

Palos Verdes Montessori Academy

Dates to Remember:

Back to School Picture Day — October 9

Annual Pumpkin Painting Week — October 26-29

Halloween Parade — October 30

Daylight Saving Time Ends — November 1 at 2 A.M.



~Hello Fall~

We have just completed another great month of school! Our students are pleased to return to school, and they have adjusted to the new procedures we have undertaken. The progress of returning students thus far has been remarkable. We have a busy academic schedule for this month and will be exploring the spirit of autumn through fall colors, pumpkins, and Halloween related activities. A big 'thank you' to all our families who support us in our every effort. We look forward to a productive October!

We are also happy to learn about the recent drops in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations in California. The continuous support and cooperation from our community has tremendously helped us in our efforts to provide a safe environment for everyone.

Annual Pumpkin Painting Week | Oct. 26-29



We will celebrate the special Halloween tradition of painting pumpkins with in-class pumpkin painting sessions the whole week of October 26-29. Kindly send a pumpkin of your child's choice (labeled) to school no later than October 23.

Picture Day | October 9

Town Photo will photograph our students on October 9. They offer a variety of portrait packages for your selection. Students must come in their uniforms for the photo session.



Virtual Annual Halloween Parade | October 30

Please join us for a safe and socially distant Halloween. To avoid large gatherings that can contribute to the spread of the coronavirus, we will have a virtual celebration of the spooky holiday this year.



- Children may come in Halloween costumes on the 30th. Children must bring a set of uniforms to change into after the celebration.
- Children are required to wear masks (meant for COVID-19 contagion prevention) with the costumes. We request that children do not wear character masks.
- In adherence to existing COVID-19 protocols, we will not be able to accommodate parents and guests during the parade.
- We will take a video of each class during the parade and share the videos on Facebook and Instagram.
- Each student may donate a bag of individually wrapped candies to be shared with the class. Individual goody bags are encouraged.
- The school will provide a basket for trick or treating for each child.

Uniform Donations



Yes, the children do grow up quickly! We encourage you to continue donating your gently used uniforms to us as extra uniforms are kept on hand for students who may need them. Further, please drop by the office if you wish to pick up a uniform for your child. Kindly remember that uniforms are mandatory for the children who attend our school.

Colder Weather

Do not let the hot weather lately fool you. The days cool off quite quickly once the sun starts to set. Please send a jacket or sweater with your child each morning. The French Toast website offers a variety of uniform options for the cooler weather.



COVID-19 and the Flu

Influenza, commonly known as the flu, and COVID-19 are both contagious illnesses. As influenza season is approaching, we must prepare ourselves and understand the difference between flu and COVID-19 symptoms. The two illnesses share many symptoms and a test is needed to confirm diagnosis of COVID-19.

Similar Symptoms of COVID-19 and the Flu:

- * Fever, feeling feverish and/or chills
- * Cough
- * Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- * Fatigue (tiredness)
- * Sore throat
- * Runny or stuffy nose
- * Muscle pain or body aches
- * Headache
- * Some people may have vomiting and diarrhea, although this is more common in adults.



More information can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/symptoms/flu-vs-covid19.htm>

Flu Season

Flu season is here! If your child has a fever, sore throat, diarrhea, vomiting, and/or congested cough, he/she must stay at home. Your child must be free from the above symptoms for at least 24 hours before returning to school. Children younger than 5 years of age, especially those younger than 2 years old, are at high risk of serious flu-related complications. A flu vaccine offers the best defense against getting flu illnesses which lead to missed school days.



Please Like Us On Facebook!



We are constantly updating our page with the activities of your children to keep our parents connected. Follow us on Facebook at “Palos Verdes Montessori Academy” to see the exciting academic and co-curricular activities at our school. Indeed, the school is always a beehive of activities!

Daylight Saving Time Ends | Nov. 1

As we get further into fall, the days are becoming shorter. Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 1 and clocks will go backwards 1 hour at 2:00 a.m.



AGE WHEN ADMITTED	TOTAL NUMBER OF DOSES REQUIRED OF EACH IMMUNIZATION
2 through 3 Months	1 Polio 1 DTaP 1 Hep B 1 Hib
4 through 5 Months	2 Polio 2 DTaP 2 Hep B 2 Hib
6 through 14 Months	2 Polio 3 DTaP 2 Hep B 2 Hib
15 through 17 Months	3 Polio 3 DTaP 2 Hep B
	On or after 1st birthday: 1 Hib* 1 MMR
18 months through 5 years	3 Polio 4 DTaP 3 Hep B 1 Varicella
	On or after 1st birthday: 1 Hib* 1 MMR
TK-12 years	4 Polio 5 DTaP 3 Hep B 2 MMR 2 Varicella

Immunization

Are your children up to date with their immunizations? Please see the graphic on the left for the immunizations that are required according to age and grade level.

