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KOALAS: 5 YEAR OLDS

Hi Parents! We had such a great month of learning! We studied various subjects like famous American landmarks, math review, and writing letters to people. Along with these lessons, we also had great projects, for example, the class had received a light table and experimented with color reflection from magnet builders.



The month of August will be our wrapping up month. The class will review past lessons on sight words, letters, numbers and math skills. We will also coordinate some fun projects to go along with friends leaving, such as, farewell books and friendship bracelets. Parents, if you need any paper work for your child's new school, please see me and I will be happy to help.

BEARS: 4 YEAR OLDS:

Welcome to August! To recap the month of July, we continued with our opposites and positions of back/front, top/bottom and up/down. We also celebrated the 4th of July by enjoying an ice cream sundae party. We continued with our summer subtheme by using sand, seashells and rocks in our projects and enjoying water play on hot days.



For the month of August, we will continue our opposites by discussing under/over, touching on same/different, sequencing, rhyming and patterning. We will continue to enjoy the warm weather outdoors with gross motor activities and sensory play. It should be a fun month!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Where Your Child ALWAYS Comes First."

CLOSING DATES:

- To know if we are closed due to the weather, please refer to this website: <http://toddlertownchicago.com/register-for-weather-emergency-updates/>

REMINDERS:

- Notify the daycare if your child is ill with a contagious illness immediately so that we can do our part at the daycare.
- **Please see your child's teacher to update your contact numbers.**
- Wash your child's hands upon arrival.
- Chocolate Fundraiser Money due ASAP!
- Tuition Payments need to be made on time or your child will not be able to stay in school.
- If your child will no longer be attending TTDC, as mentioned in the enrollment application that you signed, you must give the director a 2 week advance notice to avoid a \$300 fee.
- Possible field trip the beginning of September to the Lincoln Park Zoo. See Miss Megan for more information.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences this month...see your child's teacher for more info.

THE EXPLORERS: 4 YEAR OLDS

In July, the Explorers learned about Independence Day; activities involved the flag, fireworks, and the children singing the *50 states* song. During our bug theme, the Explorers learned about the butterfly life cycle and various bugs. During our beach theme, the Explorers learned about activities to do on the beach like swimming. They also pretended to be on the beach in the classroom. Furthermore, they practiced their names, spelling, and writing.

For August, the Explorers will continue learning about the Beach since they enjoyed the topic so much. For math skills, the class will learn about adding numbers and the concept of greater than, less than and/or equal to. The Explorers will also continue to work on writing their letters in their notebooks. Finally, please remember that Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held to go over your child's progress. Conferences will be the first two weeks in August.



BUMBLEBEES: 4 YEAR OLDS

In the month of July, the students focused on Independence Day, the circus and Ocean Animals. We enjoyed making fireworks with the colors RED, WHITE AND BLUE, since those colors represent the American Flag. We also had fun JUMPING into the Ocean and finding all the animals that live in the ocean. We also made a few animals that we voted on as our favorite. Beach day was all about the shape CIRCLE and SPHERE since a beach ball is round. Also the students were able to lay out and get some sun on their beach towels that they brought in. We enjoyed a lot of fun summer themes.

In the month of August, we will be working on the Five Senses: sight, 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. Thought this would be a fun theme to work on since my students are in love with cars, trucks, motorcycles, trains, and airplanes.



BUTTERFLIES: 3 YEAR OLDS

The month of July was so much fun as we learned about the history behind the 4th of July and aquatic animals: octopuses, sharks, stingrays, crabs, and dolphins. We even worked on creative art projects pertaining to these subjects. We even marched around the neighborhood with our 4th of July hats that the children made. As for our names, we worked on identifying both the letter and sound of the 1st letter in our names. This has been such a success that the children are even beginning to identify projects based off the names.

August will be just as fun as we will learn about zoo animals in combination with color recognition. We will also work on fun projects related to these animals. We will also be having Parent/Teacher Conferences in August so look for the sign-up sheet to set up a meeting.

Parents please keep track of your child's cubbies and be sure to supply them with enough weather appropriate attire.



TOUCANS: 2 YEAR OLDS

July was a month full of camping experiences. We continued with our insects and spiders study. The children were able to create crafts about different insects while learning more about colors and shapes. Then, we learned more about campfires and bears in the camping grounds. We learned more about what tents are and what they are used for. We explored worms and what they eat. The children were able to see them move around. Aside from all these activities, we learned more about the Fourth of July. We marched outside while waving our flags.

As August approaches, we would like to introduce children to sea life. We will do activities that involve water and crafts. Also since August is the hottest month, we would like to introduce a beach like theme. We are hoping to have a beach party during the month and most of all have fun!





Toddler Town's New Phone System



Ring, Ring! Hello, this is Toddler Town and we would like to inform you of our new phone system. If you have called us, you have probably noticed our new call menu. For those of you who haven't noticed, here is some information to familiarize yourself for the next time you call us.

One of our best features is being able to contact your child's teacher directly, rather than having to be transferred. Each classroom now has a specific extension where you are able to speak and/or leave your child's teacher a message. We ask that when you do leave a message that you please state **Your Name, Your Child's Name, and a Call Back Number.** A good idea is to recite the call back number **slowly** and **twice** for accuracy. Unfortunately, messages left without call back numbers will not be returned.

Also, please give our staff enough time to return your phone call, especially if the call is during class hours when the teachers are attending to the children. Depending on when you call, we will do our best to return your calls during lunch time or within 24 hours. If it is an emergency, do not hesitate to call again or speak to the director directly.

Office Responses are quicker through email – ttdctoo@yahoo.com

Our number is still the same (773) 622-9433. Below is our new 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 (Miss Jackie, Miss Irene, Miss Carmen): **dial 23**
- To be connected to the **Bumblebee** classroom (Miss Barber): **dial 24**
- To be connected to the **Explorer** classroom (Mr. Temok): **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): **dial 21**

We hope this makes calling much easier. Thank You and we can't wait to hear from you...Good-bye! ☺