



# The Montessori Bridge

The Montessori Bridge is part of the St Nicholas Montessori group of schools and Third level College.

Maria Montessori's philosophy  
"An education capable of saving humanity is no small undertaking: it involves the spiritual development of man, the enhancement of his value as an individual and the preparation of young people to times in which they live"

The Montessori Bridge is a novel and unique way to support adolescents in their transition to young adulthood.



Would your child benefit from  
a year to mature  
before secondary school?

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# A Bridging Year for 11-13 year olds

School Admission  
Period 2023-2024





## Montessori 3rd plane of Development

- Great changes in the physical body as the child experiences puberty
- A need for independence from the family unit, while also requiring support
- Strong and varied emotional experiences
- A need for experiential learning
- Refining of moral perspective
- Drive to discover their place in the community
- Drive to find purpose through meaningful activity



## Why Choose Us

- St Nicholas Montessori has been at the forefront of training Montessori teachers and delivering Montessori education for over 50 years.
- Caring and professional staff
- Identified the need for a post primary education program in the Montessori ethos
- Collaboration with International Montessori middle schools to devise a program to meet the needs of today's adolescents.
- Teaching transferable 21st century skills

### The Montessori Bridge Mission

- Press pause on pressure
- Take time out to reset
- Reflect on what inspires you
- Learn to handle big emotions
- Become more independent



Taking place over a year of fun, friendship and personal growth



## Our Facilities

### • Group Activities

The drive to find purpose by meaningful activity will be explored through growing and producing food, music and creativity and developing the entrepreneurial skills required in the marketing and selling of goods, that the students themselves will produce.

### • Smart Technology

The times in which this generation live, offers them the opportunity to use online marketing effectively. The group will be guided through the intricacies of using the internet for this purpose in a safe and effective manner.

### • The School Day

Will be guided by Montessori's philosophy 'Freedom within limits'.

The limits will be dictated by the responsibilities of each individual to the group and the freedom will be the opportunity to pursue and enjoy their interests and to take time for rest and reflection.



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