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Authentic Montessori programs from birth to six years



My Montessori is an independent community based school dedicated to laying the foundation for your child's future and designed to increase parent's awareness of their child's capabilities and need for independence, through the use of Montessori principles and rich resources.

Children will have the opportunity to learn and adopt vital life skills such as respect, responsibility, confidence, independence, emotional regulation, critical thinking and problem solving through a series of parent/child group programs that we run for 0 – 3 years old as well as a preschool program for children between 3-6 years old. My Montessori is proud to be a pioneer in the sector being the very first traditional Montessori school within Blacktown city council. My Montessori is a hands on, sensory and tactile environment where your child can explore, grow and develop at his/her own pace through the guidance of the teachers.











YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/c/GuideGrowTV

Guide & Grow website: www.guideandgrow.com

Director Sylvia Arotin, holds an International Montessori 0-3 Assistant to Infancy Full Diploma, 3-6 preschool Montessori assistants certificate, International Communications degree and a Masters in Teaching specializing in early childhood (0-5 yrs) (Honours) from Macquarie University. She has been involved in Montessori teaching over the last 10 years and her passion for children's learning and development, as well as supporting and educating parents, is fundamental to the My Montessori school.

She also hosts a number of parent education seminars and **YouTube videos** based around communication skills and guiding behavior and is the founder of **Guide & Grow** and **Montessori at Home (0-3years) Facebook Group** – the largest online Montessori parenting support platform in the world!

QUALIFICATIONS

- Masters in Teaching (Birth 5years)
 (Academic Excellence) Macquarie University
- Bachelor of International Communications
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- International Montessori Teaching (Assistants to Infancy Diploma 0-3 yrs) – Northern American Montessori Centre (NAMC)
- AMI Montessori Assistants Certificate (3-6 yrs)
 - Montessori Australia Foundation

"Our work as adults does not consist in teaching, but in helping the infant mind in its work of development"

Dr Maria Montessori.

Dr Maria Montessori (1870 – 1952) was a pioneer in education and most importantly in recognizing the importance of the first three years of life as the basis for development during the rest of our lives. She discovered that children seek out information from their surroundings from the moment of birth and that this information together with each child's unique genetic endowment is transferred into building blocks for their physical, cognitive, and psychological development.

Current international research continues to support her findings and as such her work has been replicated all over the world.

At My Montessori we highly value the importance of rich communication and language during your child's first years, developing their skills to negotiate play with their peer, develop rich vocabulary and express their feelings and thoughts which we practice in our toddler and infant programs.

What we do:

Structured, individualized developmental activities are provided aimed at:

- Nurturing the child's urge for Independence
- **Building self-esteem**, emotional regulation and selfbelief (confidence)
- Developing their concentration span
- Exposing them to situations that make them realize that **actions have consequences**

This is achieved through the **repetition of activities** that lay the foundations of language, movement, order and perception. These activities **do not use toys or other play equipment**, but provide age appropriate, **real life interactive experience** to foster the development of life skills, such as:

- Language acquisition and enrichment activities, e.g. development of vocabulary through naming of classified objects representative of the real world in which they live. Movable alphabet and sandpaper letters/numbers. (tactile representations of numerals and letters)
- **Math development** through the use of counters, counting beads, tactile and sandpaper numbers, basic addition and subtraction, fractions and geometric shapes.
- **Science learning** through botany puzzles, life cycles and anatomy activities.
- Geography and history with explorations of Australia, world maps, flags, monuments and giving them an experience of being a citizen of the world.
- **Development of hand-eye coordination** and visual discrimination skills, e.g. puzzles, sorting, posting, etc.
- **Practical life skills development**, e.g. flower arranging, window washing, food preparation and caring for their environment.
- **Art and craft**, e.g. painting, drawing, pasting, cutting, sewing etc.
- **Music and movement**, e.g. group singing, playing of percussion instruments, dance, etc.
- **Outdoor activities** focused on care of the environment and/or gross motor development, e.g. sweeping, planting, watering, balancing, ball skills, etc.

