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## Spring Has Sprung!!!

Spring is already here!!! The weather is getting nicer and the children will be able to visit the outdoors more often, which is great for them to get fresh air and get those large motor muscles moving. Therefore, parents please be sure to update your child's cubby with weather appropriate clothing as well as bring any outdoor gear you want your child to wear.

On April 15th, Toddler Town celebrates its 10 Anniversary!!! We realize that date is also the last day for taxes, but on the upside Toddler Town has been open for 10 wonderful years offering the best child care services we can. In honor of our anniversary, we will be having morning breakfast treats for our parents that day.

This month, Wednesday, April 22nd, is Earth Day, a day to support environmental protection. You can talk to your child about different ways to support Earth day. Just remember the 5 "Rs": Recycle, Restore, Replenish, Reduce, Reuse! You can also have a fun family experience with Earth day such as planting flowers.

Also, the week of April 20th-24th, we will be celebrating "The Week of the Young Child." Each day will have a different theme. Stay tuned to the flyer that will be sent out with more information.

It's that time again....Picture Day!!! This month we will be having Spring pictures, which means class pictures will also be taking place. Pictures will be taken on Thursday, April, 16th. And parents, a reminder that we will be CLOSED Friday, April 3rd for Good Friday.

Also parents, just a reminder that our yearly Chocolate Fundraiser will start next month. Remember that chocolates will need to be paid for before they are given out.

Lastly, we want to congratulate Mr. Temok who received his certificate of CDA (Child Development Associate Credential™) from the Council of Professional Recognition in Washington, DC for recognition of outstanding work with young children.

-Thanks from Toddler Town!-

### Family Fun!!!:

Easter is this month here is a website with fun ideas that you and your child:  
<http://www.redtedart.com/2013/02/25/10-egg-decorating-ideas/>

### Upcoming Events:

- Chocolate Fundraiser next month!!!

### REMINDERS:

- April 3rd: CLOSED for Good Friday!!!
- April 16th: PICTURE DAY!!! Spring pictures will happen along with class photos.
- April 20-24: Week of the Young Child
- April 24th: Daycare CLOSURES @ 5p.m.!



### Ms. Merry and Ms. Nikki's Teddy Bear Class 2-year-olds



Spring Lambs

Thank you for a great first month! In March, we celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday and St. Patrick's Day with fun and educational celebrations. In honor of the Spring Equinox, we made robins, the bird that often returns to the Midwest first. Most of the month, however, was about finding the proper balance in the classroom. The Toucans will be welcoming back the sun, birds, and plants this month. We will start by dyeing eggs and having a cele-

bration in honor of Easter. The teachers will supply pizza for lunch and treats for snack. The majority of April will consist of a unit on birds. We will learn all about their cycle of life, the different varieties, what they eat, and what a day in their life looks like. We will learn this through a variety of activities, like "Feed the Bird" (sensory), making bird feeders, creating bird likenesses, etc. We will also be participating in NAEYC's

'The Week of the Young Child'. The week of April 20<sup>th</sup> will be all about celebrating our young learners. More information will be sent home soon. At the end of April, we will begin our plant unit by planting seeds and learning about the help that butterflies, bees, other insects, and birds provide through the pollination process. See you soon, when the April showers have brought May flowers!

### Ms. Jackie and Ms. Irene's Butterflies Class 3-year-olds

Happy April and Spring! Last month was full of fun activities related to identifying the first letters in our name and name writing. This month we begin Spring and what fun it will be! We will not only enjoy the outdoor more, now that the weather is better, but we will also enjoy fun

activities. The children continue to work on fun activities pertaining to name writing and fun arts and crafts related to this month's Easter celebration and Earth Day. We will also be having a Spring Festival, Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Furthermore, we will be celebrating the "Week of

the Young Child." In doing so the children will enjoy specific themes and on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> we invite our families to come celebrate with us and enjoy different cultural food brought in by the parents. Lastly, parents please update your child's cubby with weather appropriate clothing.



Name Rockets

### Mr. Temok's Guppies Class 3 and 4-year-olds



Dr. Seuss Project

Hi Dear Parents: In March, the students learned their colors by making the rainbows with various materials such as feathers, construction paper, and coloring. We had Dr. Seuss week and enjoyed different activities related to it. We also revisited our rainbow lesson when we celebrated St. Pat-

rick's Day. For the month of April, the children will continue learning Spanish. We will cover the themes: health and birds. We will also celebrate with a Spring Festival. Now that we are entering the new season, please update your child's cubby with weather appropriate clothing.

Finally, I want to share with you that I was awarded a National Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential™ from the Council of Professional Recognition in Washington, DC for recognition of outstanding work with young children.

### Ms. Barber's Bumble Bees Class 3 and 4-year-olds

In the month of March we celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday, St. Patrick's Day, and we were excited to finally feel some spring weather. FUN FACTS: Dr. Seuss was born Theodor Geisel in Springfield Massachusetts, on March 2, 1904. Also in 1957, Random House published "THE CAT IN THE HAT," a book that continues to charm children and adults for more than 50 years. So In honor of Dr. Seuss, we celebrated his birthday by reading his books and doing

some fun activities. **REMEMBER:** "A person is a person, no matter how small." We also celebrated St. Patrick's Day by wearing **GREEN** and doing some fun art projects. In the month of April we will be preparing for the spring season as we talk about flowers and rain. We will be working on letters and numbers every week that we will repeat. Also, we will be work on writing our

first and last names. So parents please pay close attention to your child's progress on letter writing. I will be informing you on upcoming projects in our class as well. Finally, parents please check cubbies for daily art work, news, and homework sheets. All homework is given out on Monday and should be returned on the expected due date and put in the purple basket, please.



Thing 1 and Thing 2 Handprints

### Ms. Taga's Bears Class 4 and 5-year-olds



Spring Flowers

To recap the month of March, we discussed shapes, transportation, spring, umbrellas and celebrated our spring celebration. We also began our spring art collages and planted spring flowers. We reviewed our numbers from 1-20. For the month of April, we

will be discussing vegetables, weather, the color yellow, and finishing up our alphabet with zoo animals. We will continue our spring projects using various collages and add dirt and play bugs/reptiles to our media table. We will also paint

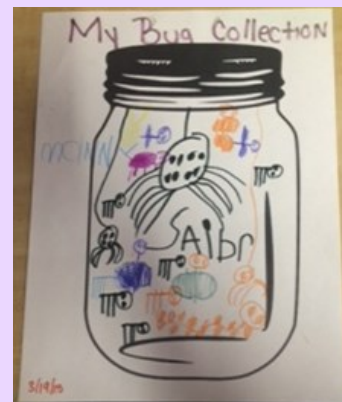
with vegetables and make yellow projects. We will continue to enjoy the outdoors now since spring is here. We will also be having a spring celebration party at the beginning of the month. Watch for the note. It should be a fun month!

### Ms. Megan's Koalas Class 5-year-olds

Hi Parents! We finally beat the winter blues and head right into spring. The month of March was an exciting one for the Koalas class. We celebrated Dr. Seuss's Birthday, learned about the aspects of spring, and explored our dramatic theater side. We had

such a great month and we are looking forward to what spring and the new month will bring! For April our class will be studying some new and exciting topics! We will be looking at different subjects like Farm Life, Dinosaurs and how buildings are built. We will also be continu-

ing with our last couple of lists for sight words. Even though April might bring a lot of showers, we will be enjoying the month the Koala's way! Thank You and Have a Great Day!



"My Bug Collection"