

REFLECT

Capital Montessori Our “Montessori Way of Being.” *Finalised September 11th 2013.*

We believe we are the role models of everything we want the children to be.

- Calm
- Friendly, supportive and enthusiastic.
- Careful
- Polite and Caring.
- Joyful
- Positive communicators
- Curious

“The real work of learning belongs to the child.” (Quote MJ2X).

We value and support independence in life, learning and in mastering the environment.

- We observe the children carefully and unobtrusively to gain knowledge and understanding of the child in the environment.
- We get to know the whole child through our links with the whanau.
- We believe that our understanding and supporting the family will support the child.
- We use our knowledge and understandings of the child and the family, along with our observations, to prepare an environment and guide each child towards independence in development, learning and life.
- We build warm and genuine relationships with all.
- We seek to expose and follow children’s interests in search of intrinsic motivation and optimal development.
- We believe concentration is the source of:
 - Peace
 - Empathy and caring
 - Joy
 - Intrinsic motivation
 - Creativity
 - Self regulation
 - A cohesive caring community of children.
- We value and support self chosen activity guided by intrinsic motivation.
- We entice and encourage unmotivated children into interesting activity that will develop concentration through repetition.
- We do not reward, praise or punish.
- We are friendly with error.
- We celebrate children’s joy and discoveries.
- We await, expectantly, the child who is “not yet here.”