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Community Newsletter

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Celebrating One Year of Circles & Cycles: A Message from the Founder

Dear Circles & Cycles Family,

As I sit down to reflect on the incredible journey we've had in our first year, I am filled with a deep sense of pride and gratitude. When we opened the doors to Circles & Cycles, we had a vision—a dream to create a place where children could feel the happiest, families could feel supported, and facilitators could thrive in an environment of openness and joy. Today, as we celebrate our 1st anniversary, I can proudly say that we have stayed true to that vision.

Circles & Cycles has grown in ways I could never have imagined, and at the heart of this growth are the values that we hold dear: authenticity, connection, and care. From day one, we committed ourselves to aligning with the Reggio Emilia philosophy with sincerity, ensuring that our learning environment remains a place where every child's potential, curiosity, and individuality are honored. Our approach to documentation, regular parent-teacher conferences, and open communication with families has been key in building lasting relationships based on trust and mutual respect.

As we look forward, we promise that Circles & Cycles will only continue to get stronger. Our mission is to be the happiest preschool—a home away from home, where children and families feel safe, valued, and heard. Every child who walks through our doors is met with warmth and understanding, and every day we strive to build a memory bank of joy, security, and hope that will stay with them throughout their lives. We know that these early experiences are the building blocks of confidence and optimism for the future, and we are honored to play a role in shaping that foundation.

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Our core strength lies in our authentic practice. We are constantly evolving, with our facilitators meeting daily with our pedagogista to deepen their understanding of Reggio and refine their classroom provocations. Every observation, every child's expression, becomes part of a story we tell together, as we aim to serve each child in the best possible way. This attention to detail ensures that Circles & Cycles remains a space where every child is seen, every voice is heard, and every family is embraced as part of our community.

What truly sets us apart is the culture of openness and collaboration. Here, hierarchy does not define us. Our facilitators are encouraged to share their thoughts and ideas without fear, creating a sense of camaraderie and shared purpose. This extends to our relationship with parents, where every grievance is seen as an opportunity for improvement, and every offering is welcomed and considered. We value this partnership with you because it helps us continuously strive for excellence.

As we enter our second year, I am deeply moved to see how Circles & Cycles has become a benchmark in early years education in our community. Other schools and educators are eager to learn from us, and that is a testament to the wonderful environment we have built together.

I always dreamed of creating a joyful place, a small utopia where children could play, learn, and grow, where families could find laughter, and where facilitators could find joy in their work. I believe we are making that dream a reality. Our mission is to give the sweetest memories to our children because those memories will serve as the hope, strength, and resilience they need as they navigate life ahead.

Thank you for being part of this incredible journey. Together, we will continue to grow, learn, and make Circles & Cycles a place of endless possibilities for every child and family.

With gratitude and love,
Naama Singh
Founder, Circles & Cycles

Letter from our Instructional Coach

Dear Parents,

It is our pleasure to introduce Arpita Chhatre as our new Operations Manager at Circles & Cycles. Many of you may have already had the opportunity to meet her over the past six weeks as she has been familiarizing herself with our community. Arpita brings with her a wealth of experience in managing preschools and play areas, and she has a true passion for creating memorable events and curating engaging workshops.

Currently, Arpita is spearheading the coordination of our much-anticipated Halloween Party and we're excited for the energy she brings to this event and beyond. In her role as Operations Manager, she will oversee key areas including the admissions process, the After School Program and Memberships, and our holiday camps, ensuring that every aspect runs smoothly and is full of fun.

Please join us in giving Arpita a warm welcome to our community! With her on board, we're confident that Circles & Cycles will be buzzing with excitement and new opportunities for learning and joy.

Warm Wishes,
Bindiya

ITS OUR BIRTHDAY!

Thank you for your collaboration and trust in us throughout this incredible year at Circles & Cycles. We truly appreciate all your support and feedback, which has helped us grow together. We look forward to celebrating more milestones and expanding our community even further.



