



# HEARTWOOD

## MONTESSORI SCHOOL

### Dates to Remember

#### Wednesday, April 5th:

Butter Braids Orders Arrive

#### Monday, April 10th through Friday, April 14th:

Spring Break  
NO SCHOOL

#### Tuesday, April 18th:

Teacher Luncheon Hosted by  
the Toddler House and K / El

#### Sunday, April 23rd:

Family Game Day, 2PM - 5PM  
[RSVP Here](#)

#### Tuesday, April 25th:

PAG Meeting: Watch Your  
Language  
[RSVP Here](#)

#### Monday, May 1st: Save the Date!

Salsa Dancing Class and  
Potluck, 6:45PM - 8PM  
[RSVP Here](#)

#### Friday, May 26th: Save the Date!

Pinot's Palette Parent's Night  
[RSVP Here](#)



### Spring is Here!

If the amount of pollen covering everything is any indication, Spring has officially arrived! Everyone here at Heartwood is looking forward to some beautiful weather during lunch and recess. In art Ms. Courtney has also taken note of the change of seasons and created some beautiful flowers with her students from Ms. Ryan and Ms. Karen's class. Spring is a beautiful time in North Carolina and we are grateful to be able to enjoy it!

### Butter Braids Success

Our Butter Braids Fundraiser, organized by Hoda Morton, was a huge success. We sold 158 Butter Braids and raised \$909! Heartwood would like to extend a huge thank you to Hoda and to everyone who placed or packed orders helping to make this a success.

We will be distributing the orders on Wednesday, April 5th during afternoon carpool. The pastries need to be put into the freezer within 2 hours of your receiving them.

## Things to Remember:

### Lost and Found

As the weather warms up we are finding ourselves thick with lost jackets. Please check our lost and found baskets in the lobby if you are missing something. We have also accumulated a lot of water bottles.

### Heartwood Website

Just a reminder that our website has a calendar full of important Heartwood dates. You can find both the monthly calendar and the yearly calendar under the "Upcoming Events" tab.

### Tie-Dye Fundraiser

Please see the attached form about Ms. Courtney's Tie-Dye Fundraising efforts!



## PAG: Watch Your Language!

Join us on April 25th at 6:30 for our next Parent Awareness Group meeting. You do not want to miss it! Not sure what to expect? Check out the talk description below, written by our wonderful speaker herself, Jean Wittig.

"Come prepared to experience some mental relaxation, while learning communication skills and effective methods to handle challenging situations in day-to-day life with kids. If you want to make some small changes that can lead to BIG results, this talk is for you. Two reminders: 1) small does not equal insignificant and 2) change itself can lead to some stress. We have tools for that too!!"

"We are all in the same boat! My intention is to support parents and grandparents in choosing kind, firm, and effective responses to daily parenting challenges, just as I have been supported by the fine people and programs that have come my way over the years... most recently Positive Discipline. The key to Positive Discipline is not punishment and not permissiveness, but mutual respect focusing on solutions and developing children's skills and perceptions needed to become capable, responsible people."

To RSVP for this event and to request childcare (available for children ages 3 and up) please follow this link. See you there!

## Family Game Day

Join us for Family Game Day on April 23rd from 2-5pm. We will be gathering at Heartwood.

This is a wonderful opportunity to play games with your child or for them to have the chance to play board games with their peers. All ages are welcome for our Family Game Days.

Participation is \$10/family. All proceeds will go towards the playground fund which helps to replace balls and other equipment.

You can RSVP for this event here. (Please bring cash.)



## Heartwood Takes on Jellybeans

Our Jellybeans Family Skate Day was a success! We had 49 people from Heartwood show up and skate, and a few more come just to watch. The event raised \$50 for the school's accreditation and we had a great time doing it! We had kids present from the toddler house all the way up to the high school.

Next year Heartwood will have one social event a month for the whole family. We intend to try and build an even stronger school community and give more chances for families to connect outside of dropping off and picking up kids. Keep a look out for those dates and more information so you don't miss out! Great job on our first family fun day!

## Heartwood Families Cookbook

The wonderful Sherri Fetzer has graciously offered to continue putting together a Heartwood Cookbook, but we need your help!

Please submit your favorite recipes with or without a picture. Pictures can be of your children making the dish, holding the finished dish, or of the dish only. Let us know if your dish is vegan, vegetarian, gluten-free, dairy-free, or nut-free, so we can denote this for others.

Please email recipes and picture to [heartwood.cookbook@gmail.com](mailto:heartwood.cookbook@gmail.com).

## Pinot's Pallet - Calling All Ladies!

Grab your best friend, next-door neighbor, exercise friends, mommy group, or anyone who just needs a night out! Pinot Palette in Apex is sponsoring Heartwood Montessori on **Friday, May 26th from 7-9.**

Come for 2 hours and paint alongside all your closest friends. The more people we get registered, the more money that will be donated back to Heartwood. If we can get more than 55 people signed up, Heartwood will receive \$18 for every painter!

Please pass along this sign up to anyone who you think might be interested in a night out, filled with painting and fun! See you all there!

[Please RSVP for the event here.](#)



## Salsa Dancing Class and Potluck

Get ready for Cinco de Mayo with a Salsa Dancing class at Arthur Murray on May 1st at 6:45pm. Cost is \$15 per person.

Cary Arthur Murray is located right down the road from Heartwood and offers group and private ballroom dancing lessons for all skill levels.

Bring a Mexican themed dish or snack to share and enjoy the evening with other Heartwood parents! For extra fun, join us at Totopos Street Food and Tequila across the street afterwards!

[RSVP here.](#)

### Questions?

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## Support Ms. Courtney and Heartwood's Art Program

It is a tradition at Heartwood to tie dye t-shirts at the end of each school year. Each class has a color theme and wears their shirts on the last day of school as a fun way to show their unity with their classmates and with Heartwood

This year we are excited to offer an additional service. Ms. Courtney will tie-dye additional items such as adult t-shirts, pillow cases, bandanas, onesies, or anything else, for an additional \$5 per item donation.

Ms. Courtney wants to use the proceeds to hire an electrician. There is a new kiln already at Heartwood, not being used. It needs to be set up so they can fire clay projects safely. Additionally she would like to buy quality materials, including more expensive materials such as clay.



Please send additional items to be tie dyed in a bag (old grocery bag works great) along with the bottom part of this form. Remember to write your name somewhere on your items to be tie dyed, so they can be returned to you.

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of items for Ms. Courtney to tie dye: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Each class has different color themes. Whose class would you like your extras to match? Please list teacher names here: \_\_\_\_\_



If you have more specific directions about your tie dye items please contact Courtney:  
[courtney@heartwoodmontessori.com](mailto:courtney@heartwoodmontessori.com)

\*If you do not have anything you need tie dyed but want to donate to the Art Program or you have tie dye items but would like to add an additional donation, please list the amount you would like to donate here: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount donated to Heartwood's Art Program: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pay by check to: Heartwood Montessori School or circle **Charge my Account**

Thank you all so much for supporting the Art Program here at Heartwood!