

## Market Day Information for All Levels

**Upper el and middle school students** integrate this seasonal experience into their Math and Cultural lessons. They manage all aspects of this event: Marketing, merchandising, selling, money management, profit and loss, taxes, etc...

**Plll students and Kindergarten students:** Are invited to shop at the all of the markets. They are too young to sell. Plll/Kindergarten children can experience a bit of confusion if they have not had experience with money. They may not wait for their change, be charged too much, want to keep their money and an item, lose their money and/or give it to a friend. We try our best to monitor all transactions but things move fast at the market....

**Lower el students** are invited to shop only-**not sell**-during autumn, winter, spring market days. They can shop and sell during Summer Market Day because Summer Market Day is a simpler market and perfect for lower el students to sell at. Everything is \$1.00 and there are no taxes or complexed math studies.

**Parents: children participating:** If you would like your child to buy at the market, please send a few dollars with your child in a labeled container (envelope, wallet, etc.) Most items run around \$1 or \$2.

We do not restrict what might be sold although we strongly encourage the children to make crafts, bake etc. Children may find candy and or the dreaded small plastic items. We ask children to not eat the candy they buy at school so you may find this in their bag.

Take this time to share your family values about such things with your child. Understand your child, without your presence and reminders, may forget (or choose to) buy the thing that you don't want them to buy...

**Parents: children not participating:** Some of our parents, understandably, may not want their young child to participate. Although we see this as a valuable learning experience, we totally understand. Plll teachers check (on the low down) to see who has brought money into school. If a child has not brought money, they will not participate in the market. We have lots to keep children busy...they may not even be aware..

	Autumn Market Day	Winter Market Day	Spring Market Day	Summer Market Day (everything is \$1 and no taxes)
Younger than 5	Do not participate: Too young...			
Plll (5 years old)	Buy only			
Kindergarten:5 years old before Sept.30	Buy only			
Lower el	Buy only		Buy <b>and</b> sell! (summer market only)	
Upper el	Buy and sell			
Middle school	Buy and sell			