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## "Where Your Child Always Comes First"





## February 2018

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## KOALAS: 5 YEAR OLDS

Happy New Year Families! The Koalas Class had such an exciting month! During the month of January, the children studied so many new subjects; how different new years are celebrated, community helpers, and all things winter! We also learned new words and letters along the way; H( help), F (for) and T ( to).

For the month of February, we will be studying new topics like famous African Americans, the emotion of LOVE and observing the Winter Olympics. There will be some great activities correlated with these subjects as well. Finally, we will be continuing our lesson of a letter and sight word for each week.

Parents: Please continue doing a great job with your child's homework. Also, be on the lookout for our Valentine's Day sign up treat sheet! (Reminder, we are a peanut and sugar free zone). If you have any questions or concerns, please see me and I will be happy to help.

Mrs. Megan 773-622-9433 EXT 27

## THE BEARS

Happy Valentine's Day everyone! I can't believe January has flown by so fast! To recap the month of January, we finished off our topic of Winter, discussed lizards, reviewed our manners and numbers and made an ocean for ocean animals. We also reviewed our numbers from 14-17. For the month of

February, we will continue our alphabet by discussing the colors purple and red, celebrating Valentine's Day with a party, and making our own class quilt. We will also finish off discussing our numbers from 18-20 and review all the numbers from 1-20. It should be a great month!

Ms. Taga 773-622-9433 EXT 26



## 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/

#### **REMINDERS:**

- We want to wish Mr. Temok good luck in his new position at CPS and want to welcome Ms. Yvonne to the TTDC Too Family.
- Update your contact numbers, cell phone providers and emails.
- Tuition Payments need to be made on time or your child will not be able to stay in school.
  - Does Your child have an ALLERGY ? Please see Mr. Robert in the office

• We are closed Monday February 19<sup>th</sup> for Presidents Day

We Close early Tuesday February 6<sup>th</sup> @ 330pm for CPR/First Aid training

Update your child's clothing for the Fall/Winter months. Please put your child's belongings in their plastic bags or bin.

#### THE EXPLORERS: 4 YEAR OLDS

January was a great month as the Explorers were able to learn about the five senses, community helpers and continued to practice writing their names. Also, they reviewed their bilingual lessons in Spanish, such as colors, numbers, directions and more. The month of February is all about love and friendship. Therefore, the Explorers will learn about emotions, Valentine's Day and shapes. Parents, please utilize your child's blue/clear bags for their coats and/or home toys. If the child needs to change their boots out, please place their boots under their cubbies. Finally, we recommend that you put your child's name or initials on their belongings to prevent things from going missing. I also would like to introduce myself one more time. Some of you parents know me, but some may not. I'm Mrs. Cintya, I'm the new teacher of the Explorers classroom. If you have any question, feel free to contact me at msscintya@gmail.com

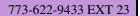
#### Mrs. Cintya 773-622-9433 EXT 25



### **BUTTERFLIES: 3 YEAR OLDS**

To recap the month of January, the Butterflies classroom took it up a notch and BLASTED OFF into Outer Space in our name rockets to learn about the 9 planets, stars, and moon. We also learned some fun facts about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and PEACE! We also focused on our names and how to recognize not only the letters in our name, but our friend's names as well. For the month of February, we will continue to focus on recognizing our names and letters, shapes, friendship, VALENTINES, Love and back to outer space because they really enjoyed that theme. This should be a fun month! Some of you may know that the Butterfly classroom will have a new teacher by the name of Ms. Yvonne and Miss. Barber will be transitioning to her old classroom in the back. It was great working with you all, but I will still be seeing you throughout the building. Please see me if you have any questions ©©©

Ms. Barber & Ms. Irene





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#### **BUMBLEBEES: 4 YEAR OLDS**

Well a few new things have happened in the Bumblebee room. First off, there have been some friends that have transitioned out into other classrooms. We say goodbye to them and see you later friend. However, we also welcome some new friends into the Bumblebee room and say with big smiles

"Welcome friends CCC."

Another new addition to the Bumblebee room is myself, Miss Barber. I will now be the teacher of the Bumblebee Room.



Many of you are familiar with me as I have had your child as my student in the Bumblebee and the Butterfly room and/or with others we have crossed paths. As for those who have not yet met me, I am Miss Barber and have been with Toddler Town for 3 years now and was originally working in the Bumblebee room. I love working with children and teaching them is a passion of mine. Children at this age have minds like a sponge and grasp all kinds of things. It is a pleasure of mine to be involved in your child's life and teach them new things as well as prepare them for the next level in their Toddler Town journey. Please see me if you have any questions.

Ms. Barber 773-622-9433 EXT 24

#### **TOUCANS: 2 YEAR OLDS**

January just zipped by! We studied our cold weather animals, and

made some awesome penguins and polar bears. We had several of our Toucans turn 3 and several others who are 3 already will be advancing to new classrooms. We say good bye to Leilani, Andres, Frankie, Allison, Kaleb, Zamaiha and Abigail. We wish you well in your new classrooms. In February we



will make fun Valentine decorations. We will make animals from hearts, make sticker art and even use rose petals to create a lovely Valentine! At our party we will be passing out cards like a mail carrier. Our month long unit for February is "Making Music" and we will learn about several instruments. From the piano to the violin, trumpet to flute, and so much more!!! We will make instruments, watch videos of orchestras and even have some real instruments brought in to try. Very educational and fun. We hope you have a wonderful February and please stay safe and well.

Miss Merry and Miss Areli 773-622-9433 EXT 22



## 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–
  - ✤ 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 Areli): dial 22
  - To be connected to the **Butterflies** classroom (Ms. Barber, Ms. Irene, Ms. Carmen): dial 23
  - To be connected to the **Bumblebee** classroom : Mr. Temok dial 24
  - To be connected to the Explorer classroom (Miss Pas): dial 25
  - To be connected to the **Bears** classroom (Miss Taga): dial 26
  - To be connected to the Koalas classroom (Mrs. Megan & Mrs. Cintya): dial 27
  - To be connected to the Office (Mr. Robert): dial 21
- 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!

Robert Nikolov, Director Toddler Town Daycare Too 5934 W. Diversey Chicago, IL 60639

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