



St. Christopher's Montessori School

October Newsletter

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- October 12 **Fieldtrip to Galey Farms.** Permission slips have been sent home. Babes in arms are welcome, however please don't bring other siblings due to bus/train/wagon numbers.
- October 18 **BC Shake Out.** Annual Earthquake Preparedness drill during both morning and afternoon classes.
- October 19 **Professional Development Day. NO SCHOOL.** Teachers attending professional conferences.
- October 31 **Black & Orange Day.** Come dressed in Black and Orange! Please **NO** Halloween Costumes. **DO NOT** distribute candy and other treats at school or in the playground.



Observations: Classroom observations will begin after Thanksgiving. Sign-up sheets will be available by each classroom. Come witness the harmony, joy and learning opportunities in our Montessori classrooms.

Handwashing and Keeping Children Healthy

Handwashing is one of the best ways to prevent the spread of germs. We request that all children wash their hands **BEFORE** greeting their teachers at the classroom door. Once your child has changed into their indoor shoes please make a pitstop in the washrooms to wash their hands.



Playground Supervision: There have been concerns about unsafe play – particularly by older siblings after school. **Once a child has been signed out at the end of their school day, the teachers are no longer responsible for their supervision.** It is up to parents and caregivers to monitor the playground. Assure that your nannies are informed and proactive as well. You are within your rights to approach a parent/caregiver whose child is compromising the safety of others. If your attempts at communication have failed, then please report the specifics to Mr Ricky.

St. Christopher Montessori School's PLAYGROUND GUIDELINES

PLEASE USE OUR PLAYGROUND AT YOU OWN RISK

* Children must be supervised at all times *

- Slides: Feet first when going down a slide
- Children CAN go down or up the green slide at the back of the school only
- NO Climbing on the top of the blue slide
- Climbing trees, fences, gates and bike racks is NOT permitted
- Go in one direction on the monkey bars, from the fence towards the slide
- Necklaces and scarves are NOT permitted to be worn while on the playground
- Picnic tables are NOT for climbing. Adults, please don't sit on top of the tables.
- Older siblings using the playground must adhere to these same guidelines

Remind children to be kind to all friends:
"It is kind to invite other children to play with us."

