



August 21, 2023

Dear Parents,

Hello and welcome back to school! We are filled with joy to see our returning “Ladybugs” and are extremely thrilled to meet the new children who will be joining our “Ladybug” classroom. We are looking forward to meeting you all and to an excellent academic school year, full of happiness and fun hands-on learning.

My name is Ms. Karen and this is my sixth academic year here at Oneonta Montessori, and my fifth year as a lead teacher. It has always been a dream of mine to become a teacher; right after graduating high school I enrolled at East Los Angeles College and then transferred to California State University, Los Angeles where I received my Bachelors Degree in child development. I worked for Los Angeles School District for 3 years as a teacher’s assistant and taught English to students who had just migrated from other countries and didn’t speak the language. I also received my Montessori training from the North American Montessori Center. I have been working with children for almost 9 years. It is an honor to be part of the developmental growth that takes place in every individual child.

Joining me this year is sweet, caring and knowledgeable Ms. Annai who has been working at Oneonta for almost a year. Currently, she is a student at California State University of Los Angeles working on her Bachelors Degree in Child Development. Ms. Annai is a valuable partner in helping with the education of our sweet little ladybugs and together we will make sure your little ones are well taken care of to the best of our ability.

In order for our classroom to run smoothly, it is imperative that everyone adheres to all of the guidelines and school policies, without exception. It will take time for everyone to adjust; but it will be in the best interest of all, especially the children. Also, please help your child make a smooth transition into this new and exhilarating world of knowledge and friendship, by keeping an open line of communication with us.

Here in our preschool class, your child will have the opportunity to learn and grow in an environment that is tailored to meet their academic and social needs. They will develop social and communication skills through a program that builds confidence while supporting our preschool curriculum of math, language development, science, and cultural subjects taught in fun and interactive ways. Let’s get ready for a lot of fun and of course a lot of learning. Here’s to an amazing school year!

We hope that all our preschoolers will grow through their daily experiences and become independent little people. . The best way to reach me is via my email at karen@oneontamontessori.com or via our school DOJO app. I hope to see all of you on Back to School Night on Friday, September 8th. I will be here to answer any questions or relieve any concerns you may have. Let’s make this year unforgettable!

Thank you for this wonderful opportunity to guide and nurture your child.

Sincerely,

Ms. Karen