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| Welcome to another year in the studio! As always, Amy and I are eager to learn and work alongside each of you and your children.The Studio is an open-ended environment, designed to facilitate supportive social learning, creative expression and emergent thinking. We approach learning as research and our research questions inform the year’s study.  Please join us in pondering this years’ studio questions:* How might we explore the art of not-knowing, mistake-making and risk-taking alongside young children?
* How can creative expression serve to deepen relationships and community?
* What’s the role of playful curiosity in the learning process and how might we continue to nurture it?

This year we will be taking a deep dive media exploration into light and shadow and are looking forward to how this will unfold in the months ahead!Tune into the studio blog: (<https://natureandchild.blogspot.com>) for weekly updates and please plan to participate in our upcoming *Studio Information Night* on October 10th , our, *Curator’s Talk* on April 30th and the *Celebration of Art* on May 7th to learn about our year with the children.Now for some general housekeeping:* The creative process and the materials your child will have opportunities to work with can be **messy**. Smocks are worn in the studio but please don't send them in their brightest, whitest attire. Their clothing may not return home in the same manner.
* If you haven’t already, we encourage you to bookmark the **studio blog**. [www.natureandchild.blogspot.com](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PGduvQ0AYyDldIN0lXwgwF3yP-Br5kUasqAUiDuWCjIpotmw0qK2u4lILvgBScxPCuQmC89HOtYHXD3eGwxXhkgAOrArdWvm1FCnSoSk1DVvMpP3ge6Li7aMH7fwSETKwyeBKe93xe0TiUHWVX7R6cgLewKhEoT9FM3wKykwXCY=&c=826gU0u_IcA27SUU5RNV-yf6qCgxvmZ1c_XIdk_HC0Z29qKJoJh6HQ==&ch=G-llTjw7CI6-Z35dxiVisK2Z9cQBPMaDsDkn6squ8ZSvFxDLRVYaJg==). It is a wonderful way to be informed about your child’s daily studio experience throughout the year.
* Also, consider liking Children’s Garden Montessori School on Facebook and Instagram. They are useful tools for receiving news, updates and links as the year goes by.

On another note, the studio is a wonderful place to join together as a community in support of the children. If you are interested in collaborating with us around cultural topics, cooking, festivals, interests, travel experiences and more PLEASE don’t hesitate to contact us.  We look forward to seeing and meeting all of you! |

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