

Cultural

There is no task more worthwhile than to introduce young children to the world and fill their minds with wonder; set their eyes ablaze with fascination for all the different cultures of the Earth. Our role as teachers is to help children learn to live in peace and harmony with all people and the environment. Our cultural area includes Geography, Zoology, Botany and Science.



Parent Observations

Parents are welcome to observe the program. Contact the school office at (650) 286-0400 to make an appointment.

Faculty

The school is a member of the American Montessori Society, the Child Care Coordinating Council of San Mateo County, and the Bay Area Montessori Association.

Tuition & Fees

For tuition and fees schedule, school calendar, or additional information about our school, leave a message on the school's voice mail, (650) 286-0400.

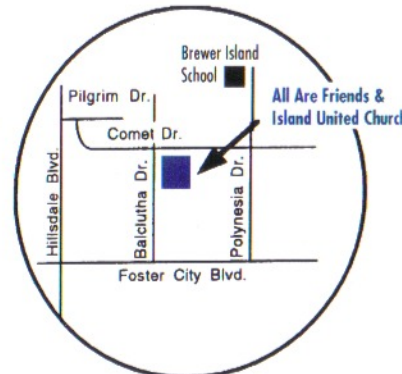
All Are Friends Montessori Preschool

operated by Island United Church



*"The secret of all nature
is to be found
in the soul of a child"*

- Maria Montessori -



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Philosophy

All Are Friends Montessori philosophy is founded on the love of children and their individual personalities and needs. The school bases its curriculum on the teachings of Dr. Maria Montessori.

Children are our focus and we provide a nurturing, safe, and stimulating environment in which they thrive.

Program

All Are Friends Montessori is a year round preschool based on the Montessori philosophy. The program is designed for children ages two and a half years (potty trained) to six years. Classes are taught by certified Montessori teachers and meet Monday through Friday.

Nutritious snacks will be provided morning and afternoon. Children bring their own lunch. Milk will be provided. Parents are responsible for transportation to and from school.

Half day, full day and extended care programs are offered for three, four and five days.

Education

The Montessori program provides a well rounded educational environment. Areas of the classroom include the following:

Practical Life

Practical Life is an extremely important curriculum area for young children who are learning and mastering basic skills. The activities in this area are designed to teach a child to function in their own environment. The tasks include use of utensils and process activities, such as dish washing.



Sensorial Activities

Sensorial activities are engaging to children because they involve tactile learning. The child discovers and refines visual discrimination skills, such as size, length, and width. The goal of these activities is to develop the ability to classify and sort colors, textures and smells, and to transfer that knowledge to the outside environment.



Language

Language is a favorite area in the Montessori classroom. Activities are designed to prepare the child for continued language development. The child is constantly encouraged in this area, starting with basic language and vocabulary building. As the child gets older, phonetic sounds are taught with the use of sandpaper letters, objects, and pictures. Reading and writing of simple words are then accomplished with the guidance of the teacher.



Mathematics

Mathematics in Montessori education starts with sensory perceptions based on the knowledge of concrete objects. As children show an interest, they are exposed to numbers and counting. They are then encouraged to develop mathematical concepts through daily living activities.

