


Montessori Learning Areas

Most classroom observations are during the work time. Children are free to explore the classroom environment and choose activities that interest them from the following learning areas:

Practical Life: Activities of everyday living, include pouring, spooning, polishing, care of the environment, care of self, and food preparation. These activities are designed to reinforce and strengthen a child's fine motor skills.

Sensorial: These activities focus on the use of the child's sense. The materials allow the child to explore dimensions, size, length, width, shape, color, smell, sound, and weight.

Math: These activities allow the child to recognize and name numbers, understand one to one correspondence and the basics of geometry. The materials move through number recognition, linear counting, decimal system and the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division).



Language: These activities prepare the child for reading and writing with emphasis on developing a relationship between listening skills, the sense of touch, and language skills.

Geography/Cultural: These activities promote an understanding of the universe and our own planet with a focus on both it's physical and cultural traits. Children become familiar with maps, names of continents, countries, and regions. . . and learn about different cultures at various points in the school year

Science: These activities develop an understanding of our environment; beginning understanding of classification (living things, non-living things), types and parts of plants/animals, ecosystems, seasons.

Snack Time: Snack area is open during work time and the children cycle in and out.

Each child is responsible for tidying the snack area when they have finished eating, and when a spot opens up, another child is free to take his/her space .