

## Important Notice

We remind you to respect the arrival (9am) and departure times (12pm & 3:30pm). Please respect your child's independence by dropping them off at the door (we will help them if needed with changing shoes).

We are happy to allow your child and siblings to play in our yard after you have arrived to collect them. Please remember that from the moment you arrive, your child and siblings are your responsibility. It is important that you also enforce the same rules as we do on the playground to ensure fairness and consistency.

**Before leaving the playground area please ensure that your child has picked up one or two toys.**

Please read and discuss these rules with your children.

- 1- We sit down to have snack
- 2- Sport games are allowed between in the grass area in front of the shed( left area )
- 3- We slide down slides ( no climbing ), feet first and one at a time.
- 4- The balance beam stays off of play structures and play house.
- 5- Trucks stay in the sand box and are not meant for banging in each other. They are not allowed on the grass, play structure or play house.
- 6- The sand stays low in the sand box and not on the grass.
- 7- No playing under the bridge or climbing on its railings.
- 8- We do not climb through the "window" of the play house.
- 9- We can climb up the play structure, the grey tunnel and the tire but we do not jump off the play structure. From grey tunnel and tire you can jump down from a sitting position.
- 10-Avoid games that could injure ( wrestling, tackling.....)
- 11-Do not play under the blue arch climber.
- 12-Do not climb on top of the yellow tunnel in the play structure.
- 13-Children wait for the note on the door to go outside
- 14-We walk around the flower bed
- 15-We walk on the pavement
- 16-Adults only can open and close the shed and take out the big container of sand toys
- 17-Shed is for storing toys not to play inside
- 18-Do not play or put sand under the trees
- 19-Do not pull leaves from trees and vines
- 20- Big bolder rocks are for sitting

## Zero tolerance for violence

Preschool children occasionally push, grab or hit others when they are upset or frustrated. They do not always have the words or skills needed to handle a situation or express themselves appropriately. Aggressive behaviour however is not acceptable and will not be tolerated. We ask for your cooperation in teaching children to use other means to resolve conflicts. These alternatives include: talking ( using words ), getting an adult to help, walking away from the situation.....

Our school will not tolerate any violence. If your child is involve in a violent conflict with another child, we ask that if you are present, please remove your child from the play ground immediately. Reassure him /her that they can try again the next day.

In your absence, we will remove the child for the play period. We will advise you upon your arrival. If the behaviour continues, other measures will be taken: loosing outside play time privilege, staying home for a day.....

Please help us to ensure that our playground and school are safe and happy places to be.

Thank you from the staff and children of Orleans Montessori.