



# WELCOME TO OUR CLASSROOM

*What a beautiful first few weeks we had of the new school year.  
Children are settling into a Montessori environment, routine and making new friends.*

## Grace and Courtesy

Grace and Courtesy is a very important part of the Montessori philosophy and Classroom. Grace and Courtesy lessons give the child the vocabulary, actions, and steps required for him/her to build his/her awareness and responsiveness of those around him/her. This in turn gives the child a better sense of orientation in his social structure. Grace and Courtesy lessons are given to each child in the environment and usually in a group. Some of the Grace and Courtesy we have been practicing:

- Place items in your cubby
- Sitting in group circle
- Washing hands
- Carrying a tray
- Unrolling and rolling a mat
- Walk around a mat
- Pull out and tuck in your chair
- How to wait and ask for help
- How to ask if you can watch someone working on a lesson
- How to clean up after yourself

## Classroom Rules



## International Day of Peace

Peace education is a huge aspect of the Montessori Method. Peace is also a habit that Montessori children learn. Lessons in Grace and Courtesy, the Peace Table and Peace Rose we have in our classroom teach our children the habit of viewing and treating others with respect.

September 21<sup>st</sup> is International Day of Peace

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V4cxee6KE6A>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5UhXG2Sk1i8>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=329t5D3ZTaw>

We sing I've got joy like a fountain before I've got love like an ocean.

Enjoy listening and singing.

## Some action pictures

Please be respectful with the PICTURES that I share in the newsletters, don't share on social media. Thank you.



Food Prep lessons are always a hit. We made apple sauce together by peeling and cutting apples and grating cinnamon. It was delicious.