



Playroom Architect Introduces Evidence-Informed Montessori Playroom Setup Framework for Parents

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Playroom Architect has published a practical, evidence-informed resource that helps parents translate Montessori principles into real-world playroom decisions. The new framework, authored by company founder Oded Feigin, moves beyond the popular image of the Montessori playroom as a minimalist decorating style and instead treats the space as a prepared environment structured to make play more accessible, orderly, calm, and increasingly independent for the child.

The framework centers on Playroom Architect's Montessori Playroom Setup Guide, which organizes the process around six practical dimensions: room layout and zones, open-shelf display, storage and toy rotation, age-stage adaptation, furniture and environment, and daily reset. Rather than focusing on furniture that simply looks Montessori, the guide explains why each design decision matters and how parents can implement it within any room size or budget.

Central to the approach is designing around a child's height, reach, and ability to select and return activities

without adult help. Low open shelving, defined activity zones, and clear floor space take priority over rooms filled with bulky storage furniture. The resource also draws on research indicating that toddlers play longer and more creatively when fewer toys are visible, which supports the practice of displaying a limited, intentional selection rather than an entire collection at once.

These ideas are detailed further in Playroom Architect's Montessori Playroom Design Principles, a companion resource outlining ten principles including child-scale furniture, visual order, natural materials, open floor space, and designing for an easy daily reset. The principles are intended to adapt as children grow, in contrast to static, image-driven room concepts that cannot evolve with a developing child.

Safety is integrated into the planning process rather than treated as an afterthought. According to figures cited in the materials, furniture tip-overs send an average of 17,800 people to emergency departments each year in the United States, with 44 percent of those injuries involving children under 18. To address this, Playroom Architect's Montessori Playroom Storage Guide describes a two-layer storage system: a small, organized visible activity selection for the child paired with concealed back-stock that adults manage for toy rotation, with wall anchoring built into every stage of the plan.

"The goal isn't to make a playroom look Montessori, it's to design an environment children can actually navigate, use and reset more independently," said Oded Feigin of Playroom Architect. "When shelves are at the right height, activities are limited and everything has a fixed home, children begin to choose, use and return materials on their own."

Feigin added that the framework is meant to close the gap between child-development theory and practical interior planning. "Many parents understand the philosophy but struggle with the day-to-day decisions," he said. "This resource focuses on the specific choices that determine whether a room works in daily life."

Playroom Architect provides expert-led guidance and resources for parents designing safe, functional, and developmentally supportive indoor play spaces for children. Founded by Oded Feigin, whose background spans engineering, production, and residential construction, the company takes an engineering-first approach organized around topic hubs covering layout, safety, developmental zoning, and storage logic.

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