



MONTESSORI DE MANILA

Primary • Elementary • Secondary Levels

January 2018 Newsletter

This is Montessori De Manila's first e-newsletter!

Thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, and gifts we received this Christmas season!
We wish everyone a health-filled and bountiful 2018!

Christmas: The Most Wonderful Time of the Year in the Eyes of the Child

Teacher Mylene Talabis

Casa Class Directress

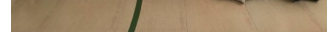
Christmas is the most exciting month of the year, especially for the Casa Department children. Classrooms and Christmas trees at the hallways were decorated by children's artworks – from garlands, to Christmas balls, angels with their faces, stars, and many more.

Casa pupils celebrated this season through a gift exchange activity, food sharing, and the much-awaited Christmas Carnival.

At the Christmas Carnival, our cute carolers enjoyed games such as Pin the Nose on Rudolph, Knock Down Cans, Ring Toss, Blow the Christmas Bauble, and the last but not the least... picking their special toy from the Christmas stocking.

This season will not be complete without reminding the children about the reason for this season, which is the birth of Jesus Christ, through a special story told by Teacher Monette Edralin. Children also had the chance to donate their gently-used clothing and toys for indigent recipients via The Philippine Red Cross - Las Piñas Chapter. This yearly donation activity makes our pupils aware of one's social responsibility even at an early age, to share their blessings to less fortunate persons.

It was wonderful to see the delight in the children's eyes as they received their prizes and gifts, but what was more amazing was the sparkle in their eyes when it was time for them to give their gifts to their friends and teachers, especially when they handed in their big bags and boxes of donations. Truly, Christmas is a season of hope, love, and sharing.



Montessori De Manila's Outreach Program: Little Brothers and Sisters

by Noelle Simounne H. Santos (Grade 10 - Escoda) and Anna Katrina R. Villaruz (Grade 10 - Diokno)

Outreach programs give the students the opportunity to get involved in community service, with activities that both the students and beneficiaries can enjoy. Not only do these add to the students' helpfulness to serve and volunteer but it also gives the students that eye-opening experience of the conditions of the world today.

Last December 15, 2017, Montessori De Manila held its annual community outreach program, led by both the Aerospace Cadets of the Philippines (ACP), and Elementary and Secondary Student Councils (ESC, JHS, and SHS SC).

To kick-start the program, the officials and children from *Couples for Christ* led us in a beautiful and engaging prayer. We then held a variety of games for them to show their competitive side and win prizes while enjoying themselves. Then came invigorating song and dance performances such as *Jingle Bell Rock* and *Huling El Bimbo* sung by the High School Band, *Maningning ang Pilipino*, sung by the Grade 10 students, and dance performances from selected students from Grade 10 and ESC Council. Not to be outdone, the beneficiaries responded with their own dance performance. After having enjoyed the meal, we then had personal time with our assigned child/ren to show them an activity of our choice. All students had time to interact with their little brothers/sisters on a personal level. Goody bags were given to all the children to make their Christmas a little more special. All the prizes, meals, and goody bags were funded by our generous student body's *Piso Mula sa Pusong* donations.

Giving wholeheartedly always makes one feel joyful. The celebration lasted for half a day but it was meaningful since the students shared a simple gift-giving day for the young children. Sharing and giving back is truly good for one's soul.

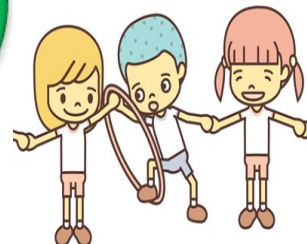


GRADE SCHOOL SPORTS FESTIVAL

by T. Melo Mendoza

Studies show that learning a sport builds resilience, patience, and perseverance. All these traits were exhibited by our 6 to 12-year-olds on January 5, 2018 as they participated in the annual Grade School Sports Festival. Congratulations to all for such great sportsmanship!

Games	Winners		Games	Winners
Tug of War	I-A Besa	II-A Hippocrates	Scrabble	II-A Hippocrates: Stephen Ossi
	I-B Edison	II-B Froebel		II-B Piaget: Kristoff Reñon
	I-C Jenner	II-C Gandhi Team A		II-C Gandhi Team B: Miggy Zaballero
Baton Relay	I-A Biyo	II-A Herodotus	Chess	II-A Hippocrates: Richard Han
	I-B Edison	II-B Froebel		II-A Herodotus: Nikki De Leon
	I-C Jenner	II-C Gandhi Team B		II-B Froebel: Josh Morillo
Hoop Pass	I-A Besa	II-A Hippocrates		II-B Piaget: Sam Cruzada
	I-B Edison	II-B Piaget		II-C Gandhi Team A: Miggy Zaballero
	I-C Fleming	II-C Gandhi Team A		Team B: Joey Bathan
Obstacle Relay	I-A Besa	II-A Herodotus	Touch Ball	II- A Hippocrates
	I-B Edison	II-B Froebel		II- B Froebel
	I-C Fleming	II-C Gandhi Team B		II- C Gandhi Team A
Shootout / Basketball	I-A Besa	II-A Hippocrates		
	I-B Marconi	II-B Froebel		
	I-C Jenner	II-C Gandhi Team B		