The Montessori Directress set's up the environment and presents the activities to the children in a way that will enable them to have success with minimal adult assistance.















Parent/toddler groups:

Parents are made aware of the importance of observing their child before interrupting and of allowing their child to complete and repeat tasks until the child is satisfied, thus providing them with hands-on experience of the practical application of the Montessori philosophy of education.

It is emphasized that the child's development can only thrive in an environment where both the physical and psychological needs are met, i.e. what is provided for the child as well as our attitude to the child.

These sessions also allow parents to practice communication skills to help engage cooperation, help children deal with their feelings, support their child's development and assist them with implementing activities and ideas at home. We value the feedback of our parents and their contribution to their child's development and endeavour to work with you to lay the best foundation for your child.

Sessions run:

(Days & Times may vary)

Monday to Friday 9:30 – 11:30am

(**Toddler & Parent** +/- 18 months to 3yrs)

(**Baby & Parent** 0 to 18 months in home)
Rental Boxes Available
https://guide-grow.myshopify.com/collections/all

Preschool groups:

The Montessori preschool program not only prepares the child for school but more importantly continues to prepare the child for life. Essential to their transition to school is their emotional regulation, intrinsic motivation, confidence, independence, ability to adapt to change and social skills (including respect for others, communication skills and the ability to problem solve/critical think).

Children contribute to their curriculum each term by choosing a project which interests them to work on for the term, thus involving them in important decision making about their learning. On the academic front we provide rich, tactile and sensory learning materials in all areas of curriculum including numeracy (counting, fractions, 3D shapes, addition, subtraction), literacy (reading, writing, movable alphabet, vocabulary, comprehension), geography, science, history, construction, practical life and sensory experiences where children drive their learning while exploring the environment.

All sessions provide organic fruit including bananas, apples, and oranges as well as gluten free cruskits, vegemite and organic butter for spreading.

Preschool children bring a packed lunch to school.

Sessions run:

(Days & Times may vary)

Monday to Friday (No Parent)

HALF DAY SESSIONS: 9:00 - 12:00pm OR 12:00pm- 3:00pm

FULL DAY SESSIONS: 9:00am - 3:00pm

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Sessions take place in Kellyville Ridge, NSW

For enquiries or to make a booking email:

contactmymontessori@gmail.com

Fees & Session details:

Timetable & Program Session Contributions 2024 Application Fee \$250 | Library \$40 (includes personalized library bag)

PROGRAM	SESSION TIME	TERM CONTRIBUTIONS (10 weeks)		
MONDAY & FRIDAY	MONDAY			
TODDLER & PARENT (+/-18 months to 3yr	rs)			
Monday session class (\$45/day)	9:00am - 11:00pm	\$450		
{2 hours session}	FRIDAY			
Friday session class (\$45/day) {2 hours session}	9:00am - 11:00pm	\$450		
BABY PROGRAM IS ONLINE	Rental Boxes is availab	le		
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY				
PRESCHOOL (No parent) 3yrs +		No CCS available		
Half Day Session \$65/day	9:00am – 12:00pm			
OR	12:00pm - 3:00pm			
Full Day Session \$125/day	9:00am - 3:00pm			

NOTE: All fees include GST and are payable per term one week before the start of the term. Discounts are offered for multiple children attending the school ranging from 10-30% off fees.

Other details:

- Group determined by stage of development rather than age of child
- 12 children max in each preschool class, 1 teacher to every 4 children
- Toddler program each child to be accompanied by one adult/carer up to 10 children
- pre-crawling sibling can accompany parent to Toddler program
- 10 weeks/term
- Please call or email to find out which program would be the most suitable for your child

