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Dug and Dig

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Last year, the sixth graders of 2015/2016 planted a tree called Dug, a scotch pine tree, as a legacy. The year before that the sixth graders helped build the garden and Mt. CMA, which was built from leftover soil from the natural playground. This year the sixth graders planted a blue spruce tree called Dig. We hope that this goes on for a long time as a tradition.

Dug grows much slower than Dig, which will be about fifteen feet in ten years. Dug is located in the lower right hand corner of the field, by the gravel drive and the pergola and Dig is next to the garden in the upper left hand corner. The sixth graders worked together to plant the trees by digging a hole two times bigger than the bottom of the tree, which was a big clump of dirt and roots held together by burlap. The sixth graders worked in groups digging the holes, first by digging around the edges and then another group digs the rest of the hole which they marked by paint. We can't wait until we have a field full of trees!

We must let go of the life that we have planned, so as to accept the one that is waiting for us.

The Very Sleepy Bear

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In the Asteroid room, the Lower Elementary put on a play called the Very Sleepy Bear, this time with costumes, and a longer script. It was about some animals, a lion, a zebra, a sheep and a moose, who want to play cards in a cave. The bear who is trying to hibernate in the cave is cranky and tells them to get out of the cave. The animals try to cheer up the bear, but all he wants to do is sleep. The sheep, who was one of the animals playing cards, understands this and fixes it. There were two narrators. The costumes, made out of colored and plain paper, were very well done. The Lower Elementary succeeded on making another fabulous play!

You can buy hand crafted jewelry in the Upper Elementary with prices from fifty cents to six dollars. All

Upcoming Events

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Good Friday - Friday, April 14th

Good Friday is the Friday before Easter Sunday, which is traditionally a day of fasting and penance in some religions.

Easter- Sunday, April 16th

Easter is an important and oldest festival of the Christian Church, celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Some people have picnics and family gatherings and go on Easter egg hunts.

Science Fair - Wednesday, April 19th

The science fair is an event that the Upper Elementary class works on for a month. The students make an invention, and write various papers including a biography on a chosen scientist.

Holocaust Remembrance Day - Monday, April 24th

On Holocaust Remembrance Day we remember everyone who died in the Holocaust and World War II.

~ Joseph Campbell

money goes to the sixth grade rite of passage.

Central Montessori Academy started in 1978, as The Children's Way preschool. It was formed by parents seeking better outcomes for their children's education. The parents were committed and did everything short of teaching in their single classroom in the Brent School Building, including cleaning, office work, and maintenance.

Laura Saylor, who would later become the head of the school, joined as an intern in 1987. The school soon built an excellent reputation, and in 1991, when the Brent School Building became unavailable to The Children's Way, they were allowed to rent a small house on 8779 Winton Road for just \$1.00 a year from Finneytown High School to prevent a strip mall from being built on that land.

A current teacher, Rene Steinkamp, was a parent of two children that were at The Children's Way in 1991. She felt that the absence of an elementary program was the only problem with the school at the time so she and Laura started the long journey of creating CMA Elementary program. In 1992, with a lot of

The History of CMA

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preschool, full-day kindergarten, and Lower Elementary.

The parent organization decided to give the school a new name in 1997, Central Montessori Academy. In the same year they opened an Upper Elementary program, and the Elementary classes moved to the Greek Orthodox Church. The preschool program stayed on Winton Road and expanded into two preschool classrooms and a full day preschool program.

In 1999, a third preschool class and the two elementary classes moved to the Kolping Center, which came with some difficulties. The teacher needed to pack everything in the classroom up at the the end of the school week, to accommodate for other events. Once a month that same room would be made into a shooting range. It was up to all the teachers and parents to pick up the casings from the bullets the following morning.

acres of land, a house, and a barn. The barn has been demolished with a parking lot in its place. The parents and teachers worked very hard to get the land ready for the children, because the land had been a farm. The front part of CMA was then possible to build, and is now used for offices and preschool classrooms. On November 30 1999, the classrooms were moved to the new location, with only the two pre-primary classrooms staying at the Winton Woods location.

In 2004, the school received a large gift; to be able to build the second part of the building. In April 2006, the construction was complete and the entire school was finally under the same roof. The natural playground was built in 2011 from parent support and fundraising. CMA continues to grow and improve, serving children with quality, Montessori education, and a lot more love.

Information comes from CMA website

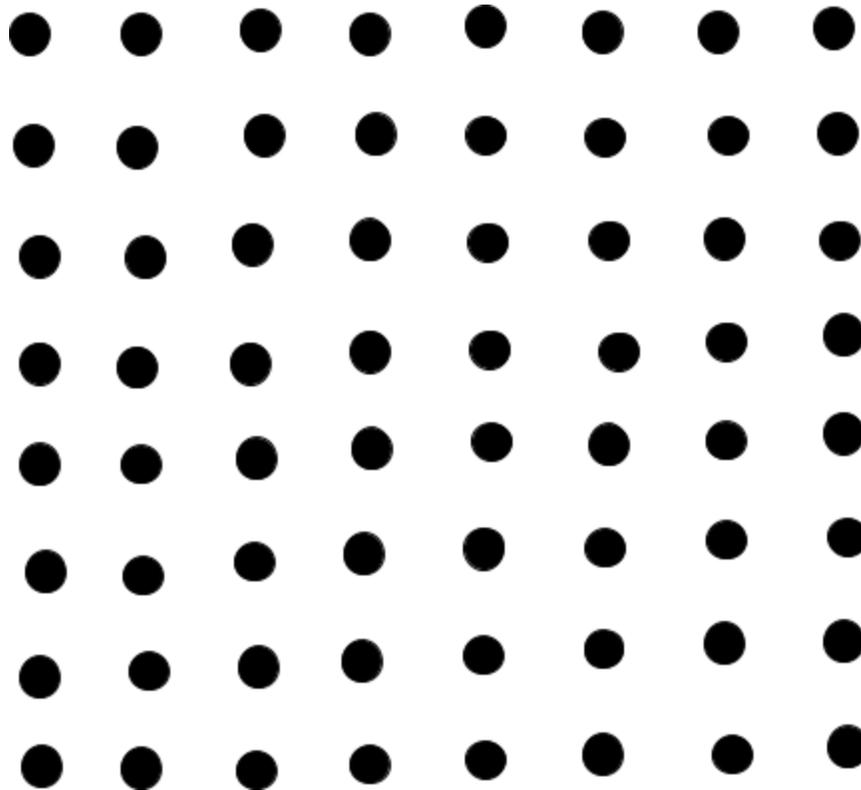
CMA's Upper Elementary students are organizing a talent show in the afternoon of April 21st. As they have done in the past, flyers and sign up sheets around the school. There will be no judges and only Upper and

help from the parents, the Lower Elementary was started, with Laura Saylor as its first teacher. By then, the school consisted of half-day

The school soon came to understand that they needed a permanent building, and purchased the current location of CMA at 1904 Springdale Road. This purchase included five

Lower Elementary students can perform.

Dots and Boxes



Instructions for Dots and Boxes:

To win this game you must take more boxes than your opponent. To take a box you draw a line from one dot to another, and the person who draws the line that completes the box takes the box and puts their initials in it. You and you opponent will take turns. You cannot have more than two lines connecting to one dot . Whoever has the most boxes by the end wins.

Word scramble

Foods

acnob

hichndasw

aktes

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zazip

orieepnp