

E-2



News

Center Montessori School

March 9, 2018

*"The activity of the child has always been looked upon as an expression of his vitality."
~ Maria Montessori*

E2 Classroom Activities: The research for the students' end of the year projects is well under way with most finishing typing of their first chapters. The students also had a lesson on how to paraphrase information. They have collected their research facts from various sources and now need to begin putting the information into their own words. This takes time as they look for words to change into that are similar and convey the same meaning and/or change the order of each sentence. This independent research time is very valuable to the upper elementary child as it stirs his or her curiosity and satisfies the hunger for information on a very personal level. As Maria Montessori effectively described, "The task of teaching becomes easy, since we do not need to choose what we shall teach, but should place all before him

for the satisfaction of his mental appetite. He must have absolute freedom of choice, and then he requires nothing but repeated experiences which will become increasingly marked by interest and serious attention, during his acquisition of some desired knowledge." We also continued our regular work plan which included calculating area and perimeter. The students really enjoyed getting outside to measure the perimeter of our garden with yard sticks and putting their knowledge to practical use.





May 2-4, 2018

Calendar 2018

March 12- Literature Circle reading due- read to the end of the book

March 12- Puberty lessons start

March 23- Half-day Dismissal

March 26-30—No School Spring Break

April 14- Spring Fling

May 2-4- Nature's Academy trip

May 18- No School- Conference Day

May 25- Last day of school- Half-Day Dismissal

Puberty Lessons

Next week we will begin giving age-appropriate lessons on human biological reproduction , human gestation, and puberty. Please email us if you have any questions. Thank you.