

FRENCH MONTESSORI SCHOOL IS LOOKING FOR A 6 TO 12 YEARS OLD CHILDREN'S GUIDE

For this coming September 2019, we are recruiting a 6 to 12 years old children's Montessori guide with AMI certified diploma and, most of all, with the same state of mind as us.

Our team is now composed as following :

- 1 AMI 3 to 6 years old children French guide,
- 1 AMI 3 to 6 years old children English assistant,
- 1 AMI 6-12 years old children French guide,
- 1 AMI 6 to 12 years old children Australian assistant,
- 2 multi-tasks founders and directors (also trained as AMI 3 to 6 years old assistant) : us, Yann and Audrey.

For personal reasons, our 6-12 French guide has to move away and will have to leave our school before September. That is the reason why we are recruiting. Obviously, the person who will join our team need to speak French fluently.

As you might have understood, respecting the original Montessori's pedagogy is very important to us. That's the reason why we are construing a highly qualified team. In the same way, we have chosen Nienhuis as pedagogical material.

Our school is in Southwestern France. It is located in a small village named Lougratte, in Lot-et-Garonne which is about 30 minutes South from Bergerac. There, we bought and reformed an old fine manor house ("maison de maitre") which had been built in 1834. We now have two classrooms : the 3 to 6 years old children opened in March 2017 and the 6 to 12 years old opened since September 2018.

The school has a 140 000 square feet garden where we designed a large green space for the children. There they can work in the kitchen garden (grown with permaculture technic), play or observe mother nature by themselves or with the school's animals : 1 cat, 3 chickens, 2 pygmees' goat and 1 donkey.

We chose to create our Montessori school in the French countryside for the following reasons :

- to revitalize a small village in a poor economical area (parents move from where they live according to where Montessori' school are),
- to show the children that it is possible to use existing things (instead of creating new ones) and to succeed in doing wonderful things with it going against the flow, (19th century house and all furniture 2nd hand),
- to allow the children to be as often as possible in contact with Mother nature which was so important for Maria Montessori. Unlike the majority of Montessori's schools, we decided to create ours in the countryside

instead of in a city. We know that it is more difficult to find children there or to have city's children to come here but we are convinced that, for a better future, it is fundamental to connect the children to nature so as to explore and get to know it better. To do so, we invite the children to experiment ecology within the school and its outdoors and we request our team to, as much as possible, find ecological solutions in every day life.

Our school is in the heart of a global project oriented towards a future more respectful of nature whether human, animal or plant. That's the reason why it is important that people who will join us in this adventure have the same priorities or feeling towards mother nature.

If you feel that you want to be part of this project or if you have any questions to ask, we strongly encourage you to contact us so as to talk about it. You can find some pictures of the school and the outdoors on our website : www.centre-les-loupiots.fr (choose the english version).

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We are looking forward to meeting you.

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