the Armed Forces. For geography, we will create a hands on project with sand and paint to depict that the Earth is made up of land and water. Hope to see all at Thanksgiving lunch.

Ms Audrey's Butterflies – Class # 4

Welcome to November; fall with all of its beautiful scents and colors has finally arrived! We are looking forward to a fantastic Thanksgiving celebration with our OMS families. We are thankful for so many blessings especially our freedom. Happy Veteran's Day to the wonderful men and woman who serve our country to preserve our freedom! The Butterfly class will be putting up our own Veteran's memorial. Please send in a picture of a family member or friend who has served so that we may post it. Friendship and sharing will be our focus this month as we learn about the first Thanksgiving. We will celebrate the diversity found in our own little classroom as we talk about traditions, favorite foods and customs our families

Ms Vangie - Class # 5

Welcome to the month of Thanksgiving and family reunions. This month, our class will have more emphasis on reading comprehension, some parts of speech and the assigned literature reading for this month. Math for both grade levels will focus on expanded form, word problems, and coin and money. Cultural Arts lessons are year and its parts, land forms, calendar, fish, types of plants, all about the equator and more. A Happy Thanksgiving to all our OMS families.

Ms Marie - Class # 6

We are thankful about our education this month. We are excited to explore and learn about the Pilgrims' voyage and Native American people. We will learn the parts of the year for history. Our Zoologist are going to learn about parts of the fish and eating healthy. Our Geologists will learn about North American animals and landforms. Our Botanists will learn the parts of the tree and enjoy more experiments. This month we are reading "The Snowy Day" from our literature list! A VERY HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL!

Ms Blossom - Class # 7

Welcome to the month of appreciation and giving thanks! We will learn more about nouns, prefixes and commas & in math, multiplication/skip counting. Geography; 3rd graders will continue their European Exploration with the study of its countries and capitals & in history, the stages of man's progress; Fundamental Needs of Man (food). Facts & parts of a mollusk in zoology. 2nd graders will learn types of plants and facts & parts of a fish in zoology. Our veterans will be remembered as we pay tribute to them and go on a trip to the Alhambra Park to visit the Veteran's Wall.

Ms Sue - Class # 8

We will start off the month extending our heartfelt thank you to our brave Veterans. We will go back in History to learn the Story of Thanksgiving about the first pilgrims & famous Native Americans like Pocahontas and Squanto. Our studies on our first Thanksgiving will emphasize the need for good nutrition and help us to understand the Food Plate. This month will help us appreciate the rich cultural influences of our own families; rich diversity here in our own classroom. Kindergarteners are excited about their Immigrant Interview presentations where our little TK's will be their big audience.

Ms Ernamarie & Ms Mary Ann - Class # 9

We welcome the month that hosts Thanksgiving; a time to reap the harvest and celebrate family's bounty. Focus on this month's Math and Geometry; order of angles & operations. Additional lessons and a brand new literature assignment will keep our students engaged. Students are excited and motivated to work on detailed studies of two great continents, Asia and Africa. For positive traits; no matter how engrossed our students are learning in class, there is always a time to be resourceful and helpful.