

# The Miquon School

## Miquon Matters, 2.4.19



*We would like to thank all the families who helped their children dress appropriately during the frigid weather last week. As the weather fluctuates, please help your children select (and wear!) temperature-appropriate clothing throughout the school year!*

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### **Your Action Items**

1. Note and consider coming to school to hear from a grief/loss counselor on campus this Thurs, Feb 7 from 8:00 - 9:00 am in the Library.
2. To help us plan for materials and sessions, we need an accurate head count for Thursday evening's Math Night. Please RSVP to [tiam@miquon.org](mailto:tiam@miquon.org).

## Event Details

3. Plan to submit your re-enrollment contract and deposit no later than Thurs, Feb 14 via the Parent Portal.

## Parent Portal

4. This is your chance to share your voice and thoughts about shaping Miquon's future! RSVP to attend one of our upcoming Parent Community Forums, held the week of Feb 11, as a part of our overall Strategic Planning process.

## Forums



*Sweet older buddies from Louis and Jeri's fifth and sixth grade groups shared books and reading time with their younger pals in Marea and Sara's group last Friday.*

## Grief/Loss Counselor on Campus

As we all continue to grieve the loss of Kindergarten teacher Sherry Moman, we have invited a counselor from Peter's Place to facilitate a conversation with parents on Thurs, Feb 7, from 8:00 - 9:00 am in the Library.

Peter's Place recently visited with staff and talked with us about how to help

children with their grief, as well as help ourselves with our own. Following this, we wish to extend this resource more directly to families. Whether you would like to discuss your own feelings of loss, or whether you are looking for advice about how to talk to your child about illness and death, we hope you can join us.

RSVP to Charlotte Boulay by emailing [charlotteb@miquon.org](mailto:charlotteb@miquon.org).

## Celebrating the Life of Sherry Moman

Please save the date of April 7, 2019 for a Celebration of Life in memory of our longtime Kindergarten Teacher Sherry Moman. Details forthcoming.



## Spanish Classes Starting Up!

The spring sessions of After School Spanish are forming now! We are excited to offer two sections this spring.

- Kindergarten - Second Grade led by Marea Palmer-Loh, 3:00 - 4:00 pm, Wednesdays, Feb 27 - May 15
- Third - Sixth Grade led by Wendy Leitner-Sieber, 3:00 - 4:00 pm, Wednesdays, Feb 27 - May 15

Classes will focus on conversational Spanish, with songs, snack, art, stories, indoor and outdoor games. Note, classes will not be held during Spring Break.

### Contact

Contact Wendy Leitner-Sieber with questions by emailing [wendyls@miquon.org](mailto:wendyls@miquon.org).

### Register

The cost is \$100. Please use the form below to register by Fri, Feb 15.

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## Gamewright Game Night on Feb 24

Do you like playing games? Join us for an afternoon of games on Sun, Feb 24 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm in the Library! Whether you are a beginner or an expert, expect to have a great time and learn some new card and board games!

Gamewright, the makers of popular family games, will provide games for us to play and try out. If you decide you like any of their games, they will be available for sale after the event with some of the proceeds going to the Miquon Annual Giving Campaign.

That said, no purchases are expected--just come and play games and have fun! We love this event because playing games is such a great way to practice important math concepts and skills. For more, check out [information from TERC Investigations](#), the backbone of our mathematics curriculum for Grades 1-5.

RSVP to Marea Palmer-Loh by emailing [mareapl@miquon.org](mailto:mareapl@miquon.org).



## Calendar

**Thurs, Feb 7, 6:30 pm**

Math Night for all families | [More](#) | [RSVP](#)

**Thurs, Feb 13, 6:30-8:00 pm**

Strategic Planning Parent Community Forum | [More](#) | [RSVP](#)

**Fri, Feb 15, 8:30 - 10:00 am**

Strategic Planning Parent Community Forum | [More](#) | [RSVP](#)

**Thurs, Feb 14**

Re-enrollment Contracts/deposits due | [More](#)

**Fri, Feb 15**

School Closed for Staff In-Service, Vacation Care Open | [Register](#)

**Mon, Feb 18**

School Closed, Vacation Care Closed

**Tues, Feb 19**

School Closed, Vacation Care Open | [Register](#)

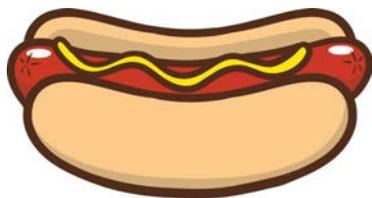
**Weds, Feb 20, 7:00 pm**

Board Meeting in Louis and Jeri's Room

**Sun, Feb 24, 2-4:00 pm**

Gamewright Games in the Library | [RSVP](#)

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This week features hot dogs and nuggets.

Download your child's order form today!

[Order Form](#)

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## Community Bulletin Board

### Music Performance

**Sun, Feb 10, 3:00 - 4:30 pm, German Society of Pennsylvania**

Attend this performance of Miquon parent, Elissa Lee Koljonen, and colleague Natalie Zhu, both who are both linked to the Curtis Institute of Music. Elissa is a violinist who received international acclaim when she became the first recipient of the prestigious Henryk Szeryng Foundation Award. Natalie began her piano studies at age six in her native China. At 11 she emigrated to the USA, and by 15 she was a student at Curtis, where she received the Rachmaninoff Award.

[Tickets](#)

## **Parenting Children with ADHD: The Three Essential Strategies all Families Should Know**

**Thurs, Mar 14, 7:00 pm, Center School**

Several decades of research have provided extensive support for interventions that lead to improvements in academic performance and self-regulation for children and teens with ADHD. Making these interventions work for families starts with parents having a solid understanding about the nature and treatment of ADHD across the lifespan.

Presenter Dr. Micahel Cassano will explain these interventions in detail and provide tips for how to make treatment work for you and your family. Dr. Cassano is a licensed clinical psychologist and owner of Dragonfly Psychological Associates. His specialty is working with families of children, teens, and young adults with ADHD and anxiety.

This event will be held at Center School, 2450 Hamilton Avenue, Abington, PA 19001.

[Register in Advance](#)

### **Casting Call**

Call for actors to submit headshot and resume to [Automatic Arts](#) for PURE MEDEA, an adaptation of Medea by Euripides conceived and directed by Miquon Current Parent Josh McIlvain.

PURE MEDEA takes place during a rehearsal of Medea by a fictitious theater company. We are looking for actors who can be comfortable with the Medea language, but do not need to be classically trained, nor experienced in "classical" theater. Experience in a range of styles, including comedy, is a plus!

Exact dates to be determined but 7-10 performances over 2 weekends will be between May 1–18. Rehearsals will begin 5 weeks prior to opening, with a few early workshop/rehearsals in the coming months. We make accommodations as necessary – however, this show must be your priority during the main rehearsal/show time.

[Contact Josh for more info](#)

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