

## **Hello Waco Montessori Family!**

Welcome to our new families and staff, and welcome back to our returning families and staff! The WMS PTO is excited about the upcoming school year! We have a lot of fun and dynamic activities and opportunities ahead of us.

Our mission is to promote and support the school and students through active involvement with the parents, teachers and staff of WMS. So this year we plan to CELEBRATE MONTESSORI! We want to continue to build and strengthen our WMS community through socials, book clubs, volunteering at WMS events, etc. We plan to support our teachers through faculty events, secret pals, volunteering and sponsorship of teachers to attend the 2012 AMS conference.

We kick off the year with our annual WMS Carnival, August 20 from 11:00-2:00. If last year is any indication, the afternoon will be filled with fun, family games and activities. We hope you can all join us to start the year off right.

For our New Families, we invite you to our New Family Meet & Greet at 10:30 on August 20. You will get a chance to meet fellow new families, your mentors as well as WMS staff. We hope you'll join us before the Carnival for this fun event.

Our largest fundraiser of the year is our traditional wrapping paper and magazine sale. This year we have chosen Great American Opportunities as our partner, and they have a wide array of products and magazines available. If you want a sneak peek, or want to get a jump on the sale, feel free to go to [www.gaschoolstore.com](http://www.gaschoolstore.com) and register your child. Our school number is 2245181. We have great prizes for the top sellers, as well as for each sales level. Please look for more information with the sales brochures you will receive with your back-to-school packet.

On behalf of the PTO Board, welcome back and we look forward to meeting all of you! We hope you will join us on August 24 at 8:30 for our first PTO meeting of the year!

Truly,  
Amber Morgan  
PTO President