

Samagna Montessori

A place of learning



Our Aim:

We want our school to be a place of learning, happiness and joy. We want children to feel at home and enjoy learning without fear. We hope to give our children valuable lessons that help them become intelligent and caring human beings. We

hope to give this following Maria Montessori's philosophy.



What is Montessori?



Maria Montessori was an Italian Doctor. She was the first woman in Italy to receive a Medical degree. On observing the child she realised that she could create a life supporting environment for him. She realised that a child given the independence, will teach himself. She also believed that a child learns not only from

adults but also from children around him. She designed 'Material' to help the child learn by himself and from his peers. This is the Montessori system followed today.

Origin of the School:

Samagna Montessori was started in 1998 by Ms Uma Shankar. It began with the idea of giving children a place to call home away from home; a place where work was not different from play.



The school started off with 1 Montessori Primary environment in 1998 with 9 children. Soon the school grew and it now has 2 Primary classrooms and 1 Elementary classroom.

Uma Shankar, founder:

Ms. Uma Shankar has a Masters in Literature and a Diploma in Child Psychology. On her husband's encouragement she did the AMI Montessori training in 1993, receiving her certificate from Netherlands. She set up Samagna Montessori School, naming it after her daughter to educate her son and other children.



In the year 2009 she completed her Elementary training from AMI, Netherlands, which is when Samagna started its Montessori Elementary chapter.

Montessori Primary:

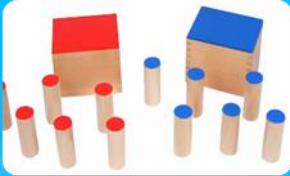
This environment is where children from 2 ½ to 6 work together. There is one teacher per class and an assistant.

Here children are exposure to activities in 4 areas:

Practical life: Children are exposed to activities that they are already familiar with in their homes. These activities prepare the children for further activities.



Sensorial: The activities under this



area are to refine a child's senses. Each sense is individually targeted and activities are given to enhance it. These are one of the most popular.

Language:

English, Hindi, Telugu are all

exposed to children at Samgna. They are given most lessons in English. Oral language is there from the beginning. Writing and reading comes after experience.



Mathematics:

Children have been gaining experience with the other areas and their Mathematical mind is developing. When they are ready. Maths is given thoroughly. No area is left out.



Montessori Elementary:

The children come into this environment when they are 6 years of age. The children of ages 6 to 12 constitute the Elementary level. Children of this age have different personalities and psyche from what they had when they were younger. They enjoy working in groups, learning about everything in the world, doing similar activities through different techniques.



Montessori Elementary education introduces learning in a non-traditional way making it interesting.

A child between 6 and 12 can be taught a lot if the method used is

appropriate.

Arts, science, Mathematics, Languages and Social Sciences all find a place in the class. There are several ways to explain concepts. Timelines, impressionistic charts, specimens and experiments are introduced from the very first day.

The journey of a Montessori elementary child is fantastic and unparalleled.



Why Is A Montessori Education, Good?

Children's basic needs are the same today as they were a 100 years ago. Just as it was earlier, Dr. Montessori's research and method works perfectly even today. It gives children an advantage by treating them as individuals. Each activity allows the child to internalise what is shown at his pace and time. The activities help the child directly and indirectly making abstract aspects visual and clear.

A child who gets a Montessori education is exposed to various aspects of art, music, culture, science and Mathematics from a very early age.

There is never a dull moment in a Montessori class. The continuous buzz of activity is evidence of that.



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