

# E-2



# News

Center Montessori School

February 14 2020

*"If the whole of mankind is to be united into one brotherhood, all obstacles must be removed so that men, all over the surface of the globe, should be as children playing in a garden."*

*Maria Montessori*

## E2 Classroom Activities:

This week, we returned to work in our garden. We are fortunate to have received green lettuce, red lettuce, and arugula starts from Jessica's Organic Farm. The starts are all now



safely nestled into our garden beds. The students are excited to see them thrive and we are all looking forward to a delicious harvest.



We began our groups to play the grammar game. The students had a blast making silly sentences as they reinforced their knowledge

of parts of speech. Here is one such sentence, "The hairy puppy knitted gently under an ugly turtle." Of course, a big highlight of the week was our annual



Pajama Day/Valentine's Day celebration. The students spent the day decorating their Valentine's



bags, working on some Valentine's Day themed mazes and word searches, watching a magic show, and participating in fun outdoor activities. We also had a lovely luncheon catered by El Warike. The students always enjoy such a day of community building and focusing on love. Maria Montessori herself said, "Of all things love is the most potent."



Our big class trip is this year is to Sea Camp in the Florida Keys. The dates are May 6,7, and 8.  
The remaining balance of \$635.00 is due November 15th

There will be some additional costs which we will share with you closer to the trip.

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## Calendar 2020

February 17- School Closed-  
President's Day

February 18-Literature Circle Week 2 Assignment Due

February 24-28- Montessori Education Week

February 27- Cell Project Due

February 28- Schoolwide Celebration- 5:30pm

March 13- Half Day Dismissal

March 17-21- No School—Spring Break

March 23- No School—Teacher Work Day

### Literature Circle Assignments

#### 4<sup>th</sup> The Tale of Despereaux

Week 1 p11-p66

Week 2 p67-p130

Week 3 p131-p195

Week 4 p196-269

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh

Week 1 p3-p60

Week 2 p61-p119

Week 3 p120-p177

Week 4 p178-p233

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*Thank  
You!*

Thank you to Crystal Burkhart for organizing our Valentine's Day volunteers and for spending the day with us. Thank you to the lunch volunteers and those who contributed treats: Kerrie Rupprecht, Erica Smibert, Carling Seguso, Jean Hamilton, Meghan Gasparro, Mike Kennedy, and Wayne Leiser.



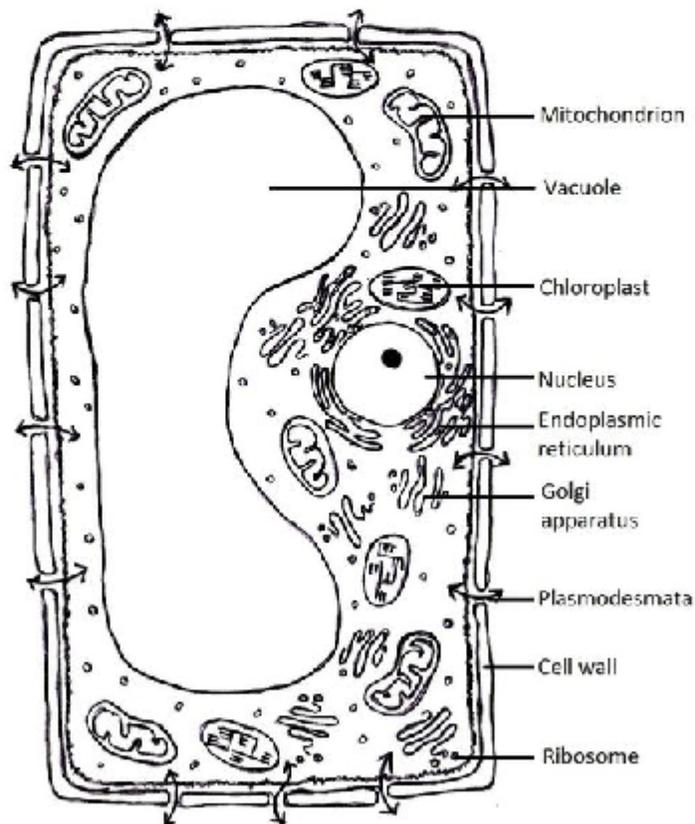
## Mystery Math

A grandfather, two fathers and two sons drove to park together. Each of them bought one entry ticket each. How many tickets have they bought in total?

## Plant Cell Construction

Homework- Due - Thursday Feb. 27

Please create a **3-D model** of a plant cell using objects that you have at home or that you purchase inexpensively. Be sure to **label** the parts of your plant cell using the diagram below as a guide. Short definitions should be included in some way on or with your project. Materials can be items like cardboard, painted macaroni, cereals, grains like rice, clay, beads, yarn, buttons, etc. The model should be about the **size of a shoebox** and you should be able to easily carry the project. **Be creative.** Think of interesting and fun ways to construct your model. If you are looking for ideas- look on Pinterest and Youtube.



# **Plant Cell Construction Homework-**

**Due - Thursday Feb. 27**

Definitions:

Cell Wall- Encloses the cell

Ribosomes - helps make protein

Mitochondria - helps plants breath

Chloroplasts-makes food

Vacuole-regulates fluids

Nucleus-brain of the cell

Plasmodesmata -channels connecting cells

Golgi apparatus - folded membranes for transport of fluids

Endoplasmic Reticulum-helps make protein and fats

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Not pictured (optional)

Chromosomes-passes on genetic information

Nucleoli-helps cells divide

Plasma membrane- holds cytoplasm

Cytoplasm - supports the organelles