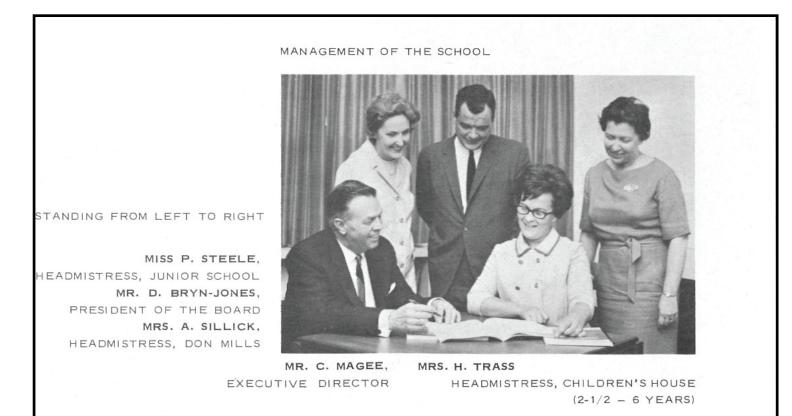
# First Montessori School in Ontario Helma Trass and Toronto Montessori Schools - 1961

TMS School (originally Toronto Montessori Schools) was founded in 1961 by Mrs. Helma Trass with an initial enrolment of 12 students.

In 1961, Toronto Montessori Schools was incorporated as a non-denominational, non-profit, educational organization.

TMS moved in 1964 to Richmond Hill and opened the Bayview Campus with two Children's House classes and one Lower Elementary class. Mr. William Davis, the Minister of Education, officially opened the Richmond Hill Campus.

In 1971, Toronto Montessori Institute (TMI), TMS teacher training institute opened at Victoria College at the University of Toronto. Officially opened by Mr. Mario Montessori and Mrs. Ada Montessori, the institute relocated to Richmond Hill in 1980.





In 2009, the new Elgin Mills Campus opened for Grades 7-10 (IB Middle Years Programme) and Grades 11-12 (IB Diploma Programme)

In 2011, TMS celebrated its 50 years of excellence in education.

From these modest beginnings, TMS is now internationally recognized and has grown to an enrolment of well over 700 students with a flagship Montessori school for students from age 18 months to Grade 6 (a Toddler Program, a Children's House Program and an Elementary Program). It is an integral lab school for the globally recognized teacher training facility, Toronto Montessori Institute (TMI) and has an International Baccalaureate World School for students from Grade 7 to Grade 12 located at the Elgin Mills Campus. TMS rebranded in 2012

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# 1<sup>st</sup> Graduating Class of TMS



## **Toronto Montessori Schools - 1964**



Helma Trass & William Davis, the Minister of Education, 1964 Official Opening of TMS in Richmond Hill



#### and continues its commitment to excellence.

MRS. J. BOCIAN WITH HER ORFF MUSIC CLASS





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### **Mario Montessori Opens TMI**