



2006-2007 ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2007



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31 years ago a group of parents saw a need to create a loving educational community for their children which would draw its principles from the natural development of the child. This first Childpeace program was located in the YWCA in Southwest Portland. Since that time, hundreds of families have benefited from the vision of these parents.

During the 2006-2007 school year, Childpeace provided 271 children with quality Montessori education and aftercare programs at both its downtown Portland facility and Southeast Portland classroom, continuing the mission set forth so many years ago.

Highlights from the 2006-07 school year include:

- Childpeace purchasing their property on NW Thurman, making the school a property owner for the first time in its history
- Securing funds through the purchase to begin development of the new upper elementary classrooms in preparation for opening the fifth elementary classroom in Fall 2007
- Record-breaking parent volunteer participation, with the majority of families meeting or exceeding the requirement for the year

During 2006-2007, Childpeace families, extended family members, and friends continued to play a vital role in building a strong and healthy school community through fundraising and volunteer efforts. We are proud to detail those efforts in this report.

Warmest regards,

**Sue Pritzker** Head of School

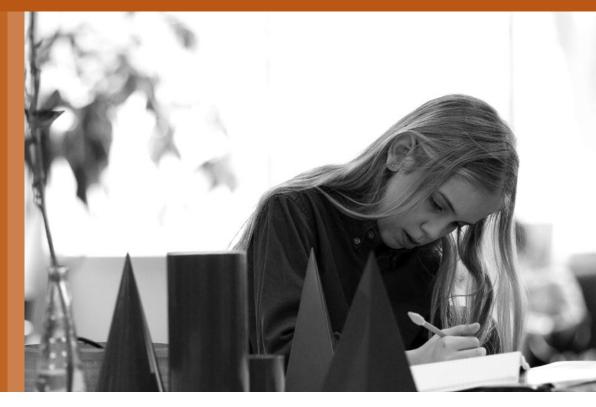
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#### ABOUT CHILDPEACE MONTESSORI SCHOOL

Childpeace Montessori School was established in 1976. It is an Association Montessori Internationale (AMI) recognized school for children 15 months-12 years old as well as a non-profit corporation, certified child care center, and an Oregon-registered private school. A Board of Directors and a full-time administrative staff oversee Childpeace operations. Board Members are elected from the parent body and community at large and concentrate on all major projects, including fundraising.

#### **MISSION:**

To guide the development of the whole child, socially and academically, through the principles of AMI Montessori education in an urban setting.

#### **PURPOSE:**

Childpeace provides a Montessori based education to toddlers to adolescents.

#### **VISION:**

Childpeace shapes the future of our world through the cultivation of inquisitive minds and socially responsible young citizens.

#### CHILDPEACE HISTORY

Childpeace Montessori School was established in 1976 in Southwest Portland, then moved to the Northwest/Pearl District in 1988. A 5th Children's House classroom for 3-6-year-olds was opened in the The Terrace Assisted Living Facility in Southeast Portland in 1999. This program is unique in Portland for its intergenerational component that brings the children and senior residents together. The elementary program opened in 2000 in an off-site Pearl District location and grew steadily to include 1st-6th grade. In 2003 Childpeace was fortunate to find their building and playground space on NW Thurman to accommodate all downtown classrooms under one roof.







#### **FACULTY AND STAFF**

The quality of faculty and staff at Childpeace is the foundation for the school's success. Childpeace teachers are selected for their professional talents and their constant and loving concern for the children in their charge. The trained Montessori guide is an artful organizer of experiences for the child to discover, process, and practice. Constant and ongoing observation by the guide is the foundation of the Montessori program. All Childpeace guides are fully trained and certified through the Association Montessori Internationale (AMI). Many of our guides also hold Masters degrees in education. In addition, students have access to specialists in many fields, including Spanish language, nutrition, physical education, and arts education. During 2006-07, approximately 50 individuals were employed at Childpeace.

#### **COMMUNITY LIFE AND PARENT INVOLVEMENT**

Childpeace believes that teaching children effectively requires the close collaboration between parents, teachers, and administration. The social life of each class and the community at large offer enormous learning opportunities for every child. Maria Montessori believed that the young child who is actively engaged in a functional social community at an early age will become a responsible citizen in their adult life. All members of the child's family are encouraged to participate in the life of the school in a variety of ways, including parent education, classroom activities, volunteer efforts, and community gatherings.



