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Greetings From the Head of School

Welcome to all friends old and new to the 2024-2025 school year. We are looking forward to learning and growing together within our community.



Back to School Picnic - by Eli Nelson

This year we continued our annual tradition of the Back to School Picnic. There were many new things at the picnic this year including a petting zoo and horseback riding, but classic activities like face painting continued. Thanks to volunteers, there was an abundance of hotdogs and chips for all to eat and thanks to School of Rock, we got to enjoy amazing live music. However, every year the most important part of this picnic is bonding with classmates, teachers, and parents. And as always, the picnic was a huge success thanks to everyone who volunteered and everyone who showed up and participated.

First Day of School – by Aleks Iwaniec

Wednesday 21st, 2024 was Erdkinder's first day back at school. This year there are 23 students in the Erdkinder program. They started the day off by playing a few icebreakers to get to know everyone and open up paths for great friendships. The Erdkinder community thrives on friendships and working together, which icebreakers help them accomplish.



Campus Corner: Monthly Paragraphs

Fun Episodes of Freeman East + Fascinating Work at Freeman West

The Freeman East campus is vibrant with back to school activities. There are icebreakers, get to know you activities, and more.

The Freeman West campus is shaking things up this year! There are new chairs, tables, paint, and even two new classrooms. The former primary classroom is now split into the Spanish room and a brand new woodshop.

Huntington Happenings

The Huntington Campus is thriving with returning and new students for the 2024-25 school year. One of the wonderful things about our school is honoring and celebrating each person for who they are, and one of the ways that we do this is by celebrating birthdays. In the primary classrooms, children are honored by holding a globe and “walking around the sun” one time for each year of life. This helps children understand the passing of time and seasons by introducing them to the concept of the rotation of the sun on its axis, and how the earth revolves around the sun marking 365 days or one year. In the infant and toddler classrooms, they also honor a child's birthday by sharing a treat and singing together. We look forward to many celebrations!

Classroom Focus: Ms. Salouras

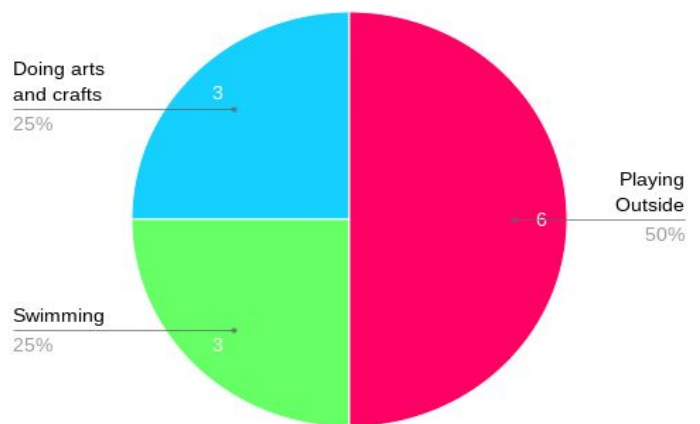
A Day in the Life - by Sergio Suarez

Many children begin their MANH journey in pre-school, and this year is no exception. The newsletter team observed these children as they went about their morning activities.

The preschoolers begin their day with a short recess, a wonderful wake-up activity to get ready for the day. On this playground there are many things not limited to but including, a circle of unicycles, a miniature house, a big playground structure, and child-sized bicycles. It is a perfect environment for large muscle play. After the children have their fun, they head inside to start their learning! They change their shoes, circle around for line, and discuss the agenda for the day. The children are very well-behaved and quiet! We interviewed the children about their favorite summer activities; the results are below!



Pie Chart



Survey - by Eli Nelson

For this survey we asked the primary students in Ms. Salouras's class what their favorite summer activity was.



Meet the Erdkinder Students!

by Layla Morrissey



- This is Ryan. It is his first year at Montessori Academy of North Hoffman. He and his three siblings, along with his cat and dog, live in Saint Charles. His favorite subjects in school are art and science.
- In his free time, Ryan enjoys watching the tv-show Death Note and listening to all types of music. A fun fact about Ryan is that he has never traveled outside of the U.S; if he could go anywhere, he would go to Japan.

Meet the Teachers + Staff!

by David Azaran

Maria Salouras is a first year teacher at MANH's Huntington campus. Since she graduated from MANH, Maria has always wanted to be a teacher; it is the only profession she sees herself doing. She attended Northern Illinois University and has a degree in Early Childhood Education and also specialized in special education. She has lived in: Hoffman Estates, Dekalb, and Dallas, Texas. Her time in Dallas, which was for a whole year, has made her become a fan of the Dallas Cowboys and Dallas Mavericks sports teams. She is fluent in both English and Greek and has 2 rabbits with Greek names: Kanelos and Mavros. One of her biggest hobbies is listening to music and dancing; her first ever job was actually as a dance teacher. Her favorite genres are pop and alternative music. As Maria teaches at the Huntington campus, she also has a younger sister who is currently an 8th grader in Erdkinder, Zoe Salouras.

Erdkinder Café !!!

Bring everyone
you know to our
first cafe of the
year!

**September 13th
at 7:45-8:30 AM
Freeman West
Campus**

*Special: Crème Brûlée
French Toast
Muffin of the Month:
Chocolate Chip*



Upcoming Events

| Date | Event | Time | Location |
|------------|----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 9/13/24 | Erdkinder Cafe | 7:45 - 8:30 AM | Freeman West |
| 9/14/24 | Erdkinder Six Flags Trip | Afternoon | Outside of School |
| 5/16-20/24 | Elementary MAP Testing | Morning | Freeman East |
| 9/19/24 | Peace Picnic | 3:00 - 5:00 PM | Freeman West |
| 9/19/24 | Erdkinder Trip to Mexico Meeting | 4:00 - 4:30 PM | Freeman West |
| 10/04/24 | Erdkinder Cafe | 7:45 - 8:30 AM | Freeman West |

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