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## *Toddler Town Wishes You A Happy New Year!*

Happy New Year to our Toddler Town families! We ended last year with a bang as our 1st Annual Toy Drive was a huge success. The families at the Primo Center were so grateful as were we to have had your help in making the holidays a happy holiday for those less fortunate. Seeing the smiles on the children's faces was priceless. To share the success, the 5 year old room, Koalas, at our Chicago location managed to raise over \$60.00 for *Feeding America* and we made it an even \$100.00 donation. These were such a great ways to teach the children about giving back to the community and helping out those who are less fortunate. Thanks again to all the families that participated in making our donation events such a huge success!

This new year we have a lot of new and exciting things happening. This month we will be having The 19th we will be CLOSED in honor of Martin Luther King's Day. Classes will resume on Tuesday the 20th. Also, 2014 Tax Statements are in. Please pick yours up with the director in the office. A complete food form is required to pick up your tax form.



Lastly, parents we want to inform you about our decision to raise tuition. Toddler Town has not raised tuition for the past 10 years, but sadly with rising costs around us, we have been forced to raise up our rates. This will go into effect as of February 2015 and reflect on next month's tuition statement. We realize that times are rough all around and appreciate your understanding. We do want to let you know what the increase in tuition will go towards. It will buy quality child care, help train our staff, reimburse our staff who are continuing their education in Early Childhood, and continue our efforts through higher standards of Accreditation like that NAEYC.

-Thanks from Toddler Town-

### **Take Note**

- 2014 Tax Statements are in. Please pick yours up with the director in the office.
- Please check cubbies for current weather clothing.
- Update Contact Numbers

### **Upcoming Events**

- January 19th: CLOSED (Martin Luther King's Day)



*Hibernation:  
Sleeping Bears*

### *Ms. Stephane and Ms. Vanessa's Bumblebees Class 2-year-olds*

Happy New Year from the bumblebee class! Hope everyone had a great holiday! For the month of January, we will be talking about winter wonderland, snow and opposites. Our activities are, but not limited

to making Paper Plate Snowmen and Little Hand, Big Hand. Our letters for the month of January will be W and O! Last month the children had fun making their hibernation project which included sleeping

bears! We will continue to learn our basic colors and numbers in Spanish as well as work on our alphabets! Here in the bumblebee class our motto remains, "Ready, willing, and able to explore!"

### *Ms. Sandra and Ms. Daulet's Chipmunks Class 3-year-olds*

Hello parents! Happy New Year! We had a fun December learning about various holidays and even making some classroom decorations symbolizing that!

Letter J will be part of our theme this month as well as a discussion about Dr. Martin Luther King and transportation. This month we look forward to learning some new

and exciting things! Parents if there are any ideas you would like to share with me please feel free to. As always children are always welcome to bring books to share with the class.



*Various Cultural Holidays*

### *Ms. Alex, and Ms. Tammie's Butterflies Class 4-year-olds*



*2-0-1-5 Number Hunt*

Dear Toddler Town Families,  
Happy New Year! Last year was full of discovery and fun with learning! This year, we aim for more great experiences. Though December was the final month of the year, we still found ways to celebrate and bring in the New Year with a bang! We

studied shapes, learned about community helpers (thanks to all of our visitors), and then we discussed the many winter holidays that different families celebrate. We also had a wonderful winter holiday party (thanks to all who contributed). On the week before the New Year, we revisited

shapes, and had a 2-0-1-5 number hunt in our classroom. In January, we will start the year with our unit on healthy living/nutrition, exploring body parts, and learning about what it means to be a friend (as a tribute to MLK day). Let's make 2015 a great year!

-Thanks for your cooperation!-

### *Ms. Jaya and Mr. Shonn's Sharks Class 5-year-olds*

Happy NEW YEAR dear parents!! Hope you all had a wonderful year! Wish all the good stuff continue this year too!

December was so much fun! Children had a great time playing opposite words, comparing big and little, and learning

about ocean animals. We loved celebrating all the winter holidays with each other. Our holiday party with healthy snacks was another success!

As the New Year starts we have a lot of exciting themes to explore. The first week of January we

will explore the winter season. Next, we will discuss the science behind snow, Martin Luther King J.R., and polar bears. We will continue focusing on opposite words as well.

Happy January!



*Winter Fest Pine  
Cone Trees*