

August 25, 2025

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new school year! We are so glad to welcome back our returning Ladybugs. It's wonderful to see familiar smiles again and we're equally excited to meet the new children who will be joining our Ladybug classroom. We can't wait to learn, play, and grow together this academic school year!

My name is Ms. Emily, and this is my third year here at Oneonta Montessori. This year is especially exciting for me as it is my first year as lead teacher in the Ladybug classroom. I started my journey here as an assistant in the preschool classroom and later moved up to assist in pre-kindergarten. I majored in Child Development at Cal State LA. I am also completing my Montessori training certification through the North American Montessori Center, which has been a wonderful opportunity to deepen my knowledge and passion for guiding children in their growth and development. I am eager to begin this new school year together and look forward to all the learning, laughter, and discoveries ahead in our Ladybug classroom.

I am happy to share that Ms. Brenda will be joining me in the Ladybug classroom this year. She began her journey at Oneonta Montessori this summer and is currently completing her bachelor's in child development at Cal State LA. In her free time, she enjoys hiking and reading books. Ms. Brenda has always had a heart for working with children. She too is looking forward to working with your little ones.

In our preschool class, children will have the opportunity to learn and grow in an environment that nurtures the child in all areas of development (i.e., social, emotional, physical, and cognitive). Through engaging activities, they will develop important skills while building independence, curiosity, and a love of learning.

For our classroom to run smoothly, it is imperative that everyone adheres to all the guidelines and school policies, without exception. One extremely important rule is that all children be inside their classrooms before 9:00 a.m., as per advice from the Alhambra Police Dept so please make sure to abide by this rule. It will take time for everyone to adjust, but it will be in the best interest of all, especially children. Also, please help your child make a smooth transition into this new and exhilarating world of knowledge and friendship by opening a good line of communication with us. The best way to reach me is via email at emily@oneontamontessori.com or via our school DOJO app.

Thank you for this wonderful opportunity to guide and nurture your child.

Sincerely,

Ms. Emily