



Our Lady of Grace Montessori School 29 Shelter Rock Road Manhasset, NY 11030

2018 Christmas Show Schedule

Tuesday, December 18th – North Wing AM Session – 8:30 AM at the Convent Tuesday, December 18th – East Wing AM Session – 10:30 AM at the Convent

Wednesday, December 19th – North Wing PM Session – 8:30 AM at the Convent Wednesday, December 19th – East Wing PM Session – 10:30 AM at the Convent

Shows will begin promptly at their designated time. Please have the children at the convent 10 minutes before their performance. There will be no regularly scheduled classes on Tuesday or Wednesday. Your child will arrive with you and leave with you. Elementary siblings should be dropped off at school for their scheduled school day.

All first and second year students should be dressed nicely for their show. The Kindergarten children should follow the guide below.

Kindergarten Girls – All kindergarten girls will be Angels. Girls should wear a white turtleneck and light colored pants. Any color shoes are acceptable. No sneakers please.

Kindergarten Boys - All kindergarten boys will be shepherds. The boys should wear a brown or black turtleneck and any dark colored pants. Any color shoes are acceptable. No sneakers please.

We will put your child's costume on at the convent before the performance. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Please note: The boys playing Joseph may wear the same clothing as outlined for the Shepherds. The girls playing Mary may wear the clothing outlined for the Angels. The teachers will inform you ahead of time if your child is playing either one of these parts.

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November 26, 2018

Dear Parents,

The elementary Christmas shows will soon be here! As you know, the children are practicing their parts and are getting more excited by the day. This year we will be doing things a little bit differently. All of the children will be performing in both shows. The shows will take place on December 12th at the Castle. There will be a show at 9:45 a.m. for the downstairs parents to attend and a show at 1:15 for the upstairs parents to attend. We will provide pizza for the children in between the shows. If you are unable to come at your designated time please let me know well in advance as we need to make sure we have enough seating for everyone. Children should arrive at the Castle at their usual time and will be dismissed at the conclusion of the typical school day.

Thank you and we look forward to sharing this special day with you!

Sincerely,

Sister Kelly





Dear Parents,

Christmas is such a special time of year, especially in the eyes of the children. It is a time to be grateful to those that have touched our lives. The IHM League, on behalf of the children at Our Lady of Grace, traditionally take up a collection to give thanks to our extraordinary teachers. Each child interacts with no less than three teachers on a daily basis. It is all part of what makes this school so special. Think of the joy that these incredible women bring to your child. For those of you who are new to the school, you will be amazed at how special the Christmas show is that the children perform at the castle. It would be greatly appreciated if you send in a check or cash for \$25.00 per child, or whatever you are able or feel is appropriate to give.

Please send your gift and form below to school in an envelope marked IHM League and kindly make all checks payable to the IHM League. We would appreciate receiving the envelope no later than Thursday, December 13th so that the gifts can be prepared for each teacher. The gifts will be presented to all the teachers during the children's AM/PM Christmas shows.

Thank you so much for your amazing support and generosity. May you have a very blessed Christmas and happy and healthy New Year!

Sincerely,		
Christina Potter & Dana Chrisomalis IHM League Co-Presidents		
Christmas Collection for Teachers 2018		
Child(ren)'s Names		
Amount:		

Kindly make checks payable to the IHM League. Thank you!

Keep your kids safe. Get their flu vaccine every year.

The Flu: A Guide for Parents

Is the flu more serious for kids?	Infants and young children are at greater risk for getting seriously ill from the flu. That's why the New York State Department of Health recommends that all children 6 months and older get the flu vaccine.
Flu vaccine may save your child's life.	Most people with the flu are sick for about a week, and then they feel better. But, some people, especially young children, pregnant women, older people, and people with chronic health problems can get very sick. Some can even die. An annual vaccine is the best way to protect your child from the flu. The vaccine is recommended for everyone 6 months and older every year.
What is the flu?	The flu, or influenza, is an infection of the nose, throat, and lungs. The flu can spread from person to person.
Who needs the flu vaccine?	 Flu vaccine can be given to children 6 months and older. Children younger than 9 years old who get a vaccine for the first time need two doses.
How else can I protect my child?	 Get the flu vaccine yourself. Encourage your child's close contacts to get the flu vaccine, too. This is very important if your child is younger than 5, or if he or she has a chronic health problem such as asthma (breathing disease) or diabetes (high blood sugar levels). Because children under 6 months can't be vaccinated, they rely on those around them to get an annual flu vaccine. Wash your hands often and cover your coughs and sneezes. It's best to use a tissue and quickly throw it away. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands. This will prevent the spread of germs. Tell your children to: Stay away from people who are sick; Clean their hands often; Keep their hands away from their face; and Cover coughs and sneezes to protect others.
What are signs of the flu?	The flu comes on suddenly. Most people with the flu feel very tired and have a high fever, headache, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, and sore muscles. Some people, especially children, may also have stomach problems and diarrhea. The cough can last two or more weeks.

How does the flu spread?	People who have the flu usually cough, sneeze, and have a runny nose. The droplets in a cough, sneeze or runny nose contain the flu virus. Other people can get the flu by breathing in these droplets or by getting them in their nose or mouth.
How long can a sick person spread the flu to others?	Most healthy adults may be able to spread the flu from one day before getting sick to up to 5 days after getting sick. This can be longer in children and in people who don't fight disease as well (people with weaker immune systems).
What should I use to clean hands?	Wash your children's hands with soap and water. Wash them for as long as it takes to sing the "Happy Birthday" song twice. If soap and water are not handy, use a hand sanitizer. It should be rubbed into hands until the hands are dry.
What can I do if my child gets sick?	 Make sure your child gets plenty of rest and drinks lots of fluids. Talk with your child's health care provider before giving your child over-the-counter medicine. Never give your child or teen aspirin, or medicine that has aspirin in it. It can cause serious problems. Call your child's health care provider if your child develops flu symptoms and is younger than 5 or has a chronic medical condition like asthma, diabetes, or heart or lung disease. If you are worried about your child's illness, call your health care provider.
Can my child go to school or day care with the flu?	No. If your child has the flu, he or she should stay home to rest. This helps avoid giving the flu to other children.
When can my child go back to school or day care after having the flu?	Children with the flu should be isolated in the home, away from other people. They should also stay home until they have no fever without the use of fever-control medicines and they feel well for 24 hours. Remind your child to protect others by covering his or her mouth when coughing or sneezing. You may want to send your child to school with some tissues, and a hand sanitizer, if allowed by the school.

For more information about the flu, visit health.ny.gov/flu

Or, www.cdc.gov/flu Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

