

# THE MONTESSORI CHILDREN'S GARDEN NURSERY



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# Founder/ Principal

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I am M. AlQubaisi,

**The founder and Principal of The Montessori Children's Garden Nursery**, a project proudly supported by the Khalifa Fund. I also serve as the **President of UAE Montessori, affiliated with the Association Montessori Internationale (AMI)** in the Netherlands. With over 11 years of experience in Early Childhood Education, I hold a CACHE Level 5 qualification. I am dedicated to helping young children grow and learn.

At The Montessori Children's Garden Nursery, we provide a nurturing environment where children can explore, play, and learn. We combine the Montessori and EYFS curriculums to offer a balanced education that encourages independence, creativity, and a love for learning.

Our nursery also focuses on language and cultural education, teaching Arabic, English, French, and Spanish. We include Islamic studies and UAE cultural lessons to help children understand and appreciate their heritage and identity.

As the founder, I am committed to creating a positive and enriching experience for every child. I look forward to working with our teachers, parents, and community to support your child's growth and development throughout the year.

Warm regards,

**M. AlQubaisi**

**Founder and Principal**

**The Montessori Children's Garden Nursery**



Dear Families,

My name is Rania Albawab, and I am the Vice Principal at The Montessori Children's Garden Nursery. I studied Accounting and Finance at the University of Sharjah and later specialized in Early Childhood Education.

I also hold a CACHE Level 5 qualification and have earned over 35 certificates in various areas related to education.

With more than two years of experience in early childhood education, I truly enjoy working with children and believe in providing a safe, caring, and fun environment where every child can learn and grow. I am also here to support both parents and staff throughout the year.

In addition to my role at the nursery, I serve as the General Secretary of the UAE Montessori Association (UMA), contributing to Montessori development, community engagement, and social responsibility initiatives. If you ever need help or have any questions, please feel free to contact me through the nursery.

Warm regards,

Rania Albawab

Vice Principal

General Secretary – UAE Montessori Association (UMA)





# Public Relations & Media Coordinator

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Dear Families,

My name is Latifa Almarzooqi,

I am the Public Relations & Media Coordinator at The Montessori  
Children's Garden Nursery.

In my role, I support the nursery's communication, media, and public  
relations activities, helping to strengthen TMC's image and engagement  
with families and the wider community.

I assist with social media content, event coverage, media coordination,  
external communications, and the promotion of the nursery's activities,  
achievements, and Montessori philosophy.

I am proud to contribute to maintaining a professional and positive  
representation of TMC across our communication channels and community  
initiatives.

Warm regards,

Latifa Almarzooqi

Public Relations & Media Coordinator



**I am Gladdish Balgoma Nyss.**

**I graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Journalism, and I bring with me over 10 years of experience in administration, accounting, and early childhood education.**

**Throughout my career, I've worked with leading nurseries in Abu Dhabi, managing office operations, accounting responsibilities, documentation, and record-keeping with professionalism and care.**

**My expertise also covers administration, accounting, marketing support, customer relations, and bookkeeping, and I am proficient in using ADEK's Early Childhood system and communication platforms.**

**What I value most is maintaining an organized, efficient, and professional nursery environment, while ensuring that administrative and financial processes are handled accurately and smoothly to support the overall success of the nursery.**



Hello, I'm Mona, and I am currently part of the Administration Team at The Montessori Children's Garden Nursery.

For the past three years, I have been part of the nursery as an Arabic and Islamic Studies Teacher, working closely with children, parents, and the nursery team. This experience has given me a strong understanding of our families' needs and the nursery environment.

Today, I am happy to bring this experience into my new administrative role, supporting parent communication, daily operations, family enquiries, and ensuring a smooth and welcoming experience for everyone.

What I value most is building strong and trusting relationships with families and making sure they always feel supported and listened to.

After three wonderful years with this team, I'm excited to continue my journey in a new role with the same goal: to support our children, our families, and our nursery community with care and professionalism.

