

The Montessori Mystery Unveiled

Annual Report: Fiscal 2016

Dear Fellow Montessorians:

Fiscal 2016 has been a prolific year for The Montessori Mystery Unveiled that has seen the release of four new publications for Montessori guides and families.

Montessori Primary Terminology, the first book released in Fiscal 2016, is a comprehensive glossary of Montessori vocabulary and manipulatives in a Primary prepared environment that helps parents understand their children's activities in the classroom as well as each exercise's developmental purposes. Select vocabulary pertaining to the Montessori Elementary curriculum is also defined to give parents an overview of what to expect when their child is ready to transition out of the Primary classroom. A companion publication to *Montessori for You and Your Child*, *Montessori Primary Terminology* makes an excellent addition to any Montessori school library.

Following *Montessori Primary Terminology*, The Montessori Mystery Unveiled released a series of three interactive language books: *The Montessori Sound Game: A Journal*, *The Montessori Question Game: A Journal*, and *Montessori Facilitated Conversations: A Journal*. These three parallel titles are designed to assist Montessori Primary guides' record keeping of spoken language activities presented daily in the Casa. Each book contains helpful gameplay tips as well as blank charts to record student progress during a 180 day school year.

The Montessori Library Campaign, an ongoing project to encourage public librarians to purchase modern Montessori parent education titles for their collections, is making some progress. 19 out of 24 titles by The Montessori Mystery Unveiled are now available for checkout in more than a dozen public library systems throughout the United States of America. If you would like to see titles by The Montessori Mystery Unveiled at a library near you, please inform your librarian of your community's needs. In the meantime, ask your librarian if you can borrow titles from other libraries free of charge via "Interlibrary Loan."

Goals for Fiscal 2017 include publishing additional parent education titles and expanding our public library presence to increase mainstream awareness and understanding of Montessori's peaceful, child-centered educational pedagogy in order to create a more harmonious world for all.

Have a Happy New Year!

Kindest regards,

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