

# Fayetteville Montessori School

## MAY NEWSLETTER

### Looking Back & Looking Ahead

As we come to the close of another school year, I want to take a moment to reflect on what a full and exciting month May has been across our campus. From Teacher Appreciation Week celebrations to dance recitals, gymnastics performances, piano showcases, and end-of-year milestones, we are so grateful for the support and involvement of our families. Thank you for helping make our school community such a special place for children to grow and thrive.

May is always a season of celebration and transition. Over the next few weeks, many students will prepare to move up to new classrooms and levels in June. These milestones are an exciting part of the Montessori journey, and we look forward to supporting each child through the process with care and intention.

We are also excited to welcome many familiar faces back to campus for our Elementary Summer Camps! From space and world cultures to engineering, art, and animals, summer will be filled with creativity, curiosity, and fun.

As always, thank you for your continued trust, flexibility, and partnership. We are incredibly proud of the growth we have seen in our students this year and are looking forward to a fun, engaging, and joy-filled summer together at FMS.

### SUMMER REMINDERS

- Please make sure all extra clothing brought to school is weather appropriate and clearly labeled.
- Summer sandals should be secure enough for playground play and water activities. Tennis shoes are still required for regular recess.
- If your child will be absent for vacations or summer travel, please let your teacher know in advance when possible.
- Lost and found items tend to grow quickly during the summer months — please make sure belongings are labeled.

## Summer Schedule

Beginning in June, classes will begin shifting to our summer schedule. To help avoid the hottest part of the day, classrooms will start their mornings outdoors earlier in the day. Please help us prepare your child for summer weather by:

- Applying sunscreen and bug spray before arrival
- Sending a labeled water bottle each day
- Checking Brightwheel for classroom playground schedules and updates

We also know many students are eagerly anticipating the return of Friday Water Days! More details and classroom-specific information will be shared from your teachers through Brightwheel.

Community Music & Movement classes will continue for Early Primary and Primary students throughout the summer, along with optional subscription dance and gymnastics classes. Be on the lookout for updated summer schedules and registration information from Tatum Collective.

As a reminder, for student safety we do limit outdoor time when heat index temperatures rise above 89 degrees. Our staff closely monitors weather conditions throughout the day to ensure children remain safe, comfortable, and hydrated while enjoying outdoor activities.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- ▶ **Monday, June 1st**  
First Day of Summer Session
- ▶ **Friday, July 3rd**  
Campus closed in observation of Independence Day
- ▶ **Friday, August 7th**  
Last Day of Summer Session
- ▶ **August 10th-12th**  
Campus Closed for Teacher In-Service Days