



August 23, 2021

Dearest Parents,

I would like to welcome you and your family to our sweet “Dragonflies” Classroom. My name is Ms. Melinda and I have been working at Oneonta Montessori for Twenty years. 😊 I have my Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education as well as my Montessori Teaching Certificate. I am proud to say my two daughters graduated from Oneonta and it has been an incredibly rewarding experience to see them now all grown up. We are now enjoying my youngest son, Isaiah, who is on his way into 6<sup>th</sup> grade here at O.M.S!

I have many goals planned for your little ones for a successful school year. I am eager to make sure our Prekindergartners will blossom into independent and productive little members of our school as they mature in their social and emotional development and take on the task of learning by doing. Throughout the school year, your precious little Dragonfly will strengthen their independence as well as learn to:

- Share as they play
- Help friends in need
- Communicate their needs and feelings
- Be aware of and respect the environment
- Be happy campers

I am always available to discuss your child’s progress and to answer any questions you may have throughout the school year. The best way to reach me is via my email at [Melinda@oneontamontessori.com](mailto:Melinda@oneontamontessori.com) or via our school DOJO app. Communication between teacher and parents is vital to a child’s well being so please let’s keep the line of communication open all year!

Please take a few minutes to read all the School Year 2021-2022 Safety Protocols, available on our school website. I will see all of you on Zoom at our Back to School Night, Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions for me I will be very happy to answer them.

Sincerely,

Ms. Melinda