



Ms. Emily

Lead Guide in Toddler Garden

About Me

Emily, who is originally from Cleveland, Ohio, USA earned her degree in Sociology from Loyola University in Chicago. After graduation, Ms. Emily taught for a year at an Early Childhood Education school where she spent her time in the infant classroom as an assistant teacher, with children between the ages of 6 weeks to 15 months. The school followed mostly Montessori practices, which is where she found her passion for teaching in a true Montessori setting. She also has various experiences working with children such as counseling at a day-camp where the children played soccer and babysitting in her teenage years. Ms. Emily believes in creating a safe and nurturing environment where children feel comfortable, and feels that this helps support independence. She herself went to Montessori school in her early years and can see how the education she received still helps her today. Ms. Emily has been with MSC now since January 2024 working in the toddler environment, which she absolutely loves. In her free time, Ms. Emily enjoys reading, spending time with friends and family, and playing video games!

Fun Facts

- * My family is Scadinavian & our original last name is Bengtsson
- * I love bugs!
- * My favourite colour is orange

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"The job of an educator is to teach students to see vitality in themselves" -Joseph Campbell





Ms. Taylor

Assistant in Toddler Garden

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Ms. Taylor is a British native who was raised in Portugal and relocated to the Cayman Islands in 2018. She is currently pursuing a degree in Early Childhood Education after graduating from Cayman International School. Upon completing her degree, Ms. Taylor aspires to further her education with a master's degree in Speech and Language Therapy. With extensive experience working with children aged 3 months to 10 years, Ms. Taylor has developed a deep passion for early childhood development. She volunteered as the lead swim instructor for two years, where she taught children of all ages and abilities, further solidifying her dedication to working closely with children, especially ones who display learning differences. Ms. Taylor has always envisioned a career centered around nurturing and supporting children's growth. She believes that children thrive in environments where they have a voice in their learning process, fostering independence, resilience, and self-worth. This belief led her to choose a Montessori school, where she continues to be committed to creating empowering educational experiences for every child.

Fun Facts

- * I love Italian food.
- ***** I swam competitively for 7 years.
- * I have 2 dogs, 1 of which has 3 legs!

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"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn."





Ms. Nonnie

Assistant in Toddler Garden

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Born and raised in South Africa, Maretha ("Nonnie") has had a lifelong passion for horses. She began riding at the age of five and actively competed in both Showing and Graded Jumping shows. Alongside her love for horses, she's always had a deep affection for working with children. After finishing school, she pursued a career as a horse riding instructor, combining the best of both worlds—teaching both kids and adults to develop new skills and grow into the best versions of themselves.

After many fulfilling years in the equestrian world, Maretha made the decision to keep horse riding as a hobby and to follow her calling as a full-time teacher. Being a daily role model to young minds and helping them grow inspires her to continuously strive to be the best version of herself. The joy she feels when seeing the smiles on children's faces as they achieve something new is what truly fills her heart with happiness.

Fun Facts

- 🗶 I am a qualified open water scuba diver
- * My favourite food is seafood
- **★** Growing up we had 4 meerkats living in the house

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"You cannot always be the best, but you can do your best" - Sebastian Vettel