

# NPM CHRONICLES

## WE ARE OFF TO A GREAT START!



### October Dates

#### Wednesday 10/9: Picture Day

LilyBug Hug Photography will be coming to the school for school pictures. Price list will be made available before the date.

Friday 10/11: No School  
Professional Development-Niaaeyc Conference

-Wednesday-Friday 10/15-17<sup>th</sup>: Usborne Book Fair, a table will be available in the classroom for purchase at pick-up and an online link will be made available the week before the book fair.

-Thursday 10/31:

**Halloween Bake Day**, students have voted and we will be baking goodies to hand out to our neighbors.



**Movement, friendships, and smiles! Yoga is always a classroom favorite, especially as the cold weather approaches.**

## In the Classroom

Students and teachers alike have been getting to know each other and working to make a fun and enjoyable environment. Each child has grown in their comfort in the classroom as they settle into a routine and begin showing

formation of friendships and guidance from older children or those with knowledge of the materials. We have witnessed positive growth day by day and are optimistic in seeing each individual grow physically, socially, emotionally, and



**Reading in an essential part of the Montessori curriculum. We spend time everyday reading and the Usborne books currently in our library are picked out daily.**

interest in lessons. Our group months.

size and age range is proving to support the years of Montessori research in showing an immediate schedule. She has been a great fit and was warmly welcomed by the children, even if her name is tough and “hey new teacher” is a common phrase! We appreciate her willingness to step in during sickness or scheduled absences if the need were to arise.

As we work to follow the child, the staff has discussed some needed changes regarding the afternoon transition. With a brief trial we believe the children will benefit from lunch from 11:30-12:00 and outside time to follow until 1:00/1:15. This means half day pickup will likely be held at the playground.

intellectually in the coming We were very excited to add Ms. Tailar to our afternoon We also will be implementing some Spanish language lessons and introducing cursive letters. Each are a benefit in physical and intellectual growth. Cursive writing has been proven to be a more natural beginning writing technique as the child’s pencil can continually flow on the paper.




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## PARENT COMMUNICATION

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The beginning of the school year began with an emphasis on parent communication. Staff chose the Bloomz app originally to facilitate an easier way to communicate and share pictures/information throughout the parent community. Unfortunately, the app wasn’t reliable enough, so we made the switch to Transparent Classroom. This is available in both app and web form. There is a breakdown of lessons and our observations will be notated for each child with Transparent Classroom. Take a few moments to look into the information made available about Montessori materials and day to day classroom workings in the app.

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# MEET THE TEACHER

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## MS. TAILAR

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### What I look forward to this year

I am so blessed to have the opportunity to work alongside your children! I look forward to watching them learn and grow in this wonderful learning environment. I also look forward building positive relationships with the students, parents, and the wonderful teachers here at North Pole Montessori.

### Interests

- spending time with my family
- COFFEE!
- working out
- rock music
- watching football
- going to the beach
- hiking



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## MS. DION

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### What I look forward to this year

I look forward to seeing the growth in each child as they take charge of their education. I also look forward to building lasting relationships with each student and their families.

### Interests

- spending time with my family
  - watching my kids play sports
  - hiking
  - enjoying the outdoors as much as possible
  - READING
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## MS. SHANA

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### **What I look forward to this year**

I am overjoyed with the growth and support North Pole Montessori has experienced in its first year of existence. I look forward to working with each and every student and family as we begin year number two. I enjoy the relationships formed through partnership and find such joy in seeing the growth in each child as they make their way through the program.

### **Interests**

- hockey mom
- spending time with family (deployment cannot come to a close soon enough!)
- walking
- crafting
- coffee



**Emotional development lessons have sparked some very positive group discussions in the first few weeks together in 2019.**

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## APPRECIATION

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All of us would like to extend our appreciation in helping to start this school year off so strongly. Thank you to all who have provided items from the wish list and offered great ideas such as the Box Top program. Ms. Shana would like to thank the family(s) who provided the school information to Ms. Annie from Usborne Books. The positive word of the school is making its way around the Early Childhood Education community thanks to all of you as well. Ms. Shana was asked to speak at the annual NIAA conference this year, which is an exceptional honor for such a new program/administrator! We are excited to be a part of such a phenomenal community and look forward to continuing our part in making it an even better place to be!