ENTREPRENEURIAL WEEK WINNERS

by T. Kath Cabacang

The High School Department held its annual Entrepreneurial Week last November 20-23 2017. Sharp entrepreneurial skills were demonstrated by everybody, particularly:

	Best Service Crew	Best Cashier	Best Accountant	Best Manager
Aquino	Aliah Alayon	Michael Malaran	Ysa Samonte	Marah Canda
Molina	Patrick Solisa	Gab Ramos	Riel Afable	Sistine Bautista
Abueva	Tommy Ward	Laurence Montaño	Kerry Choi	Joelle Estrada
Francisco	Ken Guillermo	Kimi Valdez	EJ Yap	Mandy Delos Santos
Antonio	Zy Umali	Jamea Fulleros	Joseph Ramos	MM Purganan
Romulo	Nathan Icasas	Benj Ramos	Jules Santico	Caela Escalambre
Diokno	Leo Oh	Matthew Villarica	Annika Villaruz	Jego Santico
Escoda	Kib Raymundo	Iñigo Belardo	Ella Santos	Alec Ricaforte
Most Promising Establishment	Alice in Food Wonderland (Molina)	Jack & the Food Shack (Abueva)	Store Wars (Antonio)	One Direction (Diokno)
Most Promising Entrepreneurial Team	Maui's Food Stall (Aquino)	Tinkerburp! (Francisco)	Eat (Romulo)	Meatallica (Escoda)



SECONDARY LEVEL SPORTS FESTIVAL

by T. Mikko Somoza

This year, both Junior High School and Senior High School Departments were divided into four different teams namely: Vicious Vipers, Gr8 9ghts, Tropicana Twisters, and Cadbury Royals. Of course, aside from the games, the Cheer Dance was highly anticipated. Below is the list of winners for each event.

Congratulations to all the winners!

Events	Winners	
	Female	Male
Chess	Bianca Hamor (Gr8 9ghts)	Rico Calderon (Gr8 9ghts)
Darts	Shasha Juan (Cadbury Royals)	Gelo Camacho (Cadbury Royals)
Table Tennis	Maggie Millares (Cadbury Royals)	George Oh (Tropicana Twisters)
Scrabble	Erica Beato (Tropicana Twisters)	Joseph Ramos (Gr8 – 9ghts)
Sprint	Nazh Guico (Gr8 9ghts)	Raigne Recto (Crimson Raptors)
Relay	Tropicana Twisters	
Dodge Ball	Cadbury Royals	
Tug of War	Gr8 9ghts	
Cheer Dance	Crimson Raptors	
Basketball	Vicious Vipers	
Volleyball	Cadbury Royals	
Basketball Mythical Team	Jego Santico	Raheel Bhyria
	Jovit Oraa	Migs Cruzada
	Polo Ambrosio	Marty Reyes
	Karl Bernabe	Franco Moreno
	RV Abanilla	Ken Guillermo
MVP Basketball Finals	Jego Santico & Jovit Oraa	
MVP of Basketball	Raheel Bhyria (Vicious Vipers)	
Volleyball Mythical Team	EJ De Castro	Maggie Millares
	Marty Reyes	Nazh Guico
	Polo Ambrosio	Raigne Recto
	Mia Coloma	
MVP of Volleyball Finals	Mia Coloma	
MVP of Volleyball	Marty Reyes	
Sportsmanship	EJ De Castro	Nazh Guico
Muse & Escort	Isabel Dela Dingco (Cadbury Royals) & Ross Cachola (Crimson Raptors)	



Dates to Remember

Jan. 11, Thursday	Senior High School: 3 rd Mastery Check-Up (Half Day)
Jan. 13, 20, 27, 3, 10 (5 Saturdays)	NAT 6 Review Classes
Jan. 18, Thursday	Primary: Shortened Periods (Afternoon Classes) Elementary / Junior & Senior High School: Half Day Parent-Teacher Dialogue Preparation
Jan. 19, Friday	Primary/Elementary/Junior High School: 2 nd Parent-Teacher Dialogue NO CLASSES FOR THESE 3 LEVELS
Jan. 25, Thursday	Senior High School: Half Day 3 rd Parent-Teacher Dialogue Preparation
Jan. 26, Friday	Senior High School: 3 rd Parent-Teacher Dialogue
Jan. 29, Monday	Grade 3 Catholic Students: Fitting of Communion Attire & Picture Taking Senior High School (Grade 12): Start of Work Immersion Grade 3 Catholic Students: 1 st Communion Practice (AVR)
Feb. 5 & 7 Monday & Wednesday	
Feb. 6, Tuesday	Grade 3 Catholic Students: 1 st Communion Practice (Church)
Feb. 8, Thursday	Grade 3 Catholic Students: 1 st Communicants' Regular Day (Sacrament of Reconciliation)
Feb. 9, Friday	Grade 3 Catholic Students: Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist
Feb. 15, Thursday	Primary: Sports Festival(9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon)
Feb. 16, Friday	Teachers' Day
	Chinese New Year (Special Non-Working Holiday)
Feb. 19, Monday	Grades 9 & 10: Junior & Senior Prom

Congratulations to
Alisa Bondoc
6th Place Level I – Artistic Gymnastics
2nd Sonny TY International Gymnastic Cup
October 15, 2017

