

Communications

Welcome To Our First Year!



We started off our first year slow, with one student and we are absolutely positive that this is just the beginning of a wonderful year ahead with many more students to join.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **October 27**
PD Day - School
Closed
*First Aid and CPR
Course*

MONTESSORI LEARNING

During our first month we introduced Montessori materials from the Exercises of Practical Life area; Pouring, Transferring, Sorting, Pasting, how to Roll and unroll a mat. All these activities promote

independence, concentration, eye-hand coordination, as well as good decision making and good work habits.

MONTESSORI LEARNING (Continued)

Our main focus during the first few months is helping children to become independent in doing everything. In order to foster this much needed independence in the early years, we learned and practiced dressing and undressing clothes (this is an important preparation for toilet learning), taking off and putting on shoes, opening the lunch bag and taking the lunch box out as well as cleaning after meals. It is utmost important for young children to learn to be independent in their life. This not only helps us as adults when a child can perform their day to day activities all by themselves, but also boosts children's self esteem immensely.

In addition to the above Practical Life activities we introduced basic **Sensorial** materials such as, Cylinder Blocks, Touch Boards, Colour Tablets and Pink Tower.

In order to advance language development, we read quality books, played various language games, sang songs and learned exact names of various objects in the environment. It is very important for children to hear real names of things as this will help them to make connections with abstract things in the real world.

Montessori environment focuses on a child's overall development. Therefore, in addition to the above we also focused on physical development; balance, spatial awareness and moving to music (graceful movement).

"A child who has become master of his acts through long and repeated exercises, and who has been encouraged by the pleasant and interesting activities in which he has been engaged, is a child filled with health and joy and remarkable for his calmness and discipline."

Dr. Maria Montessori
