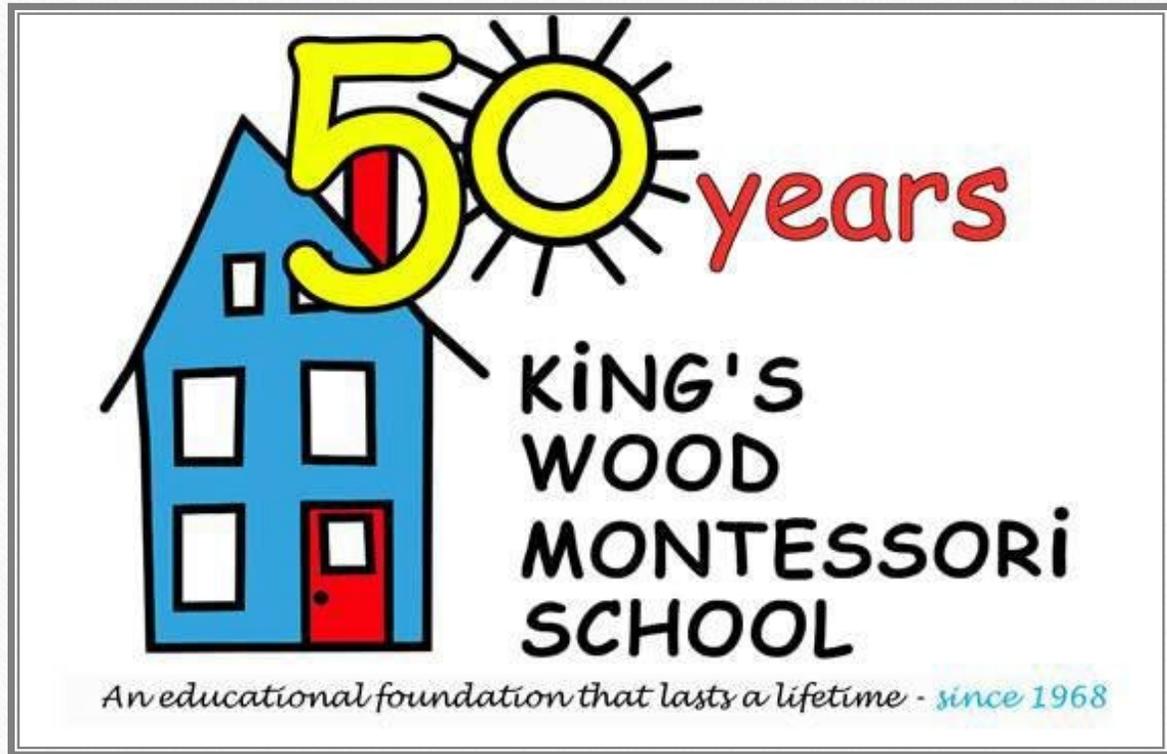


King's Wood Montessori School

Virtual Tour



An Educational Foundation that Lasts a Lifetime.

- King's Wood Montessori School was founded in 1968 by a group of parents who wanted a Montessori education for their children.
- These founding members believed that the Montessori method of education, which is based on responsible freedom of the individual in the prepared environment, would offer their children a unique sense of self-sufficiency, build their social-emotional well being, and share with them a joy of learning that would last a lifetime.

Daily Schedule

- 8:00 am - 9:00 am: Before Care Program
- 9:00 am to 11:00 am: Morning Work Cycle
- 11:00 am: Line time
- 11:30 am -12:00 pm: Recess
- 12:00 pm: Morning Class Dismissal
- 12:00 pm -1:00 pm: Lunch and Rest Time
- 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm: Afternoon Work Cycle
- 2:00 pm: Line Time
- 2:30 – 3:00 pm: Recess
- 3:00 pm: Full Day Class Dismissal
- 3:00 pm– 5:00 pm: After Care Program



All-Natural Playground

Areas of the Classroom

1. Practical
Life

2. Sensorial

3. Language

4. Math

5. Geography
and World
Cultures

6. Art and
Music

Practical Life

- Practical life lessons in a Montessori classroom are activities that help children learn how to care for themselves and their environment.
- Foster child's independence, coordination, concentration, and sense of order.
- Build hand strength and fine motor skills.
- Prepare child for future academic work.
- Teach grace and courtesy to build our sense of community.



Grating



Silver Polishing



Cooking



Scooping

Sensorial

- Children use their sense of sight, sound, taste, touch, and smell to acquire knowledge.
- Each material gives children the opportunity to sort things by size, shape, color, touch, sound, temperature, and weight.
- Control of error is built into the materials to foster independence and critical thinking skills.



Sound Cylinders



Brown Stairs



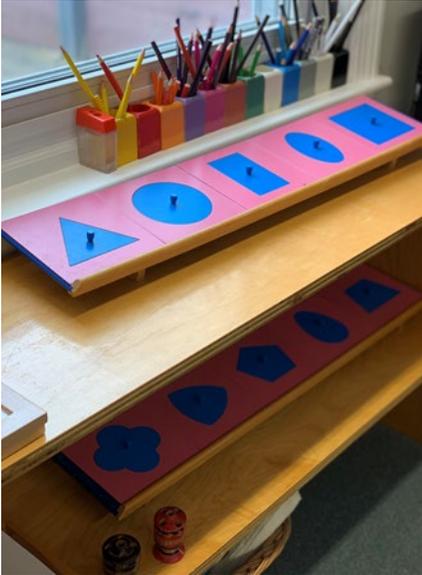
Pressure Cylinders



Knobbed Cylinders

Language

- Language in a Montessori classroom begins with oral language, visual discrimination, and phonemic awareness (the understanding that words are made of sounds).
- Children are then introduced to more abstract concepts like matching sound to symbol (letter), word building, phonetic word reading, writing, and then moves into more challenging reading and writing concepts.
- Multicultural and diverse literature of all kinds is shared with children throughout the year, building reading comprehension skills and a connection to the world around them.



Metal Insets



Sandpaper Letters



Alphabet Strip Board



Movable Alphabet

Math

- Each material isolates one concept and graduates from concrete to abstract.
- The first activities introduce counting from 0-9 to understand one to one correspondence, then associating the quantity with a number.
- Decimal system work and linear counting follow, along with the four operations and more abstract work.
- Each material is arranged beautifully in the classroom to invite children to explore them while teaching them spatial sense, similarities, differences, patterns, and order and sequence.



Short Bead Stair



45 Layout



Skip Counting Chain



Addition



Geography & Cultural Studies

- Dr. Maria Montessori's vision was to teach children that they are part of the universe and they have their own place in society and the world.
- Materials represent the physical qualities of the earth, its man-made divisions, and ways of daily life.
- Every year each class studies the about culture, music, food, clothing, and ways of daily life of different cultures from around the world.
- Teachers are committed to helping children learn about human differences.



Flags



Cultures around
the world



Maps



Cultural Unit: Italy

Art and Music

- Art and music are an integral part of the life of a Montessori classroom.
- Children are given the freedom to create and express themselves through various materials made available to them.
- Teachers often highlight the work of an artist whose work is engaging to children.
- There are music activities for the whole group each day—singing, moving freely to music, dancing with specific moves, using rhythm instruments—and celebrations always include music.



Handprints



Art: Botany



Musical
performance by
Hugh Hanley



Pot Decorating

Thank you

- Thank you for taking the time to take the virtual tour. We hope that when the time comes to give the gift of a Montessori education to your child you will give King's Wood Montessori School a sincere consideration.
- Please call us at 508-543-6391 to schedule a meeting with the Director.