

# Charlie Dixon



1. **What would you say were the key benefits of a Montessori education compared to other early year settings?**
  - a. *The Montessori environment allows the child to build confidence, concentration skills and a sense of responsibility, for themselves and for the world around. The child receives a well-rounded education in which information and learning processes slowly build upon one another, creating an in-depth understanding of each concept taught.*
2. **How did you hear about Montessori?**
  - a. *I went to a Montessori school as a child.*
3. **Why did you decide to train to be a Montessori teacher?**
  - a. *To make a difference in our world by guiding children at a young age.*
4. **What does the course entail?**
  - a. *The course allows you to explore the materials as both a teacher and a child. You will also gain a full understanding of the Montessori philosophy and can really see what a difference it can make, both in the classroom and out. It promotes self-discovery and dedication.*
5. **What qualifications do you receive and what are your career options?**
  - a. *Certification as a Montessori lead teacher to teach at the age level of 2 ½ to 6. You can also go on to get a Masters Degree to teach at Public Schools.*
6. **Can you get funding for the course?**
  - a. *Yes.*
7. **What did you do before you got into Montessori?**
  - a. *I was a college student trying to find my path.*
8. **And finally...a word of advice for people considering a career change and thinking about working in childcare?**
  - a. *You need to be dedicated, disciplined and patient, but it is a very rewarding career in which every day truly makes a difference in a child's life.*