

Dear Families,

Welcome to the exciting school year at Miracle Montessori School! As the Director, it is my pleasure to extend a warm welcome to all families. We are thrilled to have you as part of our community, where we foster a nurturing and stimulating environment for our young learners.

At Miracle Montessori School, we believe in the Montessori philosophy of education, which emphasizes independence, respect, and a love of learning. Our dedicated teachers are committed to guiding each child on their unique educational journey, encouraging curiosity and exploration within a carefully prepared environment.

In the coming weeks, we will be hosting several orientation events where you can meet our staff, tour our classrooms, and learn more about our curriculum and daily activities. These gatherings are a wonderful opportunity to connect with other families and build a supportive network within our school community.

We encourage open communication and collaboration, so please feel free to reach out to my office with any questions or concerns throughout the year. Together, we can ensure that every child's experience at Miracle Montessori School is filled with joy, growth, and discovery.

Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education. We look forward to a year filled with exploration, learning, and wonderful memories.

Warmest regards,

Nina Na
Director, Miracle Montessori School Inc.

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About Us

Mission Statement

To support a child's inherent need for independence, freedom of choice, and love of learning by implementing authentic Montessori philosophy and methods. This is achieved within our peaceful, purposefully prepared, and child-centred educational environment.

History

Miracle Montessori School is a brand new school located in North York, Ontario, and serves 47 children between 18 months and six years. Our school is a warm Montessori environment that provides children homelike security and customized education to meet each child's needs. We are proud to serve the York Mills/Leslie community and its surrounding area. Our Montessori teachers are AMI or MACTE accredited, with many years of teaching experience in Montessori classrooms. Our supportive assistant staff are also Montessori-knowledgeable for working with children in appropriate age groups.

Miracle Montessori School's sole mission is to support each child's innate needs and nurture their human spirit. Our child-focused educational environment fosters independence, self-discipline, and curiosity. As a result, our students exhibit exceptional academic skills, strong characters, perseverance, respect for self and others, and a lifelong love of learning.

Vision and Values

At Miracle Montessori, we uphold a set of core values that guide our educational philosophy. We cherish a child's innate desire to learn and create, fostering an environment where children can explore the wonders of the natural world and engage in purposeful and meaningful work. We emphasize collaboration between the school and parents, recognizing the integral role they play in a child's learning and development journey. Our commitment to the standards of the Association Montessori International (AMI) ensures a consistent and high-quality educational experience. We prioritize the professional growth of our teaching staff, nurturing a culture of respect, curiosity, and independence in both students and educators.

The Montessori Method

What is Montessori?

Montessori is an educational philosophy and method developed by Dr. Maria Montessori in the early 1900s. It emphasizes child-centered learning, where children are encouraged to take the lead in their own education within a structured environment designed to foster independence, creativity, and critical thinking.

Why Miracle Montessori?

At Miracle Montessori School, we prioritize personalized learning plans tailored to each child's unique strengths, interests, and pace of learning. Our goal is to promote independence, self-discipline, and self-motivation in children. Our focus extends beyond academic skills and includes preparing each child's social, intellectual, and essential life skills to help.



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Our Program

Toddler Program (Ages 18 months to 2.5 years)

The Toddler Program offers a nurturing environment for young children to develop language, motor skills, and social awareness. Key components include:

Language Development: Promotes vocabulary growth and communication.

Motor Skills: Activities that encourage physical development and coordination.

Practical Life: Focuses on independence, self-care, and early social skills.

Sensorial Exploration: Introduces toddlers to textures, sounds, and colors for sensory growth.



Casa Program (Ages 2.5 to 6 years)

Our Casa Program fosters independence and intellectual growth in children through hands-on learning in a structured environment. Key areas of focus include:

Practical Life activities: Encourages independence and fine motor development.

Sensorial Activities: Enhances sensory awareness and cognitive skills.

Language learning: Builds a strong foundation in reading, writing, and communication.

Mathematics: Introduces early math concepts with concrete materials.

Cultural Studies: Engages children in geography, science, and cultural exploration.



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Curriculum

The Montessori curriculum is an educational approach developed by Dr. Maria Montessori, emphasizing hands-on, individualized learning and collaborative play. It is designed to encourage children's natural curiosity and support their development across various domains. Here are some key components of the Montessori curriculum:

Child-Centered Learning: The curriculum is tailored to the individual child's interests and pace of learning. Children are encouraged to choose their activities and explore topics that fascinate them.

Prepared Environment: Our classrooms are carefully arranged with a variety of materials that promote exploration and learning. The environment is designed to be accessible and inviting, allowing children to navigate independently.

