Week 6 - September 17, 2026

PROVIDENCE MONTESSORI SCHOOL - TEXACO ROAD CAMPUS

THURSDAY NEWS





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Observance Ceremony
International Day of Peace

Today, our students and staff came together in a special observance of the International Day of Peace, which officially falls on Monday. Established by the United Nations in 1981, this annual day is devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and peoples.

Montessori schools around the world also took part in observances, joining voices in a shared commitment to nurturing peace in the next generation.

In Montessori classrooms, peace is not just a concept, it is part of everyday life. Students practice thoughtful communication, cooperation, and self regulation through daily routines and interactions. Teachers guide children in resolving disagreements respectfully and encourage them to express their feelings with words. Across subjects, from cultural studies to science, lessons are designed to foster curiosity, empathy, and a deep respect for the connections between all living things.



Our school-wide gathering was a meaningful opportunity for children to experience community and reflect on how their everyday actions contribute to a more peaceful world.

"Education is the best weapon for peace."

"The child is both a hope and a promise for mankind."

~ Maria Montessori

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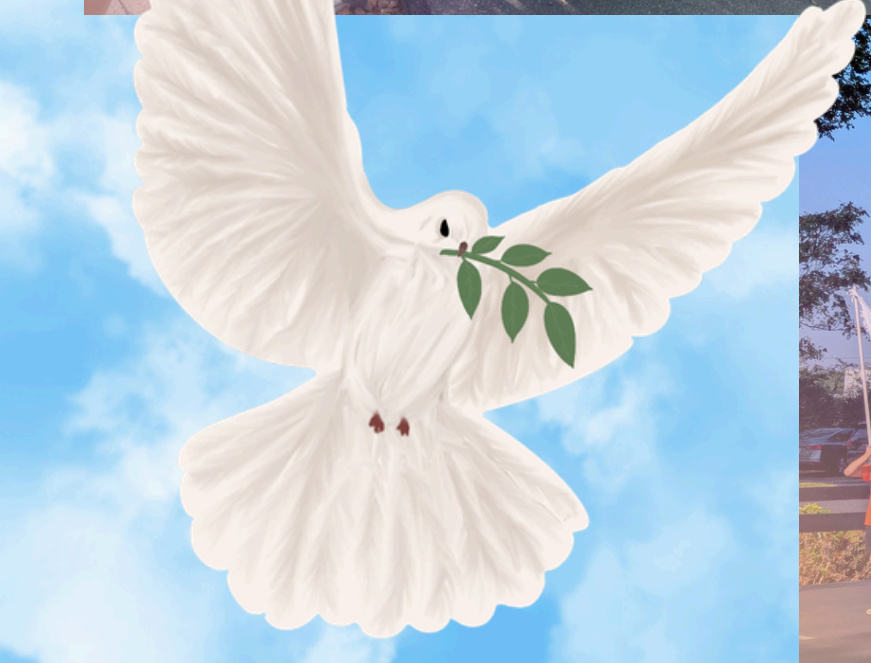


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Why the dove?

The dove has long been a symbol of peace. Its roots can be traced back to ancient cultures, where a dove carrying an olive branch signified hope and the end of conflict. In more recent history, artist Pablo Picasso popularized the dove as a modern emblem of peace when he used it for the 1949 World Peace Congress. Today, the dove continues to represent harmony, hope, and the shared human desire for a more peaceful world.

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UPCOMING DATES

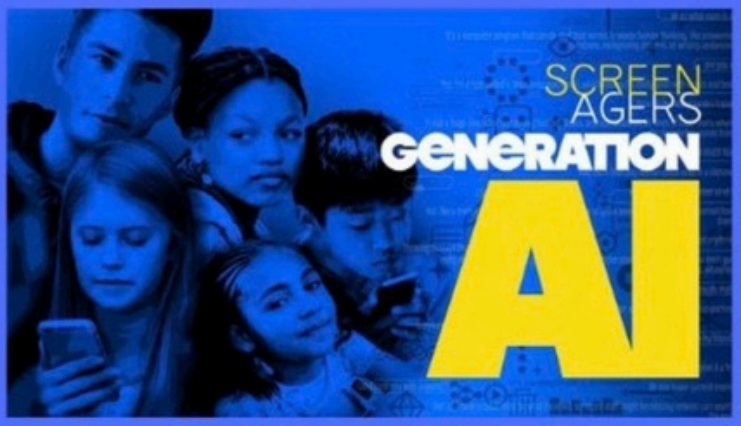
Sunday, September 20
Founders' Day from 3:30 - 6:00 PM
(details shared on following pages)

Thursday, October 1 - Friday, October 2
No School - Fall Break

Sunday, October 11
Grandparents' Day/Open House
Texaco Campus from 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Friday, October 16
1st Year Conferences/Staff In-Service
(Classroom teachers will reach out for conference sign ups)

SCREENAGERS: GENERATION AI IS OUT NOW!



