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KOALAS: 5 YEAR OLDS

The month of July was an exciting month! We learned so many fun themes like bugs, America, how to write a letter and fun games. The class had some great projects that went along with the lesson plans. One activity was writing letters to our loved ones. We also had some wonderful days enjoying the great outdoors!



The month of August will be a great month! We will be learning about different countries, music and art. We also have fun projects that will connect to each theme.

Parents: If you need any additional paperwork before you depart from TTDC, please be sure to see either myself or Mr. Robert and we will be happy to help.

Ms. Megan

THE BEARS

August is here! To recap the month of July, we reviewed the positions and opposites of short/long, back/front and top/bottom. We also enjoyed spending our outdoor time playing in the sand and water tables and enjoying being sprayed with water on warm days. We also continued



using summer collage materials for our summer projects. For the month of August, we will continue reviewing our opposites and positions by discussing up/down, under/over and reviewing same/different as well as patterning and rhyming. We will also continue with more outdoor play with the water and sand tables as well as creating art with summer collage materials. It should be a great month!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Where Your Child ALWAYS Comes First."

- To know if we are closed due to the weather, please make sure you are registered under the Emergency Closing Center: <u>http://toddlertownchicago.com/regis</u> ter-for-weather-emergency-updates/
- If your child is not staying for FALL 2017 and you are moving them to a public school or another daycare see ROBERT in the office immediately. Your child will be given a leave date.

REMINDERS:

- Give the director a 2 week advance notice if your child will no longer attend the daycare. This is to avoid a \$300 fee.
- Update your contact numbers.
- Tuition Payments need to be made on time or your child will not be able to stay in school.
- If your child has an <u>Allergy</u>, please see Mr. Robert.
- Your fundraiser chocolate \$ is past due. See Mr. Robert in the office.
- Remember to accept Life Cubby Invitation to view your child's progress.
- You can sign up your child at a summer camp at <u>http://www.galileo-</u> <u>camps.com/chicago?&gclid=CLP</u> y6perjtQCFQMHaQod4BEPmA

Ms. Taga

THE EXPLORERS: 4 YEAR OLDS

During the month of July, The Explorers classroom had lots of fun doing different activities. The children discovered the theme: 4th of July along with the Five Senses. One



of the cool activities the Explorers did was the making of a Summer Mural with the help of Ms. Pas.

August will have the Explorers exploring the themes: Zoo Animals, Gardens, and we will prepare for the next school year. The Explorers will also have our 3rd Annual Picnic Day. <u>Please look out for the sign up sheet or ask Mr. Temok</u> <u>for more details.</u>

When the weather doesn't permit us to use the playground, the teachers set up the classroom for physical activities which include dancing and/or an obstacle course. Remember to take your child's blankets home and bring them back every Monday cleaned and washed. Finally, please check cubbies if your child needs to change clothes for the HOT summer.

The Explorers, Ms. Pas & Mr. Temok

BUMBLEBEES: 4 YEAR OLDS

In the month of July, the students focused on the holiday Independence Day and Ocean Animals. We enjoyed making fireworks and color wheels with the colors RED. WHITE AND BLUE. We learned that those were the colors that represent the American Flag. We also had fun JUMPING into the Ocean and finding all the animals that live in the ocean. Beach day was all about the shape CIRCLE and SPHERE since a beach ball is round. In the month of August, we will be working on the Five Sensessight, smell, hearing, taste and touch. We will discuss examples of SIGHT (colors, faces, eyes), SMELL (flowers, scented markers, Kool-Aid), HEARING (car sounds, animal sounds, musical instruments), TASTE (sour, salty, warm, cold), and TOUCH (soft, rough, gushy, bumpy). In addition, we also will be going over safety tips while driving in a car. I thought this would be a fun theme to work on since my students are in love with cars, trucks, motorcycles, trains, and airplanes. Ms. Barber



BUTTERFLIES: 3 YEAR OLDS

July was a great month for the butterflies! We talked about Independence Day and did some artwork that is displayed in the front room. One of our class project's was the children making the United States flag using their hand prints. For the month of August, the



butterflies will learn about sea animals, where they live and what they eat. The children have shown an interest in our next topic. The areas of play that are open are water table/sand table that have different sea animals inside of them, so the children can play and recognize the sea animals. While the children are engaged in play they can strengthen their sensory motor skills as well as their language skills. These are two very important skills for growth and development of a three year old. If you have any question or concerns you can contact me by email at calderoncintya0915@gmail.com.

