



## **Ms. Heather**

Hi! I'm Heather Burke. I'm the lead in the Pre-Todds room and I love my job! Children are amazing and it's always excited to see what they will learn next. To ensure that I am doing what I can to help my young friends grow and develop to the best of my ability, I have returned to school to learn more about early childhood development. My goal is to complete an Associate in Technical Arts in the field by the end of 2017.

I took a strange road to get back to working with kids, after a 20 year hiatus. I worked in the software industry for about 15 years, before training to be a medical assistant. While I enjoyed the work, I found that I was not happy working in the medical field. When I began working with children again, I found what I was missing. I'm so happy to be back!



## **Ms. Paola**

Hello, my name is Paola Gonzalez. I am from Colombia. My primary language is Spanish but I am currently take ESL classes and learning English very quickly. 😊 I work in the Pre-Toddler classroom with Ms. Heather. I am married to the best husband in the world! We have been married for five years. We have a 6 year old son. He is a very smart and friendly boy.

I really love to work with Toddlers because they are little people teaching me that the world can still be very simple. 😊 Just seeing their smiling faces makes me so happy. They give so much love! I enjoy playing with them every day and the always teach me something new. When I am not at Northlake, I love spending time with my family and I love vacationing! My family is the most important thing in this world for me. Thank you for sharing your children with me.