

Corpus Christi Montessori School

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Our aim is not only to make the child understand, and still less to force him to memorize, but so to touch his imagination as to enthuse him to his innermost core.
-Maria Montessori

- **November 8th**
PTO Meeting – 5:30 pm
BAG IT Due Today
- **November 9th**
6th grade -8:00 -3:30
Port Aransas Boat Trip
Art Expo Mtg – 6 p.m.
Joe's Crab Shack
- **November 11th**
Middle School Field trip
- **November 17th**
CCMS Community
Thankful Picnic 11:30
- **November 19th – 26th**
Fall Break
- **November 30th**
12:30 dismissal
- **December 1st**
4th grade 8:30 – 3:30
Padre Island National
Seashore
- **December 3rd – 4th**
Barnes & Noble Book
Fair

We Bridge All Things

Early this month staff worked together during the rainstorm....

-Our amazing Mr. Fidel built a temporary path for the children to walk to the school w/o getting their feet wet.

-Ms. Lori, Ms. Kelsie, Ms. Orfie & Ms. Karen carried children through puddles to dry land.

"Ms. Lori scooped her up, carrying her all the way to the entry of the patio.

WOW!!! 🙌 This was such an amazing gesture that she really didn't have to do!!! Please let her know that I really appreciate what she did for my daughter. It's those little moments like that, that assures me that she is in good hands. Thank you!!!

-Melissa Pimentel

Reminder: No Cell Phones during drop-off & pick-up for student safety

Drug Awareness Week

The students participated in a fun-filled week of activities to celebrate being drug-free.

They created banners and discussed what being drug-free means. On Thursday we had a school-wide picnic with many of our families that was a huge hit. This was a great time for us to celebrate our wonderful school and families. Friday morning the students had a visit from the Corpus Christi Police Department. They learned about staying drug free, stranger danger, safe Halloween practices. They were able to climb in a police car and check out the motorcycle. They also had a visit from Detective McGruff-The Crime Dog. It was a fun week!

Visitors to CCMS

Recently a visitor from Del Mar College, Betsy O'Lavin, Associate Professor in came to CCMS. She was enlightened with our program. She is with working with our own, Marie Aguirre for on a technology grant for our school. In the future, we will have Del Mar students coming to work with our school.

Houston Montessori Consultant

Sara Norton visited mid-October. Sara has been working in Montessori for nearly forty decades and is a wonderful resource for CCMS. She was delighted with the lower elementary teachers and students. She continues to be impressed with our school's dedication to the Montessori Philosophy and our vision.

CCMS PTO

Our Parent-Teacher Organization is doing great things as usual. Please be supportive of the BAG IT Fundraiser that is going on at this time.

YOGINOS

Elizabeth Reece Phd, founder of Yoginos and a CCMS parent is doing some amazing things with our students and staff. Beth received a grant which enables her to work with the students and staff on team-building techniques, stress management and relaxation strategies. The students are becoming stronger and more flexible. Emotionally, it helps them manage stress and control anger. Academically it helps with student performance in their ability to stay focused in and out of the classroom.