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Greetings From the Head of School

Dear Parents,

We are very excited for our final month of the academic year. There is so much to be excited about and even more to be grateful for. I look forward to meeting extended family who are able to attend Extended Family Day. I am also excited to see all the performances from our lovely children to finish the year. We will be having a Silent Art Auction beginning on May 15th and finishing on Friday, May 26th at our Ice Cream Truck event (the bidding will end as a live auction at 4:00 PM.) We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Motlagh

School Trips

Lower Elementary is going to Nature's Classroom from May 30th to June 2nd. Nature's Classroom is a Montessori based camp where visitors can engage in educational activities based in agriculture and the natural world. Students will take part in nature hikes and various team building activities.

Upper Elementary recently returned from their trip to Springfield. They visited an array of historic sites which explored Lincoln's life, including his homes in New Salem and Springfield, his tomb, and the nearby Lincoln Museum. Other locales were the state capitol and the Illinois Military Museum. In their downtime, they enjoyed time at the pool and watched movies such as *Kung Fu Panda*, *Spider-Man Into the Spider Verse*, and *Coco*.

From April 25th to May 2nd, Erdkinder journeyed to Washington D.C. and some of Virginia's most historic sites. They started their adventure in Washington where they visited exciting places like the Capitol, the International Spy Museum, and the National Mall. After that, Erdkinder spent two days in Williamsburg, Virginia where they learned about the city during the Colonial Period. One of the highlights was the "To Hang a Pirate" play, where they interacted with a member of Blackbeard's crew! On their last day, they visited Historic Jamestowne and the Mariners Museum. In addition to the many educational activities, the students were still able to enjoy each other's company in the hotel pool and while savoring their community meals.



School Trips



Student Graduates

Kindergarten Graduates, East Campus

Amaya Venkatesan, age five and a half, wants to be a chef when she is older.

David Maliarchyk, age five, likes presentations to his class.

Elliana Spiropoulos, age 6, wants to be an artist when she is older.

Jaian Patel, age 6, likes planets, maps, and basketball.

Kathrine Placezek, age 6, wants to be a librarian when she is older.

Lilian Hayes, age 6, wants to be a veterinarian when she is older.

Saayan Patel, age 5, wants to be a police officer when he is older.

Kindergarten Graduates, Huntington Campus

Claire Ader, Age 6, wants to be a famous artist in Chicago.

Audrey Bosnick, Age 5, wants to be an artist and a vet.

Vivian George, Age 6, wants to be a scientist and a mom.

Elizabeth McCaliano, Age 6, wants to be a teacher.

Liam Nolan, Age 6, wants to be an artist and a musician.

Louisa Welsh, Age 5, wants to be a queen.

6th Grade Graduates

Gia Chapla, age 12, is planning to go on a trip to Arizona.

Jayin Wu, age 12, is going to go camping, attend a week of the MANH's Summer camp, and play basketball and video games.

Lena Iwaniec, age 11, is looking forward to spending time with her dog.

Madeline Jou, age 11, is going on a trip to Taiwan, plans to attend many camps, and is looking forward to skating.

Riley Azzano, age 11, is going to go on a road trip and will play many video games.

Roya Jimenez, age 11, is planning to go on many trips this Summer including South Carolina, Greece with her friend Zoe, and more.

Zoe Salouras, age 12, is going to Greece, will be taking archery, and might attend a week of MANH's Summer camp.

Graduation & Convocation

Senior Graduate Interview

This year, our senior, Samantha Adams, will be graduating after six years of attending MANH. Although every year came with amazing memories, her favorite one has been this past year. She especially enjoyed the recent trip to DC where she learned much about America's history and art, a subject which Samantha has a great passion for. The time spent with her class community exploring the many historical landmarks and the various interactive museums is something she said that she will never forget. Samantha loves exploring the great outdoors, looking for animals as she goes. If she has the chance, she might even snap a picture of them. Samantha is a skilled artist who is always looking for opportunities to improve her abilities. After she graduates, Samantha will attend Harper college before transferring to a bigger school to learn more about which path she would like to take. She wants to work in the natural world with a focus on restoring the environment. Samantha also plans to continue pursuing her passion of art through commissioned works.

Graduation

This year marks the inception of MANH's whole-school graduation ceremony. Those who attend on Friday, May 19th will watch as the Kindergarteners, sixth graders, and our Erdkinder senior mark their next significant step in their student careers. The event will feature speeches from staff and graduates, videos courtesy of our school community, and cake!

