

# TODDLER TOWN

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"Where Your Child Always Comes First"



## MAY 2017

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### KOALAS: 5 YEAR OLDS

Hello Families!

We had such an exciting month in April! We learned about new ideas and concepts like endangered animals, planets, gardening and we celebrated the *Week of the Young Child*. We also studied some new sight words.

The month of May could be a little crazy since I will be gone for 2 weeks. No worries, I can assure you that the children will be in good hands while I'm away. Before I leave, there will be a homework packet given out to the children to complete at home. During the day, they will also have time to practice their graduation show. When I return, we will be back to business! **Graduation will be June 23<sup>rd</sup> at Lagos.** If you have any question or concerns please see me and I will be happy to help.



### BEARS: 4 YEAR OLDS:

Happy May! To recap the month of April, we discussed the topics: vegetables, weather, yellow, and celebrated our Spring celebration. We also had our Spring pictures taken. We came out very nice! We celebrated the WOYC by having all kinds of special activities planned, from a Dental Van to a Walk-a-thon and a Family Potluck.

For the month of May, we'll be discussing the topics of zoo animals; reviewing our alphabet; and beginning our opposites and positions, beginning with more/less and big/little. We will also be making Mother's Day gifts and enjoying more outdoor play. It will be a great month!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Where Your Child ALWAYS Comes First."

### CLOSING DATES:

- To know if we are closed due to the weather, please make sure you are registered under the Emergency Closing Center: <http://toddlertownchicago.com/register-for-weather-emergency-updates/>
- Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>:** Memorial Day!

### 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.
- Chocolate Fundraiser this month! See Mr. Robert about the new regulations.
- Farewell Miss Jackie... We wish you the best!
- Welcome Miss Cinthya, the new co-teacher for the Butterflies Classroom!
- If your child has an Allergy, please see Mr. Robert.
- June 23<sup>rd</sup>: Koala's Graduation! More details coming soon!
- Check your emails and Accept your invitations to Life Cubby.
- Spring Pictures are in! See Mr. Robert to pick up your photos.
- There is still time to donate to St. Jude's. See Mr. Robert.

### THE EXPLORERS: 4 YEAR OLDS

Hi everybody! For the month of April, the Explorers learned more directional words in Spanish, in addition to Sign Language: mom, dad, house, home. We also covered the themes: Health, Flowers and Rain. We had a Spring Festival and celebrated the *Week of the Young Child* that included a walk-a-thon, visits from community helpers, music, the Colgate Van, and family night. Thank you to the staff and parents who made it a success.

For the month of May, we will discuss the themes: Mother's Day and Jungle. We will also continue with the Alphabet, Spanish lessons and Sign Language. Lastly, remember to accept your invitation from Life Cubby.

Don't forget to take blankets home to get washed and return Monday.



### BUMBLEBEES: 4 YEAR OLDS

What a wonderful month of April it has been! We enjoyed our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual WOYC celebration and we had such a great time! The Bumblebees entered the RAINFOREST. Oh, the things we saw and heard! We also learned about Spring, Caterpillars and Butterflies, and Rain. My students were eager to go inside the Rainforest and see all the different animals that live in the rainforest. We did some cool art work that the children took home and displayed around the classroom. We also learned opposite words and some fun facts about trees and different animals in the rainforest.

During the month of May, we will be working on Birds, Tornados, Mothers and flowers, Letter Recognition, 3D shapes, Taking turns, Sharing, Using our manners, and Cleaning up after ourselves.



### BUTTERFLIES: 3 YEAR OLDS

April was so much fun as we enjoyed more of the outdoors, discussed Earth Day and even celebrated *Week of the Young Child*. WOYC consisted of Music Monday; a visit from the dentist in the Colgate Van; a walk-a-thon fundraiser for St. Jude's; visits from Community Helpers: police officers, fire department, and the mail man; and a Family Potluck. We also said Goodbye to Miss Jackie and wished her the best! May will bring about some changes for our Butterflies as they will be welcoming a new teacher to their classroom, Miss Cinthya. Miss Cynthia will begin in the Butterflies Classroom May 8<sup>th</sup>. In the meantime, Miss Paz will be helping Miss Irene with the children. The children will be working on Mother's Day gifts and getting to know Miss Cinthya.



### TOUCANS: 2 YEAR OLDS

Happy May! Happy Mother's Day to all the mommy's, soon to be moms, and caregivers who are substitute moms. April showers do indeed bring May flowers and we will plant our sunflower seeds and cucumber seeds in our outside planters soon. We will also be asking for donations of a plant or flower that your child has chosen for our "Toucan Garden". We sure had fun winding up April with our Easter egg hunt and all the neat spring crafts. We learned a bit about birds, and now in May will lead into things found in the garden. What fun nature can be.

We also expect to get our new fish tank set up, a donation from Pet Supplies Plus "Pets in the Classroom" program.

Keep an eye out for our new addition.

The Toucans would like to wish Miss Jackie all the luck in the world in her new job venture!!!





## Are you Ready for the Winter 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: [www.EmergencyClosings.com](http://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:

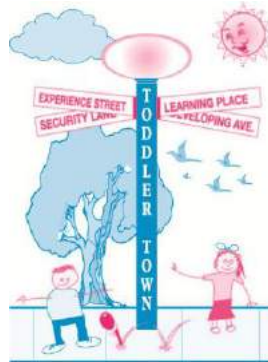
<p><b><u>Evanston Location Information to Sign up:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Facility Name: <b>TODDLER TOWN DAYCARE</b></li> <li>▪ Facility Location/City: <b>EVANSTON</b></li> <li>▪ Main Phone Number: <b>(847) 475-1467</b></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Chicago Location Information to Sign up:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Facility Name: <b>TODDLER TOWN DAYCARE TOO</b></li> <li>▪ Facility Location/City: <b>CHICAGO</b></li> <li>▪ Main Phone Number: <b>773-622-9433</b></li> </ul>
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- ❖ 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. **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): **dial 24**
    - 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): **dial 21**
  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](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 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.**

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](http://www.choosemyplate.gov) and [www.colormehealthy.com](http://www.colormehealthy.com).**

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding!

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