



Moving forward to **July** and **August** our children will explore and learn about **“Music & Dance”** and **“Transportation”** respectively.

Given that we have a 3-week summer break in July, we will focus on the monthly theme of August in this newsletter, in which we will delve into the following topics:

1. The history of transportation
2. Ground transportation
3. Water transportation
4. Air transportation



Character Education – Flexibility (July) and Empathy (August)

In the next two months, our children will learn about being flexible (the capability to adapt to new, different, or changing requirements) and being empathetic (the ability to understand and share the feelings of another).

Cultural Occasions

We will celebrate the following cultural occasions in the next couple of months:

1. Sunday, July 4th, Independence Day (we will celebrate it on Friday July 2nd)

Birthday Celebrations

We will celebrate Ms. Kellie’s birthday on Thursday July 1st (her real birthday is on Wednesday July 7th).

Looking back in June, our children worked enthusiastically to learn about: States and Countries

We counted the stars on the US flag and learned that America has 50 states. Then we focused on our home state – California – the 3rd largest state in the US. Our children like its nickname – the Golden State and our state flower – golden poppy!



From the US and the California state, we moved on to learning about the most populous country in the world – China. We were amazed by the following facts:

- **One out of five** people in the world is Chinese.
- There are **9,000** rooms in the Forbidden City (Zi Jin Cheng), which used to be resided by emperors, their families and servants!
- If we added all China’s rail tracks together, it could circle the earth **twice!**

Character Education – Diligence

By reading books and discussions, our children studied and practiced the trait of diligence in June. We worked very hard for our End-of-Year Celebration performance, which was a great success!



End-of-Year Celebration

We were so thrilled to see many of our parents as well as other family members coming to our End-of-Year Celebration on Friday June 25th! It was almost unthinkable to have such a big gathering just a year ago! A little bit overwhelmed by the huge audience, our children nonetheless presented a fantastic performance! As Ms. Sierra stated in her brief speech, we gathered to celebrate:

- **Our parents and guardians** who took a risk to send their children to our school despite the pandemic. We have made it! Everyone has been safe and healthy. Even more, our children have been thriving!
- **Our dedicated staff members** who have devoted themselves to providing quality education and care to our beloved children.
- Most importantly, it is **our amazing children** who have been working hard and making remarkable progress!



Birthday Celebrations

We celebrated Tiffany's 5th birthday on Thursday, June 17th. We intended to combine this celebration with our field trip to the Lake Cunningham Park. Due to the weather, we separated these two events. Thanks to Tiffany's parents for another gorgeous and informative display board!

Cultural Occasions:

In June, our children celebrated their own festival as well as some other occasions listed below:

1. Tuesday, June 1st, Children's Day
2. Monday, June 14th, Dragon Boat Festival and US Flag Day
3. Sunday June 20th, Father's Day

Montessori Wisdom

Teaching of the Child

"Humanity shows itself in all its intellectual splendor during this tender age as the sun shows itself at the dawn, and the flower in the first unfolding of the petals; and we must respect religiously, reverently, these first indications of individuality. If any educational act is to be efficacious it will be only that which tends to help toward the complete unfolding of this life."

--Maria Montessori, *The Montessori Method*, p. 79





Montessori Quote & Manifestations

“We can move without touching anything and remember and reproduce the movement made with respect to its direction, extent, and so forth. This results from the muscular sensations we have experienced. But when we touch something as we move, two sensations, tactile and muscular, are mixed together, and give rise to that sense which psychologists call the ‘stergnostic’ sense.”

-Maria Montessori, *The Discovery of the Child*, p. 117



Gratitude

1. We are so grateful for each and every one of our families for their contributions of snacks, fruit and food not only for our End-of-Year Celebration but also throughout the month of June!

2. While we appreciate and cherish the support of all our families, we would like to especially thank the families of the following students...

- 1) For the informative and gorgeous display board, cake and fruit for birthday celebration: *Tiffany Lu*
- 2) For the contribution of Butterfly Life Cycle kit: *Emma Pham*
- 3) for volunteering at our End-of-Year Celebration: *Ai-An & William Luotran*
- 4) for their participation in and help with our field trip:
Annie Nguyen, Emma Pham, Tiffany Lu, & Zachary Walker

Announcements

1. Friday July 2nd is the last day for Elyse Nguyen, William Luotran and Ms. Kellie. We will miss them dearly! We wish them best of luck as they continue with life’s adventure! We will take our children to the Lake Cunningham Park as this is also the last day before our summer break.
2. Our summer break starts from Monday July 5th till Friday July 23rd, during which school will be closed. We will miss our children for sure but as educators we need to refresh and recharge ourselves so as to better serve our children.

Reminders

1. June 2021 tuition is due by **Monday June 7th**. To avoid any late payment fees, please make the payment before this date. An invoice will be sent to you soon.
2. Parent Teacher Conference is in the afternoon of Friday July 2nd. School will be closed at 12 noon. A zoom link will be sent to you soon for the PTC.
3. A kind reminder that please continue to exercise precautions over the summer break so as to keep our small bubble safe and healthy.

