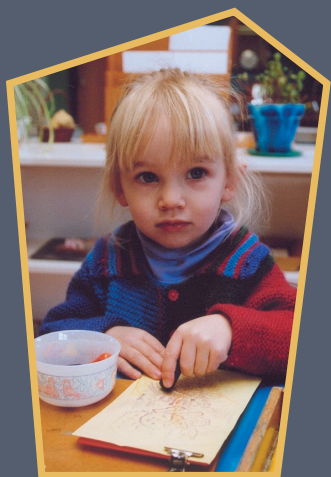




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- ✿ Unique opportunities in Early Childhood and Primary Education for families that are focused on providing the very best experiences for their children.
- ✿ Internationally recognised Early Childhood and Primary learning programmes.
- ✿ Opportunity to develop skills and talents within a warm, supportive, social community where respect is a core value.
- ✿ Unique outdoor learning environments.
- ✿ Flexi drop off and pick up times at the Casa to suit busy working parents - from 8am to 5.15pm.
- ✿ Casa classes at Dorset Ave: 2 to 6 years
- ✿ Primary classes at Moturoa School: 6 to 9 years and 9 to 12 years.



## Frequently asked questions...

### *When should I enrol my child, and when can they start?*

Generally as early as possible. Children start between 2 and 3 years.

### *Isn't this young to be starting ?*

Most children between 2 and 3 years are ready for experiences outside their home. They are usually looking for become social experiences, stimulation and challenge.

### *What about other cultures?*

Our curriculum reflects Te Whaariki – the New Zealand Early Childhood Curriculum – which acknowledges our bicultural heritage and introduces children to basic Te Reo. New Zealand is a multi-cultural society and our school community reflects this. Families are invited to share their own culture, language and customs.

### *What does it cost?*

While our school does attract some state funding, it is not sufficient to provide the staffing levels and resources needed for a Montessori School such as ours. Please contact us for a current schedule of fees.

### *Does the Montessori Primary Class meet the state curriculum requirements?*

The State curriculum underpins and is integrated with, Montessori curriculum, so that both Montessori and state learning outcomes and goals are implemented.



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*Education for children  
aged 2½ to 12 years*



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The New Plymouth Montessori Association provides unique opportunities in Early Childhood and Primary Education for families that are focused on providing the very best experiences for their children.

Highly qualified and competent staff, well resourced classrooms, and extensive outdoor environments have ensured a local and national reputation for Montessori schools of quality.

### What does Montessori have to offer?

Montessori recognises children's natural curiosity and desire to learn. The Montessori environment, teachers and materials, stimulate this desire and channel curiosity into an enjoyable learning experience.

Children work at their own pace and level of interest.

"When interested a child becomes self motivated. Self motivation leads to becoming self disciplined. When self disciplined, a child engages in a process of mastery learning and develops his or her potential."

*Dr Maria Montessori*

Montessori classrooms are warm and supportive communities of young people and teachers living together with respect for each other and their environment.

In these surroundings the children are free to develop independence, self-discovery and self-motivated learning within the ground rules of the social community. Montessori recognises children's need for movement and offers a multi-sensory approach catering for different learning styles (kinaesthetic, visual, auditory).



Children of mixed age groups and of different abilities work side by side in the same environment. The age groupings are 2 to 6 years at the Casa, 6 to 9 years and 9 to 12 years at the Primary.

### The Casa (pre-school)

The Casa - or children's house - for ages 2 to 6 years is situated in Dorset Ave in the heart of New Plymouth. This purpose built facility is set in 1.5 hectares of open play areas and native trees, the largest outdoor play area of any regional early childhood centre.

#### The Casa offers:

- ✿ Safe, warm and enriching learning environment
- ✿ Internationally recognised Early Childhood learning programmes
- ✿ Unique outdoor learning environment
- ✿ Broad curriculum including literacy and numeracy
- ✿ Activities based on each child's interests and stage of development
- ✿ Flexi drop off and pick up times for busy parents - from 8am to 5.15pm
- ✿ Montessori and Early Childhood qualified teachers
- ✿ An environment where respect is a core value



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### Montessori at Moturoa

#### Our Vision

*Your child at 12 will...*

- ✿ have a broad knowledge base and be intellectually, emotionally, socially and physically balanced
- ✿ display effective communication, negotiation and mediation skills
- ✿ take responsibility for his/her learning and life choices
- ✿ be a globally aware and socially responsible person
- ✿ celebrate and honour diversity

#### You are welcome to:

- visit Casa or Primary
- observe in class
- talk with the Principal
- ask as many questions as you like
- walk around the classrooms



Dorset Avenue Junior School