



*We "Beelong" to each other!*

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

<b>June 4</b>	-----	End of Year Picnic - Last Day of School ***Note change of date
June 5	-----	NO SCHOOL for students - Packing Day
June 12	-----	Last Day the School Office is Open
<b>August 22</b>	-----	<b>First Day of School ***Note change of date</b>

**SCHOOL INFO**

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After Care (4:00 - 5:00 PM)	.....	303-447-5407
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**FROM YOUR PRINCIPAL**

Dear Community Montessori Families,

It was great to see so many of you at the Mile Marathon at Columbine. It was a beautiful day and quite the event! I'd like to share comments from the children as they write thank you notes to the Columbine children following the joint celebration and introduction to their new school.

- Thank you for inviting us to the Mile marathon, we had a blast.
- My whole school is 'really excited' to share a building with you next year!
- It was nice of you to 'mack' the food and the prizes for us.

- PS I can't wait to 'moov' to your school!
- I hope I make some new friends, your school looks cool.
- I had so much fun there, I can't wait till we move in with you!
- I am very glad that I will 'bea abelle' to 'meat' you when I move to your school. I am going to probably see you everyday in school (I am glad) and at 'reasece.'
- Thank you for the food and the ribbons and I liked pouring water on my head.
- I had a great time, it was tiring but the 'snaks' helped me. It was a great day.
- We had a good time at the Mile Marathon, but I bet we will have a great time next year.
- It is the only time that I can run in the middle of the streets. How did you get the roads blocked?
- I had so much fun. I loved everything. I am in second grade and when I am coming and going to your school I will be in third grade.
- I got 'tiered', it was good 'exersize' for us. I can't 'bileve' you have been doing it for 27 years.
- We will be there next year and I hope I see you.
- It's cool and it's going to be where I go to school and it is so big. I am truly 'exited.'

So, just in case we adults have any doubts or feel overwhelmed these next few weeks as we move a whole school—it is clear that we just need to do as Maria Montessori has instructed us—that is, **follow the child**—if we do, we can't help but catch their enthusiasm.

Sincerely,

Marlene Skovsted  
Principal

<b>THIS IS A CHANGE-- Last day of school    JUNE 4—PICNIC—11:30-12:30</b>
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This will be a time to say good-bye to friends but also the school that has been home for the last 8 years.

1. Bring a picnic lunch
  2. Enjoy dessert and drinks provided by SIT/PTA
  3. Spend time together as a community
  4. Closure Ceremony
    - Dig up the Peace Pole to be planted in the fall at Columbine
    - Children string beads of good wishes to welcome the children who will be attending school next year in current facility
    - Say good-bye to staff and families who will not accompany us to Columbine
- The picnic will be in the fenced in area on 17<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - There will be no parking in the pull-out area during the picnic. The area will be roped off to assure the safety of all of the children.
  - If you choose to take your child with you after the picnic, you **MUST** sign the Student Sign-out Sheet (the sheet will be with your child's classroom teacher). You may **NOT** sign your child out in the office.
  - If you choose to leave your child at school for the remainder of the school day, please notify the child's teacher that you are leaving and that your child is not back in the care of their teacher.
  - If you are unable to attend the picnic, please send your child with a sack lunch and he/she will be supervised by their classroom teacher during the picnic.
  - Children may not leave with other parents unless prior arrangements have been made.

- Dessert and drinks will be provided by Community Involvement Committee.

### **OTHER MOVING NEWS**

We will be all packed up by June 16<sup>th</sup>. Contact your child's teacher if you can help pack. The Right Move, the moving company, will move us to Columbine the week of June 16<sup>th</sup>. Teachers will unpack in August and will be calling for help as their schedule permits. Contact teachers directly if you can help in August.

If work dates are arranged over the summer you will be notified by email. (see how to get on the email distribution list in this Buzz)

A Design team consisting of 4 teachers from each school will begin meeting to plan details of the 'marriage' of our two schools.

The principal position for Community Montessori remains as it currently is.

### **CHANGE -- FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Please note change of date for first day of school for K - 6<sup>th</sup> for the 03/04 school year!  
**Friday, August 22, 2003**

### **CHANGE -- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL, END-OF-YEAR PICNIC**

There will be no school for students on Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. This day is being provided by the district for teachers in all schools involved with closure/consolidation to have additional packing time. This means our last day of school for students is Wednesday, June 4. June 4<sup>th</sup>, then will be our end-of-year picnic from 11:30 to 12:30. The continuation ceremony scheduled from 10:00 -11:00 on Wednesday, June 4 will remain as scheduled.

### **IMPORTANT**

Please look for your child's *Wednesday folder* on **Tuesday** next week, rather than the last day of school. Your child's end of the year report and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade CSAP reading information will be included.

### **E-MAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST**

With the end of the school year next week, we lose our primary means of getting information to you - kids going to and from school. In order to continue to bring you the latest information in the developing transition to Columbine, as well as to encourage your essential feedback in the process, we will begin using a school-wide email distribution list today. The group email will allow us to send you the weekly "On the Move" newsletter throughout the summer, and when necessary ask you for your much needed input.

In using the list, we promise to minimize adding unnecessary content to your already full inboxes. Only critical information like the newsletter and infrequent requests for your feedback will be sent out. Further, your individual email addresses will be protected as they do not appear in emails sent using the list.

We have already collected together some 20% of your addresses, and the first emailing of "On the Move" will go out today. If you do not receive it and are interested in keeping abreast of the transition, please take this opportunity to go to the web address below and add yourself to the list. The BVSD web address will give you all the instructions necessary to both add yourself to the list, as well as to remove yourself - should you decide that you don't want to be bothered. Again, all address information will be kept confidential. Thank you for your support.

Our new list is called "cm-community".

See this link for subscribe/unsubscribe instructions:

<http://www.bvsd.k12.co.us/list/listsab.asp>

### **P. E. NEWS**

Please note there will be no P. E. classes on the last day of school, June 4<sup>th</sup>, as Mr. Neitenbach will be doing inventory and preparing the equipment for moving.

### **LIBRARY NEWS**

Please return all library books **NOW!** The price of the book will be assessed if the book is not returned.

### **UPDATES**

Please do not enroll your child(ren) into the **Elementary Spanish Class** that has been mentioned earlier in *The Buzz*. We are in the process of planning with Columbine for next year and the decision as to what program will be used has not yet been made. Elementary Spanish has agreed to extend the discount rate to fall registration if we choose to offer this program in lieu of other options. Thank you for your patience.

Look for a copy of the **03/04 BVSD School Calendar** in your child's folder next Tuesday!

**Skip-It Jammin' Jump Rope Workshop**—June 9, 10, 11 & July 8, 9, 10 from 9:00 – 12:00 @ Douglas Elementary. \$50—call 303-926-5588 or 303-469-0368 for more information.

Be sure to check our **Parent Information Center** for classes & events happening in our community!

*Community Montessori is committed to making our school and programs accessible to students and visitors with disabilities. If you need special accommodations, please contact our school office at 303-447-5407 at least 5 days prior to a scheduled event or meeting.*