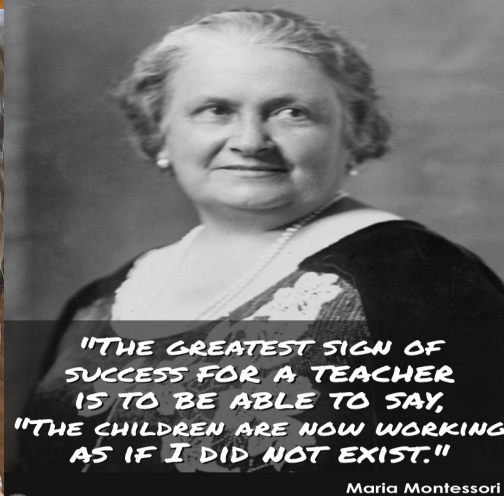


# CMS FAMILY



A NEWSLETTER FOR THE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES OF CANTON MONTESSORI SCHOOL

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# *Garden Room Gab*

Garden Room News: We made it!!! I want to take the time to thank everyone for your patience as we navigated through new territory. We could not have done it without you. You have been a blessing to the Garden room. Hopefully those days are for the most part behind us. Thank you to all that helped out the Garden Room and CMS with Spring Fling. I am so happy that we were able to reach our goal. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!! Now that the weather is nice, we have been able to spend more time outside and have been observing the beauty of nature in spring. The children have observed a Mourning Dove and watched as she went from sitting on her eggs until the fledglings left the nest. We are now on our second set of babies and waiting for them to hatch. We also watched as tiny winged insects hatched and left a tree stump. The children were fascinated as hundreds of these left the tree trunk.

## Thank you

Germano Family: A/C

Power Family: Laminator /Sheets

DeLaCroix Family: Gift Cards

Jakmides Mack Family: Classroom Project

Anderson Family: Subway lunch with Ms. Carla



## Wish list

Transportation Stickers

Summer Stickers

Zoo/Jungle Stickers

Bubble machine

Sprinkler

Match box cars

Large wooden cable spool



# Sun Room News

Sun Room friends finished off the school year by learning about insects and gardening. We started a vegetable garden after reading the book *So You Want to Grow a Salad?* To help our garden, we raised butterflies to pollinate plants and ladybugs to protect from pests. We are looking forward to summer camp where we will be learning about the ocean and sea creatures in June; whipping up some 'cool treats' in July and finishing up with a look at arctic animals. Many thanks to our parents for all their generous donations throughout the school!

- Miss Jennifer





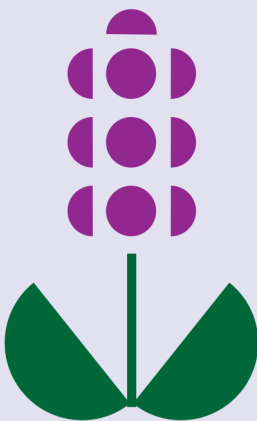
# *The Ballroom*

Ballroom students enjoyed exploring Europe, Asia and Australia in March, April and May. We love learning about the food, weather and monuments as well as the celebrations and languages of cultures across the world.

Spring provides a great opportunity to observe life cycles of frogs, butterflies and plants. We dissect flowers and examine each part. We take nature walks on our playground and search for signs of new life. Ballroom students have especially enjoyed classifying vertebrates and invertebrates inside and outside!

Special recognition to our Ballroom kindergarteners, Paxton, Caiden and Bennett! We are grateful for your leadership and will miss you dearly!

-Mrs. Bridget



# Kindergarten Enrichment

Kindergarteners share their favorite memories from this year....

Bennett: “I liked learning about pirates and the islands and the hidden treasure and the Pteranodon from the Cretaceous Period.”

Lincoln: “I loved creating story boards this year. I really liked making the Ice Age one. I have saved every story board from the whole year. I also liked football, soccer and basketball but the obstacle courses were my favorite. Touching dinosaur dung was gross and fun.”

Paxton: “Learning about pirates was fun. They had a cool space for the Captain and I liked the Jolly Roger. We are not sure if they hunted for hidden treasure.”

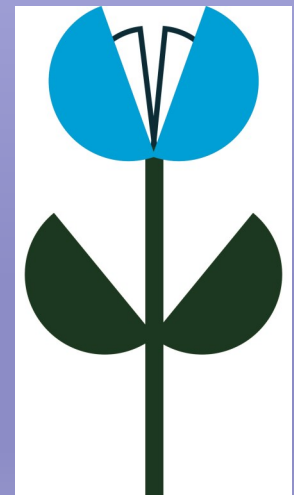
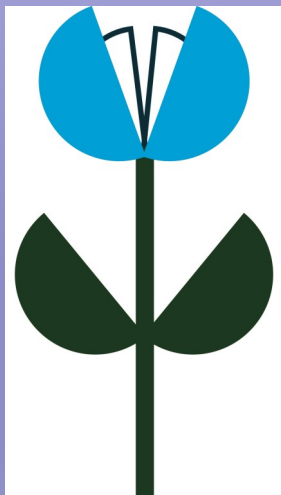
Aune’: “All of the animals were fun. I liked yoga and the tree pose the best.”

