



## RENAISSANCE MONTESSORI ACADEMY

### Notes and News

#### STUDIO

Dear Families,  
I hope everyone had an amazing holiday and Happy New Year! We've had a great start in our studio and it was wonderful to see everyone busy working.

Here's what is happening in the month of January:  
Our artist inspiration is Kandinsky, so look out for the beautiful canvas art that will be created by the studio children in January and February.  
At the Creative corner, the children have been introduced to clay.

Apart from art, studio children will be exploring practical life, sensorial and science centers every day.

Thanks again for coming for our art show at the Parker Library! Each artwork was so unique and I couldn't be prouder for every studio child.

Thankfully,  
Ms. Kris

#### MUSIC AND YOGA

In music, the children are going to study sound quality, including pitch and tone, using different vocal scales and instruments.

The focus of our yoga practice will be balance. We will be starting the new year on a balanced foot by practicing different standing poses.

Thank you,  
Ms. Amy

### Dates to Remember

- Monday, 1/21 – School Closed
- Thursday, 1/24 – Pizza Day and Lunch Bunch
- Thursday, 2/7 – RMA Board Meeting 6pm
- Friday, 2/8 – Parent's Night Out – 6-9pm
- Tuesday, 2/12 – Family Committee Meeting, 2:15-3:15pm
- Thursday, 2/14 – Teddy Bear Picnic 8:30-11:30 am  
*(\*volunteers needed for project prep and at event\*)*
- Friday, 2/15 and Monday, 2/18 – School Closed

**Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**Fundraiser and Auction Event**  
**6-8:30pm**

Thank You!

*We are so thankful for all of the beautiful holiday cards and gifts. Happy New Year to you and your families!*

### 2019 Fundraiser and Auction Event

Get ready for our biggest and best event of the year! Tickets are \$25 each and include one drink ticket (beer or wine). Delicious appetizers and desserts, fun games, incredible silent auction items and baskets (some not available for pre-event bidding!) and a live auction. Keep an eye out for an Evite so you can RSVP, buy your tickets and then forward on to your friends and family (they're invited, too!). Childcare will be available for \$15 per child.

### Reading and Phonemic Awareness

Did you know that a child's phonemic awareness (the ability to recognize, distinguish and separate individual word sounds) is an excellent predictor of future reading success? Check out an Usborne Phonics Reader from the lobby and to read with your child. Then, bring it back and check out another!