Warm regards,



**My name is Oumaima Karim. I hold a Bachelor's degree in Life and Earth Sciences, as well as a Diploma in General Nursing.**

**I bring diverse professional experience across administration, healthcare, education, and international events. Throughout my career, I have worked in administrative roles within companies, an American school, clinics, and medical facilities, in addition to gaining valuable experience in international exhibitions and events.**

**My experience includes office administration, appointment coordination, client and parent communication, record-keeping, organization, and providing administrative support to ensure smooth day-to-day operations. My healthcare background has also strengthened my communication, professionalism, attention to detail, and ability to work effectively in fast-paced environments.**

**I am organized, responsible, and adaptable, with strong interpersonal and communication skills. I value building positive and professional relationships with colleagues, clients, parents, and families, while ensuring that daily operations are handled efficiently and with care.**

**With my combined background in administration, education, healthcare, and customer relations, I am committed to contributing to a well-organized, professional, and supportive working environment.**





# Meet the Teacher:

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## Welcome to Ajman /Ras Al Khaimah Class

I am delighted to introduce myself as the Lead Teacher for the Babies Class at The Montessori Children's Garden. My name is Rowena Baldoza Balatbat, and I feel truly privileged to be part of this wonderful community. It has been a rewarding journey so far, and I am excited to continue nurturing and guiding the youngest members of our school.

With 15 years of experience as an Operating Room Nurse, ICU Nurse, and Emergency Room Nurse, I developed strong skills in critical thinking, teamwork, and compassionate care. Along with my Master's degree in Medical-Surgical Nursing, this background has given me a deep understanding of children's physical, emotional, and developmental needs.

Before joining The Montessori Children's Garden, I spent five years as a Lead Teacher in another nursery, where I created a safe, engaging, and supportive environment for infants and toddlers. My passion lies in early childhood education, and I am committed to fostering each child's holistic growth—cognitive, physical, motor, language, social, and emotional development—while ensuring they feel valued and respected every day.

As we embark on this journey together, I look forward to working closely with you, our dedicated team, and, most importantly, your little ones.

Together, we will create joyful experiences that build the foundation for their future learning and development.



## Welcome to Fujairah Class

My name is Ms. Iqra Anwar, and I am delighted to introduce myself as part of The Montessori Children's Garden Nursery team. I feel fortunate to support your child's early learning journey during these important early years.

I hold a Bachelor's of Science in Professional Psychology and have completed the NCFE UK CACHE Level 3 qualification in Early Years. My education and experience have helped me understand children's development, individual needs and the importance of creating a safe, caring, stimulating environment.

I have experience in teaching and working within the early years sector in Abu Dhabi and in my home country. My approach is inspired by the EYFS and Montessori philosophy, focusing on play, exploration, creativity and learning experiences.

In the classroom, I enjoy planning engaging activities that encourage children to explore, communicate, think independently and build confidence. I value inclusive education, safeguarding, observation, assessment and positive communication with parents.

I believe every child is unique, and my goal is to create a warm classroom where children feel safe, respected, confident and excited to learn.

I look forward to getting to know your little ones, celebrating their milestones and building a strong partnership with you throughout the year.





## Welcome to Umm Al Quwain Class

My name is Ana, and I'm very happy to be joining The Montessori Children's Garden Nursery as a teacher.

I am originally from Albania and have been living in Abu Dhabi for the past 10 years with my family. Over the years, the UAE has truly become my second home. Being part of a family with strong Emirati roots has also brought me very close to the culture, traditions, and values of this beautiful country.

Working with young children is something very close to my heart. I love watching their personalities grow, seeing their confidence develop, and being part of all those little moments when they discover something new. My experience in Early Years includes learning through play, phonics, creative activities, and hands-on experiences, with a strong focus on independence and communication.

I am also continuing my studies in education, developing my knowledge of child development, inclusive education, and how to support the individual needs of every child.

As both a mother and a teacher, I know how important it is for parents to feel that their child is safe, happy, cared for, and understood. This is the kind of environment I hope to create in my classroom every day.

I'm genuinely excited to begin this new school year, meet our little learners, and get to know each of you. I look forward to working together and celebrating all the wonderful little milestones along the way.





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## Welcome to Sharjah Class

Hi, my name is Hannah Hanson and I'm so excited to be your child's teacher this year!

A little about me I have a background in Educational psychology, Montessori, and Special needs education and I have over 10 years of experience in the teaching field, I love working with children to help them grow, learn and discover their strengths.

In our classroom, my goal is to create a safe, caring and fun space where each child feels supported and proud of what they can do. I also believe learning is a team effort, so I look forward to working closely with you to make sure your child has the best possible experience.

I can't wait to get to know each child's personality, interests, and all the little things that make them who they are, This is going to be a wonderful year together!





# Meet the Teacher:

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## Welcome to Dubai Class

I am delighted to introduce myself as your child's early years teacher this year.

My name is Sadia Salman.

I have Montessori and Cache level 3 diploma along with more than 7 years working experience.

I am passionate about nurturing young minds and creating a positive, engaging and supportive learning environment where each child can thrive.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions, concerns or insights about your child.

