



# CULTURAL CURRICULUM

*The indirect aims of the Montessori cultural curriculum is to help the child develop his own personality, adapt to his own culture and become an independent, useful member of his society. Montessori cultural materials provide individual activities which help the child to acquire knowledge in the areas of biology, botany, zoology, geography, history and science.*

**“Let us give the child a vision of the whole universe ... for all things are part of the universe and are connected with each other to form one unity.”**

*Dr Montessori*

*Maria Montessori taught what she called the “cosmic curriculum”. She believed that the child would feel grounded by the knowledge of exactly where they belong in the universe. By learning about the universe, the solar system, the earth and everything on it, all learning becomes relevant. The child gains acceptance of ideas and traditions that are different from his own by becoming aware of lifestyles and geographic locations of other cultures.*

