Hello Parents,

We are very excited to start off the 2019-2020 school year in the Maple Room. Ms. L and I will be working together over the summer to prepare the classroom so that it is ready!

This summer, I enjoyed my time teaching Practical Life to adult learners at Montgomery Montessori Institute. It is always so much fun to me to re-read, practice and discuss the writings of Maria Montessori and discuss all the reasons Practical Life is so important to a young child. I spent some time going to my home state of Minnesota and visiting all of my family. This time the trip was much more exciting because my husband and I were able to share the news that we are expecting a BABY GIRL! We are very excited and have been wanting this big change for our little family for a long time.

Ms. L (Laura) spent the summer in residency for her Early Childhood Montessori Teacher Certification. Her instructor was Mary Ellen Maunz, who was taught by a protégé of Maria Montessori herself. Bozeman, Montana proved to be a gorgeous location for her studies. In her leisure time, she had her first visit to Yellowstone National Park, "encountered" 900 lb. Brutus the bear at Grizzly Bear Encounters and hiked beautiful, local trails.

We would like to share that we are striving to create a space for open, dynamic collaboration with your family throughout the school year. Please know that we intend on sharing pictures of your child, videos of our work time and occasionally, resources for home via MemberHub. Please contact us via email with any questions, thoughts, or just to check-in. We will respond as soon as time allows. We are more than happy to set up a phone call or time to meet and discuss anything that comes up for you.

We are truly thrilled and honored to guide your children in developing themselves over the 2019/2020 school year! Enjoy the rest of your summer, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Best,

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