Montessori Oaks' Infant Music Curriculum

Ages 6 weeks to 12 Months

Overview:
In the Montessori view, music is like language; it is an aspect of human expression integrated into daily life. From birth, children delight in and respond to music. Often this delight is expressed through movement. The practical life exercises build foundation skills in whole-body and fine motor control of movement and hand-eye coordination children can use to participate more effectively in musical activities and exercises.

In Infant Communities music and movement are integrated with activities that include:

- listening activities in which children move to music
- playing simple percussion instruments
- sense exercises in auditory discrimination
- games involving singing and movement.

Resources include:

- rattles
- balls with a rattle inside
- percussion instruments
- sounds in the environment
- bells and music bars