



MONTESSORI CASA INTERNATIONAL
PRESCHOOL

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Punum's Desk...

The Prepared Environment

"The greatest help you can give your children is freedom to go about their own work in their own way, for in this matter your child knows better than you." Maria Montessori

The Montessori classroom is a home away from home – a happy place full of friends where you can be yourself. It is a place with many interesting things to do but is also a place where you can take time out and just be quiet if you want to. It is somewhere where you can grow up knowing that you belong and that you are understood and very special.

Our teachers have spent countless hours preparing the classroom as the new school year begins to meet the needs of the children. The layout of the classroom encourages exploration, communication and the development of relationships on all levels. Everything reflects a dedication to quality, beauty and to the children's abilities to do things for themselves. Montessori saw that careful preparation of the environment is an essential ingredient for the successful development of children. She wanted the classroom to be a happy, friendly

place where children felt at home, where they knew where everything was and did not always have to rely on adults to help them.

Sing Peace Around the World

On **21 September 2016**, the United Nations is hosting its annual International Day of Peace. Montessori schools from all over the globe will be joining together for a special **Sing Peace Around the World** Celebration. We invite you to join us. Please note we will be starting at 10am sharp.

Surveys

We appreciate your response to the surveys and are making a note of ways you wish to contribute to the school community and the seminars you are interested in. Please find attached our **Quality Improvement Plan** for the 2016-2017 school year.

To start off the new school year, we have a packed agenda for **Back to School Night**. We will begin at 5pm with a course on Nutrition for the Preschoolers. This will be followed by a brief introduction to Montessori Philosophy and then a break out session where you will follow your child's teacher for ideas on how to take Montessori home. We look forward to seeing you all for this very informative night.

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Back to School Night

Please join us for Back to School Night on September 21st from 5pm – 7pm. This is an adult's only event and is an opportunity for you to get to know your child's teachers as well as learn about the Montessori method.

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September 2016

- 5 No School – Labor Day
- 15 Mid Autumn Festival
- 21 Sing Peace Around the World Celebration and Back to School Night

Mid Autumn Festival

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The Festival of the mid autumn moon will be celebrated on September 15th, 2016. The day is traditionally dedicated to giving thanks to the Moon Goddess and celebrating the value of family and togetherness. Please join your children in celebration at the Casa from 10:30am – 11am.