- The film explores what we can do to mitigate the risks artificial intelligence poses to young people's learning, relationships, and mental health.
- Through the stories shared in the film, cutting-edge science, and deeply honest insights from adults and youth, Screenagers: Generation AI provides an emotional look at the risks and what we can do right now in kids' and teens' social and academic lives to promote wellbeing.

Providence will be hosting two free screenings!

- October 15th (at the Middle School
- October 22nd (at the Lower School)

OPEN TO CURRENT STUDENTS AND PARENTS



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A Bronze Award Takes Root at Providence

Sixth grader, **Olivia Dobson (Classroom VIII)**, has spent this year working toward her Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest honor a Junior Girl Scout can earn! She has done so by building a native pollinator garden right here on our campus.

When Olivia's original project site fell through, she reached out to Providence to see if there might be a spot on our grounds instead. After a little searching for the right location, Mrs. Young found the perfect home for it right next to our Toddler House! We hope our youngest students can one day gather flowers from Olivia's garden for their own flower-arranging work.

As of this fall, the garden bed is complete, with a path of pavers running through it. A section has been intentionally left bare for now, where wildflowers, sunflowers, and zinnias will be seeded next spring, once the timing is right. A garden sign is planned to go up alongside the planting.

Olivia is finishing up her Bronze Award submission this month. Congratulations, Olivia! We can't wait to see your garden bloom!





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ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY

Sunday

Food Vendors

Kyle's Kitchen • Burnaco's • DonutNV

Parking Reminder:

Additional parking at the Catholic Center off Leestown Road & plot on S. Forbes Road. There are pedestrian gates to our property at both locations. PLEASE DO NOT BLOCK ANY DRIVEWAYS if parking on neighborhood streets. The school circle will be blocked off & there will be very limited parking in our lot.

Credit Card & Cash will be accepted for ticket sales & vendor purchasing

Activities

Cake Walk • "Take-A-Chance" Raffle baskets to win • Inflatables • Face Painting + Temporary Tattoos • Dunking Booth • Photo Shoot Area • Pumpkin Patch + Pumpkin Decorating • Providence Spirit Wear Booth • Cornhole • Bubbles and More!

Sunday September 20

3:30 - 6:00 PM

1209 Texaco Rd
Campus Grounds

We're excited to have 8th grader, Lillian James, perform on the cello at Founders' Day this year! Be sure to stop and enjoy some live music during the celebration

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ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY

*Note only UE & MS students may volunteer as "dunk-ees"

SIGN UP HERE FOR CAKE WALK DONATIONS AND DUNKING BOOTH VOLUNTEERS*

Raffle Baskets By Classrooms



Toddler 1: *Spooktacular Halloween Fun!*
Toddler Loft: *Adventure Awaits: Get Outside & Explore*
CR I: *A Little R & R: Relax, Recharge, & Unwind*
CR II: *The Gift Card Garden*
CR III: *Cozy Fall Family Night*
CR IV: *Feeling Lucky? The Lottery Tree*
CR V: *Glow Up! Health, Wellness, & Beauty*
CR VI: *Five Below: A Treasure Trove of Fun!*
CRs VII & VIII: **NEW** - *Show Me The Money*
****two baskets, each worth $400 or more in cash****
Middle School: *Let's Get Grilling! The Ultimate Cookout Basket*
****NEW - now featuring an Ooni pizza oven!****



TBT Founders' Day 2024

Sunday September 20

3:30 - 6:00 PM

1209 Texaco Rd
Campus Grounds

NEW

Stop by our "Share Your Story" booth next to the Photo Shoot area. Fill out a card, bring it to the ticket table, and receive 5 free tickets! We love to hear from our wonderful community!

HELP NEEDED

Sign up Here!

We are still looking for many more volunteers to help make Founders' Day a success! **High school and college students are welcome and encouraged to sign up**. This could be a great way to earn service hours while supporting the Providence community.

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Providence Montessori School Blood Drive

Catholic Charities Diocese of Lexington

American Red Cross Bus
1310 W Main St
Lexington, KY 40508

Wednesday, November 11, 2026
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.