

# CMS FAMILY



A NEWSLETTER FOR THE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES OF CANTON MONTESSORI SCHOOL

*The child has a different  
relation to his environment  
from ours...the child absorbs  
it. The things he sees are not  
just remembered; they form  
part of his soul. He incarnates  
in himself all in the world  
about him that his eyes see  
and his ears hear.*

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MARIA MONTESSORI  
THE ABSORBENT MIND





# Garden Room Gab

Wow!! How did we reach the end of the school year so quickly?

We want to thank you for a wonderful and at times tough year as we navigate through Covid for yet another session of school.

Your patience and understanding has meant so much to Mrs. Tanya and I, we couldn't ask for a better support system for our classroom. Thank you to the tiny faces that greeted us with joy every morning, and were so eager to learn and provide us with comic relief when we needed it most. Thank you for all that you have done this year.

Summer is just around the corner and we are looking forward to having a great time! We will be having lots of water activities both inside and outside. If you could provide a bathing suit and crocs or water shoes that we can keep in your child's cubby we would appreciate it. Here are the themes we will be learning about this summer.

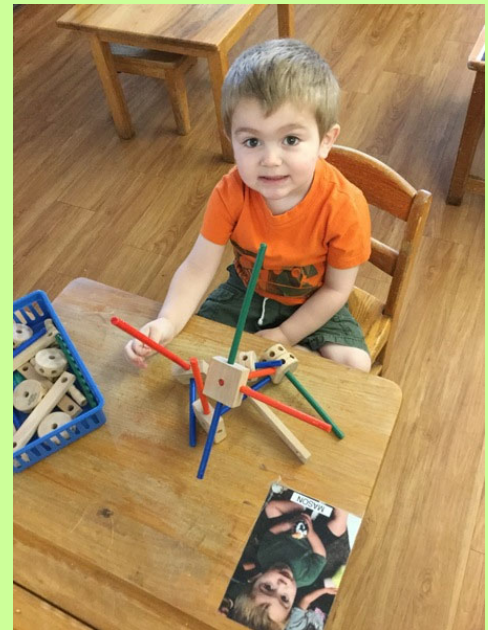
*June: Transportation*

*July: Beach and Under the Sea, 4th of July*

*August: Camping We are in need of a small tent, just to borrow.*

Thank you

Mrs. Carla Turpin, Mrs. Tanya Barremore





# Sun Room News

We have had such a busy Spring in the Sun Room. In March, we studied healthy foods and made vegetable soup. Friends especially liked making their own zucchini noodles. We have moved onto gardening and insects for the remainder of the year. Friends have started a variety of vegetable from seed which we will be transplanting to the garden on our playground. They have all enjoyed the book *So You Want to Grow a Salad?* and are looking forward to harvesting vegetables to make salads. We have also been learning about insects that are beneficial for the garden. Friends have learned about pollinators such as bees and butterflies as well as ladybugs which protect plants from pests. We have all enjoyed observing the life cycle of ladybugs and painted lady butterflies up close as we have both caterpillars and ladybug larvae in our room. They should all be ready to release in our garden before the end of the school year. Many thanks for the generous donations of seeds for our garden; grocery cards for our cooking projects in March and the Amazon cards we used to purchase our insect larvae.

We are looking forward to summer camp starting in June when we will be taking a trip to the beach and learning about ocean animals. In July, friends will be beating the heat with cool treats. We will be enjoying homemade popsicles and maybe a few other frozen snacks. Finally, we will wrap summer camp by studying the Arctic and Antarctic.

Miss Jennifer, Miss Krista and Miss Rachell



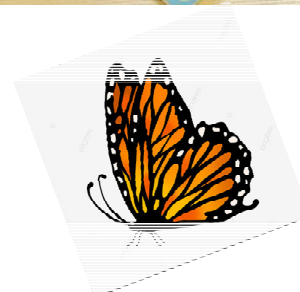
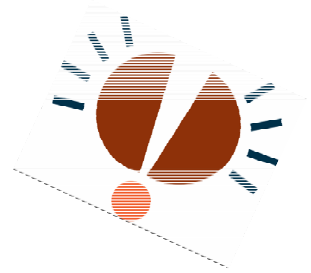


## Summer Wish List

June: grocery cards for special snack activities; ocean stickers

July: ice cream, popsicle and/or sunshine stickers

August: penguin and Arctic animal stickers





# *The Ballroom*

Ballroom students enjoyed exploring Europe and Asia in March and April. We built the Eiffel Tower and the Leaning Tower of Pisa and researched the Giant panda and tiger.

In Science, we continued our studies of the human body, focusing on internal organs and their functions and completed our unit on vertebrates with Amphibians and the life cycle of the frog. Earth Day presented a great opportunity for Ballroom students to share their love of our mother earth and to discuss actions we can take to protect our great planet.

We will end our year with a focus on Australia, invertebrates and braiding, weaving and sewing.

Alexis and I would like to thank you, Ballroom parents, for your continued support throughout the year. We especially enjoyed Grandparents' Day this spring as well as the parent visits. We know that your children were beyond excited and so proud to share their work.

We wish you all the best this summer!