Convocation

The Erdkinder Convocation will take place on May 18th in the East campus gymnasium. Our senior, Samantha Adams, will showcase her art and nature focused capstone project which she has spent several months perfecting. The evening will also feature a play performed by the Erdkinder Intro-to-theatre students.

Erdkinder Play

During the convocation on May 18th, the Erdkinder class will perform After-School Book Club: a one act play in which the subjects of the student's reading come to life. Over the past few weeks, the intro-to-theatre students have worked hard to memorize lines, to construct props, and string together costumes for the big day. The play will begin at 5:00 pm and will run for 20-30 minutes. We hope to see you all in the audience!

Recent Events & More To Come

Spring Fling

This year, the MANH community came together on Friday May 5th for the Spring Fling! The event took place inside of our colorfully decorated gym. Many elementary and Erdkinder students attended and had lots of fun dancing, listening to music, and eating pizza.

Summer Sessions

For those interested in the 2023 MANH summer camp, there will be a total of four sessions which each boast a variety of educational and engaging classes like tasty baking, drama, and science in the wild (descriptions listed below). Please refer to the MANH website for the other class options and descriptions as well as the schedule.

Tasty Baking: This delicious lesson finds each class preparing and baking cakes, cupcakes, bread, scones, and other delicious baked goods, learning about the science of the ingredients along the way.

Drama: Ms. Kiera will be leading an afternoon drama class where children will be thespians for a Summer Camp Session. The art class in the morning will be linked to the drama class. Children will create stage décor and costumes. There will be a performance that is recorded and sent to all parents at the end of the Session.

Science in the Wild: This science-focused lesson will feature several interactive, hands-on workshops exploring the general concept of botany, including learning the biology of living things and human beings. Students will plant and water flowers and vegetables using the School's planters and garden area, giving them a unique perspective on nature and the wild.

Last Day of School

The last day of the academic year will be on June 2nd. While Erdkinder will end formal classes on Wednesday with student-led conferences on Thursday and Friday, elementary and primary students will enjoy end of year celebrations filled with ice cream and fun.

Campus News!

Fun Episodes of Freeman East

April and May is the big field trip time at MANH. From April 18-20, Upper Elementary took a field trip down to Springfield. In the month of May, Lower Elementary plans on going to Nature's Classroom. These field trips are good for not only learning, but also bonding with their fellow classmates.



Fascinating Work at Freeman West

Thanks to the lovely weather, the Erdkinder kids and Ms. Huma's class are finally able to go outside for buddy recess. Erdkinder is now also able to have gym class outdoors too. We are also preparing for end of year assessments.

Huntington Happenings

The Huntington Primary Class has been learning about Europe as part of their Continent Studies this month. Connor's grandparents came in and explored Italy with the children. Later on, Matteo's mom talked about France. The students learned about many famous landmarks, including the Leaning Tower of Pisa and the Eiffel Tower. They learned to say a few words both in Italian and French, did an Italian dance, made an artwork inspired by the French artist Georges Seurat, and tasted traditional Italian food and French pastry Pain au Chocolat.



Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Participants/Invitees	Time	Location
5/8 - 5/12	Teacher Appreciation Week	N/A	N/A	N/A
5/9	Early Dismissal	Elementary	2:30 pm pickup	Freeman East and West
5/10	Music Performance	Elementary	2:00 - 3:15	Freeman East - Elementary Classrooms
5/11	Botanic Garden Field Trip	Elementary	9:00 am - 2:30 pm	Botanical Garden
5/12	Erdkinder Cafe	Whole School	8:00 am - 8:30 am	Freeman West
5/15 - 5/26	Silent Art Auction	Whole school	N/A	N/A
5/16	Kindergarten Presentation Night	Elementary parents, students, and relatives	5:00 - 6:30	Freeman East
5/17	Dine and Share PTO Fundraiser: Oberweis	Whole School	10:00 am - 10:00 pm	30 Roselle Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60193
5/18	Erdkinder Convocation	Whole School	5:00 - 6:00 pm	Freeman East
5/19	Graduation	Whole School	1:00 - 3:30 pm	Freeman East
5/26	Live Art Auction and Ice Cream Event	Whole School	3:30 - 5:30 pm	
5/29	School Closed	All Students	All Day	All Campuses
5/30 - 6/2	Nature's Classroom Trip	Lower Elementary	N/A	Nature's Classroom
6/2	Last Day of Academic Year	All Students	N/A	All Campuses

Don't forget to sign up for the MANH summer program!