

"WHERE YOUR CHILD ALWAYS COMES FIRST!"

Parents, we hope that everyone has had the opportunity to register and browse around the Teaching Strategies GOLD website. If you have not been invited please check with your child's teacher or Mr. Angelo to ensure that we have the correct email address on file. Be sure to complete the Survey about our school that is located on the website. If you have any questions please feel free to speak with Mr. Angelo in the office. **To All Parents, As the weather is changing here in our great city, it is imperative that all parents check their child's cubby to ensure that they have an adequate change of clothing in case they need to be changed for any reason. Parents can check for school closings due to severe weather as well. This information can be found on the last page of the Parent Handbook or go to www.emergencyclosingcenter.com**

Past/Current Events

The month of February was very busy with Valentines Day as well as Black History Month and Presidents Day. Classes have gone back to their usual daily schedules and curriculum.

Important News

To All Parents, be aware that we are having a contest in our school in regards to the Parent Survey on our school website at www.toddlerstownchicago.com and would appreciate everyone's feedback. Once all of the survey confirmation sheets are handed in there will be a drawing. The winner will receive \$150 off their tuition.

Chipmunks Class

Spring is almost here we can feel it! In February the Chipmunks enjoyed learning about many famous African-Americans including Harriet Tubman, Jackie Robinson and George Washington Carver. For the month of March we will be discussing several fun themes throughout the month. The themes for the month of March are Fairy Tales, where we will be reading and talking about stories such Snow White and other childhood favorites. Throughout the month of March we will also be discussing nutrition, music and spring. Letters for the month are H, I, J and K. Numbers for the month are 15, 16, 17 and 18. For the letters and numbers of the week I encourage parents to practice these with your child at home. Each week you can find out the letter of that week by looking around the classroom or simply asking your child.

I want to Thank all the parents who brought treats and goodies to our Valentine Day party. We had treats for the whole week. And as always, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to ask one of the teachers.

Sharks Classroom

Hello Parents, we are almost done with Winter. Last month we had lots of fun learning about dental health, presidents day, pets and the Winter Olympics. The children should have some knowledge on those subjects by now. We also learned the letters P, W & D. This month we will focus on learning about St. Patrick's Day, farm animals, five senses, spring and water. Letters of the month are F, S & W and numbers 8, 7, 3 & 6. The shapes we will learn about are rectangle and oval. We have started learning about rhyming with different words; parents can have fun playing the rhyming game with their children at free times. Say welcome to spring and enjoy the warmer weather!!

Bumblebees Classroom

Hello Parents March is here and that means SPRING! We have explored what winter has to offer now we are looking forward to spring! March promises to be as busy as February with many activities both inside and outside of the classroom. We continue to have success in curricular and extra-curricular areas. Our themes for this month include but are not limited to; St. Patrick Day, Mardi Gras, five senses and last but not least SPRING! Center time activities could be playing with green modeling clay or counting green shamrock cutouts and many other St. Patrick Day activities. For our gross motor skills we will be exercising. One of the stories we will read will be Green Eggs and Ham.

Remember our motto for the Bumblebee class is Ready and Willing to Explore!

Butterfly Classroom

We had such an exciting February learning about Black History, the talent show was phenomenal and we want to thank everyone who joined us on that day. We are so eager to start talking about spring and various components of it. We will be talking about winter and wind, changes in the weather, guided discovery and things that grow. We will continue our daily phonemic awareness as well as phonological awareness activities, we have completed all 26 letters and sounds and we will continue to review them daily, but moving forward we will start taking the next steps to building early reading skills. We will be learning about words families so for the next couple of weeks make sure that you ask your child what they are learning in our class. If you have any questions comments or concerns please do not hesitate to contact one of us.

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