



Oneonta Montessori School October 2009



GIRL SCOUT TROOP # 353

Congratulations! We are very excited to announce that our Girl Scout troop has been chosen to represent the USA in Great Britain for the Girl Scouts Centennial Celebrations in 2010. They were picked due to the troop's extensive list of awards, badges, merits & recognitions and many hours of volunteer community service.

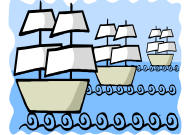
Way to go Troop # 353, you have made us very proud!

We would like to invite all our Kindergarten - 6th grade girls to start a new troop here at Oneonta. They meet every Friday and enjoy many fun field trips and extraordinary projects such as creating costumes, time machines and even programming Robots. Climate Change was an environmental project they worked on that earned them a letter from the Governor himself!

Please pick up enrollment information inside the pocket in the elementary building.

COLUMBUS DAY - School holiday

Monday, 12th



HALLOWEEN PARADE

Fri. 30th - 10:00 a.m.



Children may come to school in costume.

They may bring a change of clothes to school. We will assemble in the elementary playground so that the children will be able to see everyone else's costumes and then go for a walk around the block to say hello to our neighbors and businesses in our community. Parents are welcome to dress in costume and join us on the parade. Halloween snack party sign ups will be posted so that there will be plenty of healthy snacks for all.

HAVE A SAFE AND FUN HALLOWEEN!

FIELD TRIP

Forneris Farm – Thurs, 29th

Rooms # 2 & # 4 Will visit the farm in Mission Hills. A tractor train pull, corn maze, farm animals & a pumpkin patch equals fun, fun, fun!! Children will get their very own pumpkins to take home. Wow! what a great day...Don't forget: jeans, hat & sunscreen!! 3 chaperones per class invited.

DROPPING OFF CHILDREN

Upper parking lot 8:15 – 8:30 a.m.

Parents of elementary students: if you use the upper parking lot at the above times, you may not park your car. You must stay in your car, sign your child in, and allow the teacher in charge to direct your child into school. If you would like to walk your child into school, please use the lower parking lot or park on the street. Thank You.



RED RIBBON WEEK

Mon 26th – Fri 30th



The students will be made aware of staying safe & drug free. The elementary students will make classroom banners, draw pictures, write essays & pledge to be DRUG FREE. An officer from the Alhambra Police Department will visit our school on Mon, 26th, & talk to the students about the importance of Red Ribbon Week. *Drug Free is the way to be!*

CAREER DAY

Friday, October 23

This year we are focusing on having Career Day at the beginning of the school year. We are going through a list of exciting careers that we feel would be of great interest to our students. We have a few already, however, if one of you has an exciting career that you feel our children can't miss out on, please let us know.

Ms Courtney's Ladybugs – Class # 1

Fall has arrived and our little lady bugs are getting ready to celebrate Halloween, and will carve a really scary Jack O Lantern in class. For Botany, the children will be learning about trees and their parts and take a nature walk to discover the different trees in our neighborhood. For Science, we will take a good look at ourselves and learn about what parts of our bodies do certain things and do an exciting sink and float experiment. Happy Halloween!

Ms Audrey's Fireflies - Class # 2

October is here with brand new adventures! Pumpkin playdough, melted wax paper leaves and our own handy dandy telescopes are just a few of the fun projects we're setting our sights on. Christopher Columbus is our first stop then off to Foneris Farms where we will learn about the wonderful fall harvest and pick our own pumpkin to bring home. The fireflies are growing so fast; were already talking about what we want to be when we grow up and looking forward to Career day. Dancing with the stars Montessori style will help us learn about our Solar System and are you ready for some bone chilling lessons on the skeleton? Watch out Dr. Frankenstein, we have some great science experiments to try out!!

Ms Noemy's Honey Bees – Class # 3

It's October, time to get ready for fall. Our little Honey Bees will learn about the four seasons and why they change. We will also learn about living and non living things, plant our own little seeds and watch them grow as we learn about the parts of the tree. Learning our sounds will be fun: "h" is for Halloween "g" for ghost, "j" for jack-o-lantern. Counting the days for our Halloween parade will help us to practice counting 1-31! Hand prints and high fives help us to learn about our new #5...how many fingers do you have☺ ?

Ms Irma's & Ms Charmaine's Butterflies – Class # 4

Fall has arrived at last, phew! After the heat of summer we are ready for some cooling off. It's the season when most leaves take on the color of flowers and nature looks vibrant. We will study this beautiful season, as we press leaves and create a leaf collage. Our amazing bodies will be our theme for Science as we learn about the human skeletal system and the major organs of our body and their functions. Our studies of the Solar system, Christopher Columbus and his adventurous journey to America will prepare us for some of the very exciting art projects planned. Our Halloween celebration will round up our activities for the month.

Ms Vangie – Class # 5

As we sail into October, our classroom routines & rules are in place. After discussing Christopher Columbus' voyage into the new world and a quick review of the 7 continents, we will study various water forms. The Earth and its place in the solar system, the Calendar, and the study of Vertebrates are also on the curriculum. Our reading Club has begun, Students, this is your chance to win prizes & get recognition for the most number of books read.

Ms Dorothy – Class # 6

Trick or treat & creative costumes are back at Oneonta for Halloween! Columbus Day is fast approaching and we will learn about the discovery of America. For History, we will work on the Calendar and its parts. For Geography; water forms, Botany; the needs of plants and an experiment to find out what conditions are needed for growth, Zoology; Vertebrates. In Math, it will be continuation of numeration and expansion of numbers and in Language, green box words, composition and grammar. Happy Halloween All!

Ms Amie –Class # 7

The 2nd graders will be introduced to the Clock of the Eras, the Earth & its Parts and the study of Vertebrates. The 3rd graders will be introduced to the Calendar & the Seasons, & an in depth study of Europe, for Geography. They will continue with Plants and Flowers for Botany. Our Reading Club has got off the ground & we are encouraging our students to read whenever they have a spare moment in class. Students will keep a detailed log of the books they read in class and compete for the monthly prize. Students.... Ready, set, GO!!!

BAKE SALE - The 4th- 6th graders will be having a bake sale every Mon & Fri before school & selling snow cones after school, raising funds for their end of year field trip to the Grand Canyon. Snow cones are \$ 1.00 and are a big hit on hot days. Pls support them; send \$1 with your child!

with Christopher Columbus to America which will lead us into our Social Studies theme; Native Americans. We are gearing up for a very exciting Halloween everyone!

Ms Ernamarie/Ms MaryAnn – Class # 9

Rules and policies have been set and now we are on the go! For Geography, students will study in detail their assigned continents; learn new geographical terms, land forms and Planet Earth. Main groups of the plant kingdom and parts and functions of plants will be for Botany. Zoology focuses on Vertebrates and Invertebrates, and the Time Line of Life and the Clock of the Eras and Needs of man for History.