

Montessori School in Kleinburg

2022 - 2023 School Year

Parent Orientation

TODDLER PROGRAM

ZOOM Orientation Guidelines

- There may be a short period for questions will be at the end of the session- the Zoom session will automatically end after 40 minutes
- We kindly ask all participants to remain muted. Please do not unmute yourself until the end/questions
- Please be respectful and mindful that we are facilitating this orientation as a group
- We ask that you keep questions as general as possible as time does not permit us to go through each individual scenario
- Our policies and procedures are fluid, as changes & updates occur we will inform you

Oh Canada

MSK Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

We would like to give thanks for land that MSK sits on. Thank you to the Haudenosaunee (ho-dee-no-SHOW-nee), Anishinaabe (a-nish-i-NAA-bay) and the Mississaugas of the Credit people for taking care of this land and sharing it with us.

Welcome New & Returning Toddler Staff - Introductions

- Melizza Seballos - Toddler Lavender, Assistant to the Department Head
- Sara Galati - Department Head (Returning January 2022)
- Katie Chi - Toddler Lavender
- Donna Marra- Toddler Lavender Assistant
- Khemie Marcelin- Toddler Lavender Assistant
- Pavi Patkunanathan - Toddler Rose
- Izzah Ahsan - Toddler Rose, Toddler Department Head
- Amanda Orlando - Toddler Rose Assistant, Music Teacher
- Maki Shuri - Toddler Rose Assistant

September Goals for Students, Parents & Teachers

Students: To become familiar with school routines & the daily schedule. To follow classroom rules & to feel comfortable and positive coming to school. Gain curiosity of the natural world and find an enjoyment in learning.

Parents: To feel confident and comfortable with leaving their child at MSK. MSK is a safe and positive learning environment in which your child will grow and thrive in. Develop open positive communication with their classroom teachers & make connections with other families

Teachers: To develop open communication and positive rapport with students and families. To encourage and foster the development of classroom routines, student expectations and create a positive, supportive and nurturing learning environment for all students

When is the first day
of school, and what
will it look school
like?

September 6th, 2022

The first day of school will operate as a regular full day for returning students.

DROP OFF: VESTIBULE ENTRANCE

For new students, they will take part in the Ease-In Program

New Student Ease In Program

DUE TO MSK'S CURRENT HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS - PARENTS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ENTER THE SCHOOL. PARENTS WILL BE ASKED TO DROP OFF, SAY GOODBYE AND EXIT THE PARKING LOT. PARENTS ARE NOT TO GATHER AND SOCIALIZE ON MSK PROPERTY.

First Day of Ease-In

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Second Day of Ease-In

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Third Day of Ease-In

9:00 am - 11:00 am

Fourth and Fifth Days of Ease-In

9:00 am - as per Teachers

Daily Schedule

TIME	ACTIVITY
8:00 - 8:30	Staggered Arrival
8:30 - 9:10	Morning Work Period/Handwashing
9:10 - 9:20	Snack
9:30 - 10:30	Outdoor Play
10:30 - 11:20	Morning Circle Handwashing Diapering/Toileting
11:20 - 11:30	Handwashing Half Day Dismissal
11:30 - 11:50	Lunch

Daily Schedule

TIME	ACTIVITY
12:00 - 2:00	Handwashing, Nap
2:00 - 2:30	Handwashing, Snack, Diapering
2:30 - 3:00	Afternoon work period
3:00 - 3:15	End of Day Circle
3:15 - 4:00	Handwashing Dismissal

- **There will be French and Italian Specialties offered once a week on a rotating basis. This will take place during our daily circle times.**
- **Gym time will be designated once a week**

Safety Procedures: Arrivals, Dismissals, Lates, and Absences

STAGGERED Arrivals: 8:00 am - 8:30 am
LATEST 8:45 am.

DISMISSALS: 3:15 pm - 3:50 pm. Weather
permitting outdoors OR vestibule

LATES: If you arrive at school past 9am, kindly
drop your child off to the office entrance and
their teacher will pick them up to bring to class

ABSENCES: If your child is absent, you must
send an email to your classroom teachers and
let us know the reason for their absence

Welcome Package Forms and Parent Portal

Password:
Parents2223!!

ALL forms must be submitted prior to school starting

Anaphylactic/Non-Medical Forms must also be completed and submitted prior to school

Epi-Pen/Benadryl to be on site prior to the first day of school

Weekly and Monthly Office Memos and Newsletters are posted on the Parent Portal

Student related forms are posted on the Parent Portal

Any updates will be posted on the Parent Portal

Uniform

Uniforms can be purchased from Uniform Basics.

The Toddler students are not required to wear the uniform items. The toddler students are to wear MSK uniform colours:

- White
- Navy
- Grey
- Hunter Green

The extra clothes in your child's bin do not have to be uniform colours, as these are extra clothes to change into in the event they get dirty at school.

BACKPACKS - NO small skip hop backpacks

HiMama

HiMama is the Application we are using to communicate your child's daily report.

You will receive an email with login in details. If you have yet to receive one, kindly let your child's classroom teachers know.

The Daily Report will include:

- Diapering/Toileting
- Food
- Nap
- Arrival/Dismissal
- Notes (if applicable)

NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT USE HIMAMA TO SEND "EMAILS"

Toddler Review

This year, our school year is focused on Health and Safety. Students will be routinely taught to:

- Wash Hands during every transition. These include:
 - When arriving indoors
 - Before outdoor play
 - Before and After meals
 - After toileting/diapering routine

The Toddler Montessori Curriculum will continue to be implemented. What are the Areas? Practical Life, Language and Sensorial.

We invite you to attend our Curriculum Zoom where we will discuss the areas of Toddler Montessori on **Tuesday September 27th, 2022.**

Thank you for joining us....

We encourage you to bring your completed forms with you - these will be collected by your classroom teacher. You may also drop off your child's personal items at this time - this greatly eases the amount of items that need to come to school on the first day and of school.

1:00pm - 2:00pm

- You may also also drop off items outside of this time period if you are unavailable. Please connect with your classroom/email to arrange a drop off time

- We look forward to seeing you at the Meet & Greet on Thursday September 1st at 10:00am - 11:30am
- Please make your way to the side playground
- Two families at a time will be meeting in your child's designated classroom
 - Just a friendly reminder this is a drop-in session for you and your child to briefly meet your child's teachers as well as see their classroom
 - Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding

See you tomorrow!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO
WELCOMING OUR NEW AND
RETURNING FAMILIES!!!

