



KIVA KIDS



From the Desk of Ms. Susan

What an amazing week this past week was. Full of exciting news and developments. The City Council passed our Conditional Use Permit, and the new building continues to move forward with great speed.

Yesterday, some staff, students and parent volunteers manned a concession stand at the Opening Ceremonies for our local Little League baseball organization. We raised \$1021.14 in a little over 11 hours. Thank you to all who donated items, your time, or came and purchased from us. Every little helps get us a bit closer to the finish line for the New Building.

As always if you have questions or suggestions please feel free to call me on my cell at (970) 759-5869 or email me at susan.likes@kivacharter.org.

A Note from the PTO

The PTO would like to extend a **HUGE** thank you to all the families that volunteered for the SPRING CLEAN UP DAY. The numbers: Lawn/Leaf bags filled = 30; The number of volunteers = 20+; Human hours



Kiva's Week at a Glance

5 day week for students

Monday, April 30th

Tuesday, May 1st - 7:30 to 7:45am - Kiva Cafe

Wednesday, May 2nd -
Early Release 1:15pm

Thursday, May 3rd - 7:30 - 7:45am - Kiva Cafe
Middle School Trip to ABQ

Friday - May 4th - 7:30 - 7:45am - Kiva Cafe
Middle School Trip to ABQ

Saturday - May 5th - PTO Yard Sale at the Empire Campus

A Note from Your School Board

put in = 50+; The time and money the schools do not have to spend on clean up = **PRICELESS!!** We sincerely appreciate all the time and energy dedicated to keeping our school looking sharp.

Our next PTO event is our Cinco De Mayo SPRING YARD SALE on May 5th. We are still in need of some volunteers to work the day of the sale, to bake goodies, and to donate gently used items. Please contact KivaPTO@gmail.com to let us know how you can help. We need everyone's participation to make this huge event a success!

PTO Spring Yard Sale

Have you ever felt like the "Kiva Outsider"? You know... the feeling that everyone else is hanging out on the weekends and you were the only one not invited?? Fortunately, that feeling is simple to remedy (really!) The solution? Come spend a few hours getting to know your Kiva family by volunteering at the Kiva Yard sale this weekend. 8 years ago when my son Carter started at Kiva, I felt like I was the "odd man out" I thought everyone else already knew each other and that I was an outsider. Not too long after, I volunteered to help with the Kiva Yard sale. I spent a day in the sunshine getting to know other Kiva parents. The result? I made friends for life (seriously!) It has been my experience that unity and inclusion are both spelled T-I-M-E. I hope you'll make plans to join us this weekend; you'll be glad you did! To sign up, copy and paste this link in to your browser:



<https://www.justserve.org/projects/fb9ea05f-a12d-49cc-8591-f80ef3372752> or contact the Kiva PTO. See you there! -Erin Tanner

A Peek Forward

- May 5th - PTO Yard Sale - Empire Campus
- May 7th - Finance Committee Meeting - 5:30pm - Beech Campus
- May 8th - CKMS Talent Show - 6:00pm - MCHS Auditorium
- May 17th - Kindergarten Bridge Night - 5:15pm - Empire Campus
- May 18th - 4th and 5th Grade all District Track Meet - CMS
- May 19 - Bake Sale - City Market
- May 20th - Bake Sale - City Market
- May 24th - 3rd Grade Trip to Power House in Durango



FINALLY - Children's Kiva Montessori School is one step closer to moving into our new home at 601 N Mildred! In 2014 we opened our doors to 72 students. We currently have 110 students and are at full capacity at our current location with 22 students ready to enroll. With this new school location we will have the ability to serve 225 students at full capacity.



Children's Kiva Montessori School, **a free, public school of choice**, provides a vibrant and engaging learning environment based on the teachings of Dr. Maria Montessori that supports all students' academic excellence and ability to become empowered, creative, lifelong learners responsible for themselves, their community, and their environment. Our school uses authentic Montessori Methods, Community-Based educational approaches, and integrated academics (STEAM) to support student academic success, responsibility, and independence.

Now we need your help! The USDA is offering a loan guarantee if our school can show a fundraising balance of \$160,000. Today we have raised \$113,000 leaving a \$47,000 gap. You can make a difference by donating today! Please contact our Head of School, Susan Likes, with any questions: susan.likes@kivacharter.org, or at (970) 759-5869.

Donate to:
Children's Kiva Montessori School
PO Box 1417
Cortez, CO 81321
970.564.9377
Or
www.kivacharter.org and click on the "Donate" tab



No Hot Lunches after May 22nd

June 1st - 12noon Dismissal - Last Day of School

There will be no hot lunches after May 22nd. This is when the Manaugh kitchen closes for the Summer. Please be sure to send your student will a packed lunch from home after that date.

