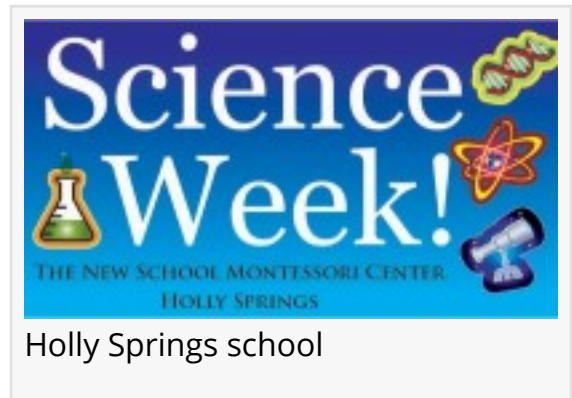


# Science Week At The New School Montessori Center in Holly Springs, NC

*Holly Springs school hosts a week-long series of events as an official partner of the 2015 North Carolina Science Festival*

HOLLY SPRINGS, NC, USA, March 5, 2015  
/EINPresswire.com/ -- The [New School Montessori Center](#) will present [Science Week](#) from Monday, April 20th to Saturday, April 25, at the school's Holly Springs campus and other locations. Science Week is an official event of the 2015 [North Carolina Science Festival](#).



School Director Julie Schroer said, "We are delighted that our inaugural Science Week has been chosen as an official event of the 2015 North Carolina Science Festival. The Festival is consistent with our own philosophy, built on Maria Montessori's vision that science is as much about imagination, beauty and poetry as it is about experiments and data. It is in that spirit that we celebrate our area's science and scientists in partnership with the North Carolina Science Festival."

Science Week includes private events for school students and parents as well as other events open to the public. "We expect our variety of events and convenient location will appeal to a wide audience and attract strong attendance from Holly Springs and surrounding areas," said Ms. Schroer. Highlights of Science Week include:

## Public events

- Students' Science Exhibition: Student posters of selected science projects (Saturday April 25, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.)
- Science Cafe: Informal setting for a Q and A session with a scientist. Guest speaker is renowned scientist, inventor and engineer, Chuck Pell. (Wednesday April 22, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Tir na nOg, Raleigh)
- Food for Thought — Lunch with a scientist: Participants discuss research and careers and with a working scientist. Donations are requested to cover the cost of food. (Date TBD)
- Health Fair: Health partner Tricity Family Medicine & Urgent Care Clinic will offer free checkups including blood pressure screening, a health questionnaire, and diet and exercise recommendations. (Date TBD)

### School-only events

- Dissect Tech: Supervised by a qualified engineer, students take apart gizmos, gadgets and widgets to figure out what makes them tick. (Monday April 20, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.)
- Above and Beyond — Stargazing: Outdoor stargazing activity (weather permitting) with members of the Raleigh Astronomy Club. (April 21, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the New School Montessori Center)
- Starlab: NC Museum of Life and Science will bring their portable planetarium for students to learn about stars, constellations and planets.

For more information about Science Week visit the school website or contact Science Week coordinator Roger Harris via email or telephone.

As an official 2015 North Carolina Science Festival event, Science Week is among hundreds of community-based events that are showcasing STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) activities for the citizens of North Carolina. "The North Carolina Science Festival is about communities coming together to celebrate the wonders of science," said Jonathan Frederick, Festival director. "Thanks to the talents of our event hosts across the state, there's something for everyone."

### About The New School Montessori Center

Founded 1984, The New School Montessori Center is an independent, accredited Montessori school serving infants through eighth grade located in Holly Springs, North Carolina. The school is ideally situated for families living in the Holly Springs, Fuquay-Varina, Apex, and southern Raleigh communities. The New School is a full member of the American Montessori Society. Our school offers a personalized learning approach that puts each individual child at the heart of everything we do. Programs feature hands-on materials, developmentally appropriate and engaging environments, and project-based and interdisciplinary curricula taught by certified Montessori teachers and specialty staff.

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### About the North Carolina Science Festival

Founded in 2010, the North Carolina Science Festival is the first statewide science festival in the United States. During a two-week celebration each spring, the Festival brings hundreds of events (hosted by schools, colleges, libraries, museums, parks, businesses and other community organizations) together under one banner to recognize the economic, educational and cultural impact of science in North Carolina. The Festival is presented by Biogen Idec Foundation and produced by Morehead Planetarium and Science Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. For more information, visit [www.ncsciencefestival.org](http://www.ncsciencefestival.org).

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