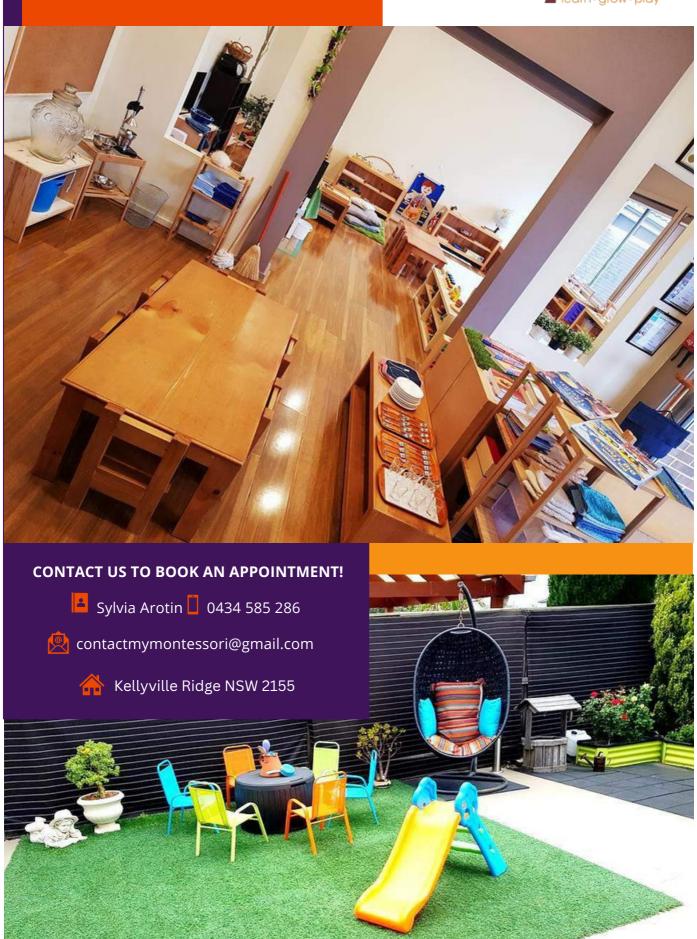
Waiting list Information:

The Application fee (\$250) non-refundable puts you on the Waiting List and is used for the enrollment fee once your child has received a place. You will then be informed and notified as soon as a place is available. Once you have been offered a place you will only be charged the term fees.



We encourage you to book an **Observation time** during our hours of operation prior to being offered a place.







Waiting List - Application Form

Please complete the application form and return with proof of payment for \$250 Application Fee Email: contactmymontessori@gmail.com

Asterisked Items are required. All other items are optional.

*DATE OF APPLICATION

CHILD INFORMATION									
*FIRST NAME			7	SURNA	ME				
*DATE OF BIRTH			ť	GENDE	R	MALE	FEI	MALE _]
Is there anything in relation to your *child's development that we need to know? Eg. Allergies:									
SIBLINGS:	(Name								
SIBLINGS:	(Names and ages):								
CONTACT INFO									
Parent 1			EM	EMAIL					
*NAME			OCCUP	ATION					
*PHONE NOS	НОМЕ		WORK				MOBILE		
Parent 2			EM	AIL					
*NAME			OCCUP	ATION					
*PHONE NOS	НОМЕ		WORK				MOBILE		
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POSTAL ADDRE	SS							CODE	

SESSION INFO

*ATTENDING ADULT	Mother	Father		Other carer]			
*OTHER CARER NAME								
RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD	(eg. Nanny, granny)							
HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US?	Facebook [Google [Word Other	of mouth				
WHY ARE YOU INTERSTED IN YOUR CHILD ATTENDING MY MONTESSORI?								
SESSION PREFERENCES (mark with an X) Baby Program Pre-school Program Pre-school Program								
I AM FLEXIBLE OR WILL DECIDE WHEN A PLACE BECOMES AVAILABLE								
I HAVE FIXED PREFERENCES FOR THE FOLLOWING SESSIONS (See table)								
1 ST PREFERENCE		2ND PREFER	RENCE					
ANY OTHER COMMENTS:								
APPLICATION FEE: \$250 (incl. GST) – email proof of payment to contactmymontessori@gmail.com Payment by: Cash Direct payment								
Banking Details Account Name - Guide & Grow Pty Ltd Commonwealth Bank BSB: 062-703 Act: 10591598								