

2016-17 Calendar

Sat. August 13, 9-11am, New Parent Orientation

Sat. September 10, 10am Exploration Park Meet Up*

Wed. September 21, 10am, Peace Day

Fri. October 21, 7-9pm, Elementary Grand Opening (tentative)

Fri. November 4, 4:30-7:30pm All Stars Family dinner*

Mon.-Fri. November 7-11, Book Fair*

Thu. December 1, 9-10am, MHFC Open House

Thu. January 12, 4:30-7:30pm All Stars Family dinner*

Fri.-Sat. January 20-21, Montessori Journey

Tues. January 24, 5:30-6:30pm, Science Fair*

Sat. February 11, 8:30-10am, Pancake Breakfast*

Fri. April 7, 5-7pm, International Picnic*

Sat. April 22, 8-11am, Earth Day and Family Gardening

***Parent Led events**



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Parent Association of Volunteers



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Who is involved ?

The Parent Association of Volunteers (PAV) is made up of parents, guardian, and administrators who function as the backbone of our volunteer force and help our school to fulfill it's mission and create a sense of community. Officers are elected on an annual basis.

Why participate?

The volunteer force is essential to enriching the community life of the school. What one person can't do, many can and it's a great way to meet and to connect with other parents. Also, research provides evidence that children benefit from parental involvement in school. Not only in the area of academics (motivation, engagement, performance), but also with mental health (resilience and self-esteem) and social functioning (developing relationships). Knowing that the biggest obstacle for parents is time, we have structured events and meetings to coincide with childcare or involve the entire family.

What does the PAV do?

The PAV works as a volunteer body to organize events and support the activities of the school. Our 3 main goals are: Community Building, Social/Special Events, and the MEFI Fundraising

Legacy Walls are being created in celebration of the inaugural year for the Elementary School building. Children's artwork (or hand prints) will be created on ceramic tiles to adorn the walls of either Montessori House for Children, and/or the Montessori House Elementary School. Families are able to purchase a tile (artwork or hand print) designed by their child.

What is the MEFI Fund?

The Montessori House Education Fund (MEFI) is a non-profit organization that operates as a separate entity from MHFC School. The dollars raised by the PAV contributes to the MEFI Educational Services component. This is used for tuition assistance, assistance towards professional development, community outreach and parent education.

How can I participate in the PAV?

- Attend monthly PAV Meetings on the second Tuesday, 5-6pm
- Host a "Parent Coffee" held on the second Thursday, 8:30-9:30am
- Assist in event coordination
- Join the Eco-School Action team (includes gardening)
- Join the Care Committee (extends care to families within the school – in celebration or in time of need)
- Become a **Room Parent**

Room Parent

They serve as representatives of their classroom in the PAV and offer assistance to the teachers. There are other opportunities to volunteer in the classroom, such as, listening/reading, library, special activities, etc.

When does the PAV meet?

The PAV meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 5-6:00pm. Free childcare is available.

The PAV Depends on YOU!

The Parents Association of Volunteers is successful when our parents are actively participating in our activities and events. We strive to have 100% of our parents actively attending our activities and volunteering at the school. The school is indebted to volunteers for their continuing support and involvement.

Welcome to our School!

Get started by contacting any of the PAV officers or Norma at norma@mhfcschool.com. We look forward to getting to know you and your family!

2016-2017 PAV Officers

President: Grace Young Baechle

Vice President: Maria Carolina Mainieri

Treasurer: Alessandra Carvalho

Secretary: Hanna Ottosson

