



Montessori Matters



**Visiting Montessori teachers from Poland, the Mayor, LOVE4, Montessori Week ...
This month of February promises to be filled with excitement!**

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The Annual Fund

Many thanks for your Annual Fund contributions. With 22% family participation, we have now raised \$11,200 towards our goal of \$25,000! Please visit the website to see the items your child's teacher hopes for.

On the Calendar

The Annual Fund Continues

February

- 10 LOVE4 6 PM
- 15 Board Meeting 7:00 PM
- 16 E1 Parents' Meeting with pizza dinner 5:30 – 7:00 PM
- 16 Oaks Parents' Morning Visit 7:50 – 8:30 AM
- 20 School Closed: Presidents' Day
- 23 E2 Parents' Meeting 5:30 – 7:00 PM

Welcome to Our New Friends!

RMS greeted new friends from Poland during this morning's welcoming ceremony. The group of nine Montessori teachers will work and learn with us during the next two weeks. The entire student body and faculty came together in the media center. The RMS band performed, and greetings were given by RMS Board President Jeff Piepho and Rochester Mayor Ardell Brede. Gifts were exchanged, and the ceremony concluded the song "This is our school."

Montessori Week

To commemorate Maria Montessori and her incredible legacy, we will focus on a 'virtue' for each day of the week. Along with the virtue we will ask the children to wear a color to school that goes along with that particular virtue for the day. We look forward to seeing all of the children wearing these fun colors and participating in all the fun activities during the week! Here are the colors to wear:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Virtue</u>	<u>Color</u>
2/13	Peace	Rainbow
2/14	Love	Red
2/15	Friendship	Yellow
2/16	Empathy	Blue
2/17	Environment	Green

LOVE4

We look forward to celebrating children, RMS, community, and Montessori with you this evening. Doors open at 6 PM.



Some captured moments during today's RMS Welcoming ceremony.