I look forward to working closely with you to make this wonderful and enriching year for your child.

Thank you





# Meet the Teacher:

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## Welcome to Abu Dhabi Class

Dear Parents,

My name is Pavlina Petrova Iliopulu and I am an FS1 teacher at The Montessori Children's Garden Nursery.

I am originally from Bulgaria but I have spent many years in Greece where I got married and settled my family.

I have been living in Abu Dhabi for the last 15 years and I have enjoyed teaching little explorers for the past 8 years.

I completed my studies in my home country, holding a diploma with a major in Technology of Mechanical Engineering.

I continue developing myself in Early Childhood Education with Cache Level 3 and a Special Education Needs.

I have a passion for art, nature and animals.

I am excited about the start of the new school year and I am looking forward to working together with everyone to ensure the success and growth of our children.

My goal is to build a strong partnership with parents and colleagues to create a positive experience for all. Together we will help our little explorers reach new milestones and create memorable learning moments.



## Welcome to Falcon Class

Dear Parents and Guardians,

My name is Zeynep Masud, and I am happy to introduce myself as your child's teacher. I am originally from Turkey and have a solid background in early childhood education, with experience in Montessori-style learning environments.

I hold a Bachelor's Degree in Child Development, a Diploma in Early Childhood Care from the UK, and certifications in Montessori Education and Play Therapy, which support a hands-on, child-focused approach to learning.

The early years are a vital stage of growth, and I am dedicated to providing a safe, caring, and stimulating environment where children feel secure and motivated to learn. I value clear communication and look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child's development.

Thank you for your trust. I look forward to a positive and successful year together.

Kind regards,  
Zeynep Masud





# Meet the Teacher:

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## FRENCH TEACHER

My name is Hafida Sara TLIBAT, and I am a state engineer in environment and ecology.

Alongside my studies, I was a champion in weightlifting and volleyball.

I also completed a training in French as a Foreign Language (FLE) in France, and because of my passion for teaching French, I earned my CACHE Level 3 certification.

I am very enthusiastic about working with children and am committed to helping them progress.

I am confident that I can contribute to ensuring that parents are satisfied and convinced that their children are in the right place, having made the best choice for their education.



## معلمة اللغة العربية / التربية الإسلامية

أنا شيماء عبدالمنعم محمد مرسى، معلمة ومشرفة تربوية أمتلك خبرة تزيد عن 10 سنوات في مجال التعليم والتعامل مع الأطفال، وخاصة في مرحلة الطفولة المبكرة والحضانات.

حاصلة على دبلوم تأهيل تربوي، وبكالوريوس آداب قسم الفلسفة، ولدي خبرة عملية متنوعة في مجال الحضانات والتعليم والإشراف التربوي.

لدي خبرة في تقييم الأطفال ومتابعة احتياجاتهم الفردية، ومراعاة الفروق الفردية بينهم.

أحرص على استخدام أساليب إبداعية وتفاعلية في التعليم من خلال اللعب والأنشطة والحركة والاستكشاف، حتى يكون التعلم ممتعاً وفعالاً للطفل.

أهتم بتنمية شخصية الطفل إلى جانب التعلم الأكاديمي، من خلال تعزيز الثقة بالنفس، والاستقلالية، والتواصل، والتعبير عن الأفكار والمشاعر.

رسالتي:

أؤمن أن مرحلة الطفولة هي الأساس الذي تُبنى عليه شخصية الطفل، لذلك أحرص على أن يشعر كل طفل بالأمان والحب والاهتمام، وأن أساعده على التعلم واكتشاف قدراته بطريقة ممتعة وإبداعية.

هدفي :

أن يكون كل يوم للطفل فرصة جديدة للتعلم، والاكتشاف، والتعبير عن نفسه، وبناء ثقته بنفسه.

أؤمن بأهمية التعاون مع أولياء الأمور ومشاركتهم في متابعة تطور الطفل ومستواه التعليمي والسلوكي.



## Extra Curriculum Activities:

- **Ballet and Balance:** Every Tuesday, starting from age 1.
- **Football:** Every Thursday, starting from age 1.

Please note that all these sessions are paid activities. For more information, contact us at 052-747-8888.





# Stay Connected with us

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## Stay Connected with The Montessori Children's Garden Nursery on Social Media!

*At The Montessori Children's Garden Nursery, we believe in keeping you informed and engaged in your child's early learning journey. To stay connected with us and enjoy a glimpse into the wonderful activities happening at our nursery, we invite you to follow us on our various social media platforms:*



**The Montessori Children's Garden**

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