Ms. Cintya and Ms. Irene

TOUCANS: 2 YEAR OLDS

The Toucans had an AWESOME July. It was filled with fish

tails and tales of fish. We learned about Seahorse, Octopus, Sea Turtle, Whales, Sharks, Starfish, Crabs and so much more. We sang slippery fish, watched



educational under the sea videos, and made some really cool art work. Our sensory water bottles were so creative. August will bring more fun things to the Toucan Summer Camp, "Camp Wild Things "We will begin to learn about Zoo animals. Animals from around the world that intrigue children and adults alike. We will still always work on our social skills, manners, and our colors, shapes, and other age appropriate, skills, Keep enjoying the warm weather and continue to enjoy an awesome summer... PLEASE BE SAFE **The Toucans**



Are you Ready for the Summer?

- 1. We understand that the weather can be unpredictable, therefore, we want everyone to be SAFE! Remember to give yourself enough time to arrive at the daycare both at pick up and drop off times. To learn what the roads and weather will be for your day–
 - ✤ CALL: 847-238-1234 (touch tone phone needed)
 - SIGN UP: for personalized email notification of your child care center's status at: <u>www.EmergencyClosings.com</u>

Please choose your center location and follow the instructions so that you can be notified in advance of school closings due to Weather:

- If Chicago Public Schools are Closed due to SNOW related issues, Toddler Town Will Also Be Closed; this way parents can plan ahead accordingly. We will not close due to temperature, only due to snow closings.
- If you did not receive an email, text or update from the Emergency Closing Center please make sure that you do the following:
 - · Update your email address with Angelo or Robert
 - · Update your cell phone number and cell carrier with Angelo or Robert
 - Register with the Emergency Closing Center, as mentioned above.
- Sick/Vacation: We understand there will be times when children will be absent from school due to illness or vacation. However, you must let the school know, especially if they will be absent for more than 2 days. Please be sure to call and leave a message with your child's teacher. Down below are the extensions according to classroom. Our number is still the same (773) 622-9433. Menu directory:
 - For Spanish/Para Español: dial/marca 1
 - To be connected to the Toucans classroom (Miss Merry & Miss Maria): dial 22
 - To be connected to the Butterflies classroom (Ms. Cinthya, Ms. Irene, Ms. Carmen): dial 23
 - To be connected to the **Bumblebee** classroom (Miss Barber): <u>dial 24</u>
 - To be connected to the Explorer classroom (Mr. Temok & Miss Paz): dial 25
 - To be connected to the **Bears** classroom (Miss Taga): dial 26
 - To be connected to the Koalas classroom (Miss Megan): dial 27
 - To be connected to the **Office** (Mr. Robert): <u>dial 21</u>
- Pick Up List: Don't forget, if you need someone to pick up your child that is not already on your pick up list, you can go to our website and complete the "Emergency Authorization Form" located on the right hand side of the page: <u>https://toddlertowndaycare.formstack.com/forms/toddler_town_pick_up_form</u>
- 4. <u>Parent Portal:</u> Parents can go to our website and be connected to the parent portal where they can view their child's account. This feature is located on the right-hand side of the page under "Log In To Your Child's Account."





TODDLER TOWN DAYCARE TOO HEALTHY FOOD POLICY



Dear Parent/Guardian,

At Toddler Town Daycare, we love celebrating birthdays, holidays, and special occasions. We also want to ensure we are teaching the children life-long healthy eating habits. This is why **beginning January 1st**, **2013**, we will only be allowing parents/guardians to bring in healthy snacks during these special times.

We will no longer allow foods such as cupcakes, cakes, doughnuts, or candy to be brought in during birthdays or holidays. Instead, we encourage you to explore healthier options to share with the class and save the sugary foods to eat at home. The teachers will also stop giving out candy as rewards and will instead give out prizes like art supplies, books, chalk, bubbles, and other items to expand your child's mind.

are welcome to send healthy treats goody bags to share with classmates You or . Please let the teachers know in advance that you will be bringing a treat to class and the teachers will arrange to distribute the treats or goody bags to the children after naptime or at dismissal.

All healthy food items must arrive unopened as packaged by the manufacturer or it will not be accepted. Homemade treats are not permitted by the Illinois Health Department. And as always, no nuts are allowed.

Remember, if you would like to celebrate with your child's birthday at school please, Bring In Really Tasty Healthy Delicious Appetizing Yummy Snacks!

Birthd	ay Treat suggestions	
•	Fruit popsicles	

- Fruit cups
- Yogurt
- Rice Cakes
- Fruit Muffins
- Fresh Fruit
- Hand Snacks

Goodie Bag suggestions

- Stickers
- Markers/Crayons
- Books
- Chalk
- Bubbles
- Coloring Books
- Puzzles

Two great websites that also offer snack ideas and healthy eating are: www.choosemyplate.gov and www.colormehealthy.com.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding!

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