Jacob: “Research and story boards are my two favorite things in Kindergarten. I liked painting in Art. I’m into it now.”

Caiden: “I loved the works on the shelf like the shark jaw, sand dollar, and starfish. We studied the ocean layers then and the coral reef.”

Sophia: “I liked learning about the Pteranodon and researching the Amazon Rainforest.”

Thank you, Kindergarten students for a great year filled with learning and fun! Wishing you the best in first grade!



# The Loft

Students in the Loft welcomed Spring and all of the wonderful changes in weather that come along with it! We discussed various weather elements and their effects on all of the beautiful plants blooming during these months. We celebrated Earth Day by making wildflower seed bombs, which hopefully some of you have planted in the ground by now. We learned about the life cycle of frogs and studied reptiles. The kids especially got into researching the lengths of various snakes. We even had a special visit by Mr. Tim and his pet snake, Amelia. They were SO excited to feel the scales of a real ball python! We learned about birds with a special focus on those native to Ohio. The cardinal was everyone's favorite by far. Making bird feeders, comparing different feathers, and observing them right outside our windows were some of our favorite activities. In geography we explored the continents of South America, Africa and Asia including their native animals, landmarks, cultures, and people. The kids loved learning a Swahili folk song from the African country Ghana called "Cheh Cheh Kule". I hope they were able to sing it to you!

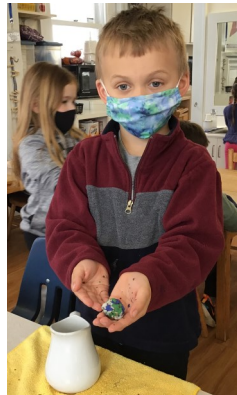
Studying the life cycle of the butterfly was a definite highlight for Loft students. We observed them in our very own butterfly garden, beginning as caterpillars. They formed their chrysalis, and finally became butterflies right before our very eyes! It was an unforgettable event taking them out to our playground and releasing them. They were both ecstatic and sad to see them go.

Samantha and I want to express our heartfelt thanks for all of the notes, gifts, and treats that were showered upon us during Teacher Appreciation Week. Your generosity is always overwhelming! We welcomed a new Loft student this month, Leah Crawford. We are so happy to have you!

I'd like to take one more opportunity to thank you all for helping us make this unusual year SO successful. Without your flexibility and support it simply would not have been possible. Hopefully things will look a lot different when we return in August. Have a wonderful summer with your families!

All the best,

Miss Molly





# *The Parlor*

The Parlor finished the school year strong! Students were excited to have warmer weather to allow for more outside work time. We made toast with different toppings, honored our kindergartners, made lip balm, and even tried some new foods with our “friendship soup”.

We are sad that our school year is wrapping up, but we are happy to report that this was another successful year for the Parlor. I look forward to seeing you all at the CMS Family Picnic.

- Olivia





# LOWER ELEMENTARY

The Elementary students had Park Science Day at Arboretum Park recently. Rotations included stream searches for macro-invertebrate, experiments with Newton's Laws of Motion, making bird feeders, and experimenting with seed dispersal.

For Phys. Ed., Lower Elementary students ended the year with a six week soccer unit at HoF Fitness Center. Our coach recognized their efforts learning the basic skills with a certificate and everyone got to keep a soccer ball with which we've been practicing!

- Mrs. Liotti





# Upper Elementary



Walking from the Elementary Annex to Arboretum Park



Upper Elementary finished 6 weeks of Tennis lessons at the Hall of Fame Fitness Center.



Upper Elementary students practiced and combined their many talents and organized a talent show that was performed in front of Lower Elementary. Talents included:

**Morgan - Ballet**

**Niko & Cameron - Comedy**

**Bella & Josie - Singing duet**

**Jaden - Magic tricks**

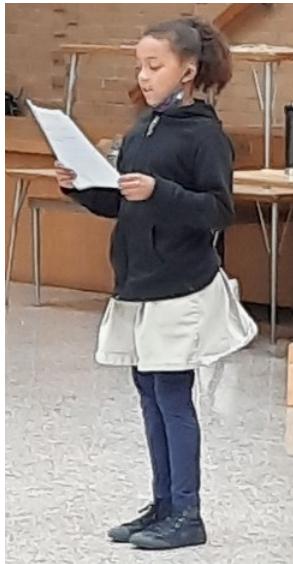
**D'yani & Morgan - Piano duet**

**Iris - Singing solo.**

**Aydon, Mhari, Amyah and Kyran - organized the show, introduced each act and played music.**



**We have such talented kids!**



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