

ST. MAARTEN



MONTESSORI SCHOOL

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

We dedicate this month to Breast Cancer Awareness.

PRIMARY

Ms. Esperanza

We welcome our students back to the classroom after a well-deserved break. The kids came back happy and ready to work.

We have some fun activities planned for the rest of October.



On Fri., Oct. 23, we'll have Dress Down Day

– please wear **pink** – to support Positive Foundation and breast cancer awareness. If your child wishes to dress down, please send in a \$2 donation.



On Fri., Oct. 30, we'll celebrate Hallowe'en

– in our classroom, with a **free** dress down day. Students are permitted to wear costumes, but no hand-held weapons or toys are allowed. Students also must wear their face shields at all times.



LOWER ELEMENTARY

Ms. Shelly & Ms. Ethlene

Everyone has returned after the mid-term break, with their completed package of work and settled back into the routine very nicely. We once again reviewed safety guidelines surrounding Covid-19.

Please remember that all homework is due at school **every Friday**. Kindly remind your child to pack it in his or her bag.

As a school, we join with Positive Foundation in October to raise money for breast cancer research. **On Fri., Oct. 23**, we'll have a dress-down day and wear **pink** to support breast cancer awareness. If you wish to dress down, please bring a \$2 donation for Positive Foundation.

On **Fri., Oct. 30**, our usual Hallowe'en tradition of dressing in costume and playing games will take place in our classrooms. More details to follow soon.

Level 2 and 3 students are welcome to attend study hall, held **Tuesdays to Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.**, for homework help in language and/or math. Please bring homework books to study hall! On study hall days, children are welcome to bring an extra small snack to munch on before study hall.

Show & Tell is held **every Friday**, and children can bring in anything of their choice to share with their friends.

We continue to encourage nightly reading, as we have many avid readers, and by practising nightly, children will gain fluency.

HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAY TO

Henry, Evan,
Rohan,
Haylie and
Ms. Shelly!



UPPER ELEMENTARY

Ms. Marianne & Ms. Wendy

Welcome back from our well-earned mid-term break! That week, all students kept their skills fresh with well-handled math and language homework. In particular, we were delighted with the quality of novel studies and Butterfly Storybook short stories now in revision. Thank you for a job well done!

In November, UE will celebrate our annual **Breakfast of Thanks** event by honoring those special people who keep us safe and healthy at school – our dedicated Security and Housekeeping staff.

Typically, we invite our guests to Room 203 each year. This year, however, we'll prepare gift baskets, including staple food items and treats, for delivery. As always, UE students will prepare cards and speeches for our honorees.

Ms. Shelly and Ms. Marianne will purchase items for the gift baskets, which UE students will help to pack at school. To this end, we ask for a contribution of \$20 per student toward this much-enjoyed event. Please send in your child's contribution by Fri., Oct. 30.

Just a few reminders about our current schedule:

LUNCH

- 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the picnic tables -- Catered lunches are available by pre-order only from Natural Café. No meals or snacks are available for purchase on campus.

MUSIC

- Beginning Fri., Oct. 23, students will return to keyboard lessons with Mr. James in the former Music Room.

STUDY HALL

- Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Room 203 -- Please let us know which day(s) you will attend, and be sure to bring your homework to each session. Pick-up at the campus gate is PROMPTLY at 2:30 p.m.

Currently, UE students are reviewing the Time Life of Life, with individual period presentations due on **Fri., Oct. 23**. We continue to read aloud Code Talker, based on the true story of Navajo “code talkers” in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II.

Please note the following dates:



Fri., Oct. 23 – Dress Down Day

In support of Breast Cancer Awareness – Please wear pink to raise cancer awareness. Donation: \$2.



Fri., Oct. 30 – Hallowe’en

Students may wear costumes; however, face shields must be worn at all times. No hand-held accessories (wands, weapons, brooms, etc.) are permitted. Please wear your sneakers – no boots, high heels, etc. All classes will enjoy Hallowe’en treats and activities in their own classrooms.

HAPPY OCTOBER

Birthday

to Chris, Sophia and Stella!