#### **TUITION ASSISTANCE**

The Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) was initiated with a \$250,000 donation from a very generous donor. This program is the only one of its kind among Montessori schools in the Portland area. TAP is designed to make Childpeace Montessori School accessible to children who would not otherwise be able to attend.

The Tuition Assistance Program is:

- Dedicated to promoting a diverse community at Childpeace
- Designed to provide enrollment continuity; families are encouraged to re-apply each year
- Dedicated to assisting families who have demonstrated a strong commitment to the Childpeace community

Over the past six school years, the TAP program has allowed Childpeace to provide an average of 12 scholarships annually through full and partial awards. In 06-07 we offered a total of \$42,000 in assistance.

#### **FUNDRAISING**

Last year Childpeace families, friends, and alumni contributed generously through the Annual Appeal, Spring Auction, Art Run, and Scrip Program.

During the 06-07 school year, tuition at Childpeace covered approximately 82% of the total expenses, with our community raising the remaining 18% from fundraising activities. (These percentages are comparable to those of other private schools in the Portland area.) We thank the hundreds of donors who understand the relationship between fundraising and maintaining Childpeace Montessori School's unique and high quality educational environment.

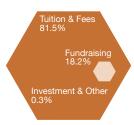
# CORNERSTONE CAMPAIGN AND PUBLIC PURCHASE BOND PROJECT

In November 2006, Childpeace embarked on the \$500,000 Cornerstone Campaign to support the school's effort to secure the future. Led by an experienced and dedicated steering committee, the campaign received \$262,047 in gifts and pledges by fiscal year end. Preparation also continued for securing lower interest rates through public purchase bonds. These bonds would allow the school to re-finance the current mortgage and provide funds for future capital improvements.

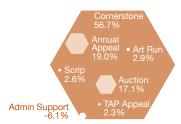


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# **Childpeace Financial Results** 2006-2007 Fiscal Year

July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007 (audited)

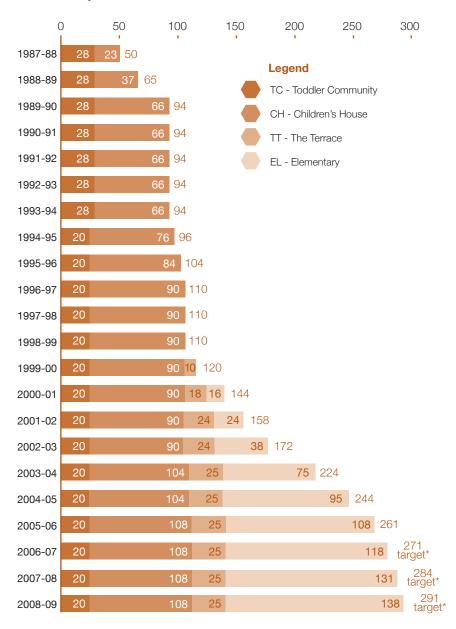
Income			
Tuition & Fees	\$	2,290,504	81.5%
Fundraising	\$	510,654	18.2%
Investment & Other	\$	8,127	0.3%
Total	\$	2,809,285	100%
Expense			
Program Services	\$	2,080,806	83.5%
Management & General	\$	319,880	12.9%
Fundraising	\$	48,447	1.9%
Depreciation	\$	42,102	1.7%
Total	\$	2,491,235	100%
Net Income	\$	318,050	
Net Fundraising Income Detail			
Auction	\$	79,538	17.1%
		70,000	17.170
Annual Appeal	\$	87,784	19.0%
Annual Appeal Art Run	\$		
	\$	87,784	19.0%
Art Run	\$ \$ \$	87,784 13,436	19.0% 2.9%
Art Run Scrip	\$	87,784 13,436 11,896	19.0% 2.9% 2.6%
Art Run Scrip TAP Appeal	\$ \$ \$	87,784 13,436 11,896 35,850	19.0% 2.9% 2.6% 2.3%
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"In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Childpeace Montessori School and Subsidiary as of June 30, 2007, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States."

Gary McGee & Co
Certified Public Accountants



#### **Childpeace Enrollment**



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