



Parent Newsletter

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Letter from the President

Dear Parent

I am sharing with you the message below as a reminder of how fortunate we are in the opportunity to be parents. The opening line of this may baffle some of you as you may understand that in the earlier phases of our schools we do not give out medals and prizes. We acknowledge each child's endeavours and progress on individual merits alone and share in their delights of their own self-discovery, self-reflection and personal journey. The whole message is wonderful and I am sure we could continue to add many more insights. I am grateful to 'author unknown' for acknowledging the children we recognise as we read the message below.

May you laugh more,
love more,
share more
during the holiday season!

Yours in Montessori

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I SEE YOU

It's a time of badges, certificates, medals, trophies, recognition, awards, prizes and 'seeing' of high achievement. I love seeing the kids that shine at this time of year - a big high heartfelt round of applause to you. You so deserve it for the effort you have put in. But this message is for the kids that didn't get called up for any of the above...

I SEE YOU.

To the child that conquered their fear of heights, or sleeping in the dark, or riding without training wheels or sleeping out for the night for the first time this year,

I SEE YOU

To the child that managed to resolve more conflict than they started this year, to the child that learnt to say the impossible; "I'm sorry", and to the child that walked away from the fighting instead of getting involved,

I SEE YOU

To the child for whom school is a huge struggle, you get up every day and you go,

I SEE YOU

To the child that battled all year with the maths, or reading, or concentration, or speaking out in class, or learning their words, but persevered anyway,

I SEE YOU

To the child that found the kindness in their heart reach out in any way to another person or to an animal in need or in pain,

I SEE YOU

To the child that learnt to give and to share for the first time this year and even found joy in these,

I SEE YOU

To the child that battles to make friends and to be social, you made new friends this year and for that,

I SEE YOU

To the child who wanted so much to please, but was just out of sight of an adult who perhaps was too busy or too distracted,

I SEE YOU

To the child who lost a friend or a loved one this year, but carried on everyday bravely even though their heart ached,

I SEE YOU

To the brave parents that try every day to do the best for their kids,

I SEE YOU.

May you and your children revel in small but significant victories that you have both experienced this year, as I will with my beautiful children. For every year there is progress and growth, we don't need a podium or handshake or a hall of applause to be seen.

I SEE YOU

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