Learning Areas: The curriculum includes various areas of study, including:



Practical Life: Activities that develop everyday skills, such as pouring, sorting, and preparing food.

Sensorial: Materials designed to refine the senses, helping children learn through exploration and observation.



Language: Language development through storytelling, phonics, vocabulary expansion, and writing.



Mathematics: Using concrete materials to understand mathematical concepts before moving on to abstract ideas.

Cultural Studies: Includes geography, history, art, and science, helping children understand their place in the world.



Mixed Age Groups: Our classrooms typically include children of varying ages, fostering peer learning and social development. Older children often mentor younger ones, enhancing their leadership skills.

Role of the Teacher: Teachers in our Montessori environments act as guides or facilitators rather than traditional instructors. Their role is to observe and support each child's learning journey while encouraging independence.

This approach aims to cultivate a love of learning, promote independence, and develop critical thinking skills in children.

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Facilities

Classrooms

We have three thoughtfully designed classrooms tailored for both toddler and CASA-aged children.

In the toddler classroom, we offer a wide range of practical life activities, such as pouring rice and box opening exercises, which help refine their motor skills. Additionally, our sensorial activities allow children to engage with and absorb knowledge about colors, shapes, and sounds.

Both CASA classrooms feature over 200 carefully curated activities that support children's development in various areas, including practical life skills, sensorial experiences, language acquisition, math, geography, biology, and cultural studies. These activities are designed to foster autonomy and a love of learning in each child.



Outdoor Play Areas

We have an expansive playground spanning over 2,000 square feet, featuring high-quality artificial grass. The playground also includes a spacious shaded area beneath a tree, providing a perfect spot for relaxation. This vibrant outdoor space offers children plenty of room to expend their energy while enjoying the surrounding greenery.



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Safety Measures

Child Safety Protocols

- **Comprehensive Safety Policies:** We implement strict safety policies that comply with local and national regulations to ensure a secure environment for all children.
- **Background Checks:** All staff members undergo thorough background checks and training in child safety and emergency procedures.
- **Supervision:** Continuous supervision of children is maintained, both indoors and outdoors, to prevent accidents and ensure their well-being.
- **Emergency Procedures:** Regular drills for fire, lockdown, and evacuation are conducted, and all staff are trained to respond effectively in emergencies.

Cleanliness and Hygiene

- **Regular Cleaning:** Classrooms, playgrounds, and communal areas are cleaned and disinfected regularly to maintain a hygienic environment.
- **Health Protocols:** We adhere to established health guidelines, including promoting handwashing and maintaining cleanliness in food preparation areas.
- **Allergy Awareness:** We take precautions to accommodate children with allergies, ensuring that all dietary restrictions are respected and communicated to staff. We are a peanut free centre.

Nurturing Environment

- **Positive Relationships:** We foster positive relationships among children and staff, encouraging respect, kindness, and empathy within the school community.
- **Emotional Support:** Staff are trained to recognize and support children's emotional needs, creating a space where every child feels valued and understood.
- **Inclusive Practices:** Our environment promotes inclusivity, ensuring that all children feel welcome, regardless of their background or abilities.

Continuous Improvement

- **Ongoing Training:** Staff regularly participate in professional development focused on child safety, health, and nurturing educational practices.
- **Feed back Mechanisms:** We encourage feedback from parents, staff, and children to continuously improve our safety protocols and overall environment.

By prioritizing safety, cleanliness, and nurturing practices, we are dedicated to providing a supportive and secure atmosphere for all children to thrive.

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Toddler Schedule

*** Before & After school hours: 7:30am - 8:30am & 3:30PM - 6:00pm**
***No Half Days in Toddler**

8:30am - 9:30am	Outdoor time
9:30am - 11:00am	Montessori Work Period (Snack and Washroom routine included)
11:00am - 12:00pm	Lunch Time
12:00pm -2:00pm	Rest time
2:00pm - 2:30pm	Snack & Washroom routine
2:30pm - 3:30pm	Outdoor time
3:30pm	Dismissal

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Casa 1 Schedule

*** Before & After school hours: 7:30am - 8:30am & 3:30PM - 6:00pm**

	Casa 1
8:30am - 10:30am	Montessori Work Period (Snack and Washroom routine included)
10:30am - 11:30am	Outdoor time
11:30am - 12:30pm	Lunch Time (Washroom routine)
12:30pm - 2:30pm	Montessori Work Period (Snack and Washroom routine included)
2:30pm - 3:30pm	Outdoor time
3:30pm	Dismissal

*** Half day children will be picked up at 12:30pm**