

TOPPLES TOWN

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"Where Your Child Always Comes First"





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SHARKS: 5 YEAR OLDS:

Dear parents, we had a wonderful time learning about healthy food, enjoyed healthy snacks and our Costume party! Last month we also talked about Turkey, Native Americans, Pilgrims and Thanksgiving. Children had fun making Native-American headbands, turkeys and singing songs about Native Americans. We have introduced to the children some new three dimensional shapes and we will continue learning about more three dimensional shapes.



This is that time of the year again when we eagerly wait for family gatherings, presents and lots of food.... mmmmm can't wait.

This month we will dive into the ocean and learn about Ocean animals. We will also learn about big and little, different Holidays and The New Year. Children love to create their own art projects and we will continue expanding on that. We have started playing a new game with the children recently- which is: someone will give a clue describing something that begins with the letter we are learning and others will have to guess what it is. Children are having a blast playing this new game. Parents can try playing this game with their child/children at home to help develop children's thinking skills and problem solving skills.

Have a wonderful Holiday!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Where Your Child ALWAYS Comes First."

If you have not accepted our Life Cubby Request. Please do so ASAP so you can view and stay informed with your child's progress during their attendance at Toddler Town.

REMINDERS:

- Notify the daycare if your child is ill with a <u>contagious</u> illness <u>immediately</u> so that we can do our part at the daycare.
 - The center will be closed Monday December 25th

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Monday January 1st

- Update your contact numbers in office and with teachers.
- Wash your child's hands upon arrival.
- Tuition Payments need to be made on time or your child will not be able to stay in school.
- Please look out for emails from Life Cubby our new curriculum tool.



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BUTTERLIES: 4 YEAR OLDS

Hello parents!!!

Welcome to our month of December!!! We had an awesome time learning and exploring the month of November. We talked about fall, weather, pumpkins and finished off with Thanksgiving.

Unfortunately, we need to end our study to begin our new clothes study. Since winter is coming, it's the perfect time to study about clothes. What types of clothes do we need in the winter? What are clothes made of? Patterns and so much more!!! We will also talk to our students about the holidays in the month. Please stay on the lookout for this month's activities.



REMINDER: Don't forget to send in blankets every Monday!

CHIPMUNKS: 3 YEAR OLDS

Howdy All! What a pleasant November we had this year. In our class we discussed Thanksgiving and families, Koala Bears, Square Pyramids and Cones, as well as the theme of Water. Where it comes from and what it is.

In December we will explore the themes of Polar Bears, Heat and Fire, Electricity, & Narwhales because we were unable to appropriate the books I desired for those themes. I was able to pick up the books for our upcoming unit.



Parents are always welcome to come in and volunteer!

BUMBLEBEES: 2 YEAR OLDS

Tis the season to be jolly! DECEMBER COULDN'T WAIT TO BE WITH US AGAIN! It's Literally the most wonderful time of the year. November was fun, learning about pumpkins, fruits, veggies, eating healthy, harvest, being thankful, Day and Night; but I think December will be more enjoyable. For the month of December, children will be learning about Winter, Fun activities we usually do during winter, Holiday Fun, winter clothing and ways to stay warm. On the 29th of December, the children will have a holiday party, I need all my student's parents to come see me during the first two weeks of December to sign up for

what they would like to bring for the party. I have chosen specific items that are appropriate for the children to have and that won't be expensive. Some of the items that have been put on the list will go in their goodie bag to take home, or they will enjoy during their holiday party.



THANK YOU IN ADVANCE AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



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Are you Ready for the Weather?

- 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
 - a. CALL: 847-238-1234 (touch tone phone needed)
 - b. SIGN UP: for personalized email notification of your child care center's status at: www.EmergencyClosings.com

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

Evanston Location Information to Sign up:

Facility Name: TODDLER TOWN DAYCARE

Facility Location/City: EVANSTON
Main Phone Number: (847) 475-1467

Chicago Location Information to Sign up:

• Facility Name: TODDLER TOWN DAYCARE TOO

Facility Location/City: CHICAGOMain Phone Number: 773-622-9433

- ❖ 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.
- 2. <u>Sick/Vacation:</u> 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 (847) 475-1467. Menu directory:
 - For Spanish/Para Español: dial/marca 1
 - To be connected to the 2 year old classroom (Ms. Norma & Ms. Vanessa): dial 12
 - To be connected to the 3 year old classroom (Mr. Shonn & Mrs. Daulat): dial 13
 - To be connected to the 4 year old classroom (Mrs. Maritza & Ms. Carina): dial 14
 - To be connected to the 5 year old classroom (Mrs. Jaya & Ms. Amber): dial 15
 - To be connected to the office (Mr. Angelo): dial 11



- 3. **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: https://toddlertowndaycare.formstack.com/forms/toddler town pick up form
- 4. **Parent Portal:** 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 Into Your Child's Account."



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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.

You are welcome to send healthy treats or goody bags to share with classmates. 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!

Birthday 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!

Angelo Nikolov, Director Toddler Town Daycare 1501 Howard St. Evanston, IL 60202

*Some information courtesy of CCDC