# Moab Montessori Center News September 2022



Building the Foundation for a Lifetime of Learning

### Calendar Items:

- Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>: Labor Day No School
- Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>: Fall Family Conferences
- Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>: Fall Break No School

#### Toddler Class

This month we will be learning about animals and their habitats. We will learn about how different animals move and how they communicate using movement, games, books, and songs.

We will also be working with the children on using small phrases that help communicate their needs like, "Please help", "I need space", "Yes Please" and "No thank you." We will also be working with the children on becoming independent with hand washing, putting shoes on and taking them off, and other daily tasks, allowing them to practice their routines independently with guidance as needed.



"... the child's individual liberty must be so guided that through his activity he may arrive at independence ... the child who does not do, does not know how to do."

— The Montessori Method

## September Snack Menu

	Morning Snack	After School Snack
Monday	Ham & cheese roll	Bagel w/ cream
	up, veggie	cheese, fruit
Tuesday	PB, graham	Spinach artichoke
	crackers, banana	dip on pretzel bun,
		veggie straws
Wednesday	Pita pocket,	Mixed nuts,
	cucumber,	apricots, cheese
	hummus, tomatoes	stick
Thursday	Turkey and swiss	Pepperoni, cheese,
	mini-sliders, fruit	crackers and
		veggies
Friday	Chips, salsa,	PB&J roll up w/
	avocado, bean dip	apples

#### **Primary Class**

This month we will continue to focus on grace and courtesy as well as lessons from our Peace curriculum to help us develop a classroom culture of mutual respect and kindness. We will begin practicing making silence, so that we can feel our own love lights and set a calm and joyful tone to our work time. We will also be focusing on phonemic awareness by hearing rhymes and identifying beginning sounds of words using poems, finger plays, games, and songs.

In Science, we will be studying the difference between living and non-living things, then move on to the differences between plants and animals. Once that is established, we will start studying botany and zoology in more detail, moving through the types of plants and parts of plants and the different animal kingdoms throughout the year.

In Social Studies, we will begin with a study of the globes, and how they are models that represent our Earth, which is made up of land and water. We will then use the globes to introduce the continents and oceans.

In Art, we will be studying Vincent Van Gogh. We will learn about his life, study some of his famous paintings, and the children will have the chance to make their own art after his style. We will also begin studying movement. Dr. Maria Montessori believed that movement is an essential factor in the physical and intellectual growth of children. So we will be incorporating movement into our lessons throughout the year, beginning with a few basics like running and jumping.