



Makom Lahlom (A Place to Dream) was founded in September 2018 by a group of educators and parents in search of an alternative for of education. We aim to see each and every child as an individual, developing each child's inner world and personality.

In one year, we have grown exponentially from 20 children to 45 children, with demand of over 250 families from all over Israel.

## OUR VISION

Growing a new generation of happy, authentic, virtuous and curios children through home-feel-like education.

## OUR MISSION

Connection is a core human need, it is the experience of feeling close and connected to ourselves, to others and to our surroundings. Developing this connection is our educational commitment and mission.

Striving to be more than a Montessori school, our main principals are:

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### Values-Centered Approach

The Good in Mankind

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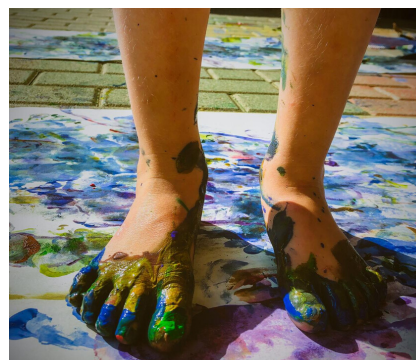
### Inclusive & Accessible

10 % of the children in our school have special needs

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### Montessori Innovation

Expanding Montessori to new knowledge fields. Learning through research.



# OUR FUTURE PLANS

## 1

### **A permanent school for our growing community**

We are currently operating in a temporary, municipality-owned, facility, which will not be available next year.

We are searching for a long term solution; a unique facility that will reflect our values and core principals.

Budget: ~ \$5 Million



## 2

### **Unique pedagogical programs**

The Good in mankind and "Merhav Mashmout" which support kids through their emotional development

Montessori for children with special needs

Forest school and water sustainability

Cooking and nutrition program whereby children learn the entire chain of food "farm-to-table"

Budget for each program: ~ \$50,000



## 3

### **Scholarships Fund**

In order to realise our value of inclusiveness we must allow and support children from all socioeconomic layers to join our school

In the school year 2019/20, with the help of generous donors, we decreased school tuition fees but there is more to be done.

Budget: \$5,000 per year per child



# OUR TEAM OF DREAMERS



## **Natalie Terebilo**

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An award-winning film maker who also ran learning centers for youth at-risk. When her own children were born, she realized that education is a top priority and that schools should be a second home for children.

She is the visionary and founder of Makom Lahlom and currently serves as the general manager of the school.



## **Ilana Ben-Ari**

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Ilana has 43 years of professional experience in education. In her last role she managed a special education school. Ilana was the first to Join Natalie to the journey of establishing Makom Lahlom and currently serves as pedagogical director and educational consultant.



## **Avital Gutman-Somjen**

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An ex-banker and mother of Yonatan; 7 years old with Autism who has been thriving in Montessori school in Ireland since diagnosed. Moving back to Israel and knowing the miracles of Montessori for Yonatan, she teamed up with Natalie and Ilana and currently serves as the Chairman of the Executive Committee and Finance Director.



**We perceive each and every child as a seed we're obliged to water, nourish and encourage to grow**

**THANK YOU! תודה רבה**

Thank you for considering supporting us, We are here for any question you may have,



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