Bridget and Alexis





# Kindergarten Enrichment

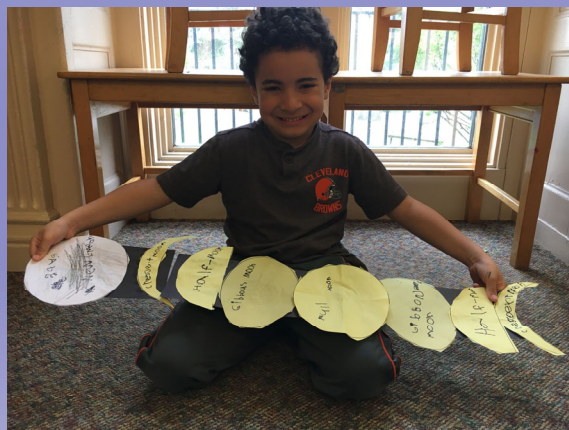
Kindergarteners have been busy dancing, singing and reading!

In April, the kindergarteners joined elementary on stage for the Lion King Musical. The audience was wowed by the talent and determination of the kindergarten and elementary performers! Congratulations to all and to Ms. Taylor for her leadership.

Our adventures continue around the world as kindergarteners travel back in time reading the Magic Tree House series. In book 7, *Afternoon on the Amazon*, author Mary Pope Osborne takes us on a journey to the Amazon rainforest. Students designed storyboards with the layers of the rainforest and researched the animals that reside in each layer. *Sunset of the Sabertooth* sent us back to the Ice Age. We had a blast crawling under tables to sketch cave drawings of woolly mammoths, sabretooth tigers and giant ground sloths. We painted the phases of the moon, researched the planets of the Solar System and created constellations while reading *Midnight on the Moon* and will end the year with *Dolphins at Daybreak* as we traverse our massive oceans.

Thank you to the kindergarteners for a year filled with adventures and exploration! Wishing you the best in first grade!

Mrs. Bridget





# The Loft

We have had a busy, productive and exciting time in the Loft this spring. After finishing our studies of South America and Africa, we moved on to Asia. We will finish the year focusing on Australia and reviewing all of the continents. Children have been working on puzzle maps, learning native animals, coloring flags of various countries and of course listening to many stories. Geography and cultures are always favorite subjects in our environment.

In science we covered reptiles and amphibians, and we are currently learning all about butterflies and other insects. The children have absolutely loved watching our caterpillars grow and form their pupas. We are anxiously awaiting the last stage of metamorphosis, which is turning into a butterfly. We will be releasing them on our playground when the time comes. I will send along some photos when it happens.

I want to thank you all again for your generous donations to our Spring Fling basket. It was so fabulous! That basket earned CMS \$310! Spring Fling was a wonderful event and very successful as well. It was so nice to see many of you there. The Jenga set hand painted by our classroom was also a most treasured item.

As we wind down our year Samantha and I would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for entrusting the care your children to us. They have all grown so much we cannot believe it! Some of them will be moving on, but many of them will be with us again in August. We hope you all have a wonderful summer and we look forward to our time together again.

All the best,

Miss Molly





# *The Parlor*

The Parlor students have been learning about different life cycles. The students have learned that a life cycle is a series of stages a living thing goes through during its life and that all plants and animals go through life cycles.

The Parlor students have discovered that plants start as seeds. When those seeds start to grow, we call that germination and that most plants make seeds in the form of fruit. The seed inside the fruit can then be planted and grow into a new plant and the cycle starts over again.

The Parlor students also learned that animals begin life either from an egg or as a baby that is born live. Baby animals then grow and change into adults and that each type of animal has their own unique life cycle.

The Parlor students also discovered that some baby animals look much different from their parents like caterpillars which will turn into butterflies. They learned that animals that change dramatically during their life cycle go through a process called metamorphosis.

Miss Courtney and Miss Jacque









# LOWER ELEMENTARY

The Elementary students have been busy wrapping up the last months of school with some exciting events.



Lower Elementary Poetry Recital and Tea

Science Day at the park



Spring Musical

Have a great summer!!  
Mrs. Liotti and Mrs. Chandler





# Upper Elementary

My students went on their end-of-the-year field trip to University Circle. The UE students earned the money for this trip through pizza and Deli Ohio lunch sales. They spent the whole day visiting the Cleveland Museum of Art, the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, and the Cleveland Botanical Garden. We will be meeting the Upper Elementary students from Cleveland Montessori for pizza at Tony Brush Park.

- Mrs. White



Museum of Art Bridge



Cleveland Montessori Friends









## SUMMER MEET UP

**Saturday, June 11th 10:00am—12:00pm**

### VETERAN'S PARK

1714 Schneider Street NE  
Canton, OH 44721  
(330) 492-4689

Join us for fun in the sun while spending time with  
other CMS families!

Splash Pad available! Please bring appropriate clothing.

(Parents are required to stay)

Donuts and juice provided

**RSVP by June 7th to [hos@cantonmontessori.org](mailto:hos@cantonmontessori.org)**

*There is no rain date available.  
If there is inclement weather,  
the event will be canceled.*