OUR PARTNERSHIPS WITH PARENTS

Partnering with parents in preschool is essential for building a community of trust and safety. Establishing strong parent-facilitator relationships promotes open communication and mutual support, both of which are vital for a child's well-being and learning.

We encourage our parents to feel connected to Circles & Cycles (C&C), through consistent communication, such as daily documentation, documentation panels, reflective parent conversations and Parent-Teacher Conferences. This invites parents to feel included and engaged in their child's education and foster a sense of security and trust. Opportunities such as Parent Coffee mornings create informal spaces for parents, facilitators and specialists to connect, strengthening the community as a whole.

This week we would like to celebrate two testimonials shared by two of our C&C families; both from the Preschool class. It is touching moments such as these which drives us to continue to offer intentional and meaningful learning experiences which we feel all children need and deserve.

Written by:

Ms. Angela Mee Lee

Parent Testimonials

"As a parent, finding a place where your child is safe and nurtured is priceless, and Circles and Cycles has been exactly that for us. From the moment we stepped in, the warmth and professionalism of the faculty stood out. Every teacher and staff member here is not only welcoming but deeply knowledgeable about what they do.

One of the things I cherish most is the daily documentation I receive about my two-year-old. It has truly become the highlight of my day. Seeing his progress, reading about the small yet significant milestones he achieves, and knowing that the teachers are paying such close attention to every detail is heartwarming beyond words.

I cannot express how much joy and reassurance it brings me, knowing that my child is in such a safe, caring, and thoughtful environment. I wholeheartedly recommend Circles and Cycles to every parent who wants the best for their child. The dedication, warmth, and commitment of the school are commendable, and I believe every family should have the chance to experience it."

Thank you once again 😊

Luv and luck

Jamini and Ashok Sobhani (parents of Yuvi)



- **How has C&C suited your children's needs?**

The way Shazain settled in was amazing, the facilitators were so flexible and compassionate towards him they made sure he was comfortable & he settled in so well in just a couple of days. And this comes from parents who did not have a great experience with his previous school, Shazain couldn't have a better environment anywhere else.

- **What have you noticed about your children since they have joined?**

We have seen great changes in him, the way he has opened up so beautifully, we are happy he's learning so much every day from all the activities happening that's helping him grow in so many ways.

- **What do you think your child enjoys about C&C?**

The fact that there's a beautiful outdoor space and an equally lovely set up inside and the facilitators who are doing a fantastic job making sure every child is looked after.

- **What do you as a parent enjoy about C&C?**

Our child wants to go to school even on a Sunday is enough for us to know he's in good hands ! We love the fact that we're updated about his progress with daily documentations on our email and on our school WhatsApp group. We look forward to his videos and picture sent to us every day.

- **Why might you recommend C&C?**

It feels like home ! It's the perfect play and learn concept & it has been incorporated so well by C & C. The entire team is so invested in what they are doing and that's exactly what we as parents need.

Thank you Naama, Angela, Bindiya, Miss Marissa, Malvika and Karyn for all you do.

Warm Regards,
Saba and Zaki (parents of Shazain)



WELCOMING NEW FACES TO THE CIRCLES & CYCLES FAMILY



Sara Ellen D'Souza

Music Therapy Practitioner | @sara_ellen_d

*Joined Circles & Cycles, enriching our Circle Time
for Parent-Toddler & Preschool*



Arpita Chhatre

Operations Manager | Circle & Cycles

*Joined Circles & Cycles, creating memorable
events and curating engaging workshops*

UPCOMING EVENT



HALLOWEEN PARTY



OCT 19 TH | 4.30 PM
AGE GROUP : 6 MONTHS - 12 YEARS

★
Rs.1500/- : 1 child + 1 adult
Rs.900/- : Early Bird Discount
Extra Adult : Rs.200/- additionally

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Join the Party!



Noor enjoying the moving balloons



Outdoor Circle Times are so much fun



Veer helping Victoria to fill up the fuel of the car.



Outdoor snacking is more fun!



Just Todder's Circle Time



Sakura enjoying the sensorial rice



Cozying up for CircleTime at Preschool



Look up!



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