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Here's What We'll Be Up To ...

2022

Hello Toddler Town Families

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WELCOME to August!!! August's theme ls:

End Of Summer Beginning the School Year During the month Of August, we will be discussing the following:

1. Picnic 2. Sports 3. Shapes and Colors 4. Worms 5. Ants 6. All about classroom, school, routine

Monthly Observance and Celebration

August 1st- Friendship Day

- August 9th- Book Lovers Day
- August 13th- Left Handers Day







Announcements

Important Info!

We are in the Summer Season and the Hot weather is officially here to stay. Please dress your child accordingly and please be sure to update your child's cubby bin. Keep In mind that Students go outside daily as long as it's between 32 and 92 degrees. If possible, please label your children's belongings. Also, please apply sunblock prior to dropping off your child.

Parents, Please remember that if your students is not here for more than 2 consecutive days, you will be asked to Provide a Negative PCR Covid Result within 24-48 hours. (Rapid and store-bought kits are not acceptable.)

We want to remind everyone that we have a no open shoe policy, and a no croc policy. All students must wear closed shoes all around that they can easily run in if they had to and that protects their foot.

At Toddler Town Daycare, outside/home food and outside/home toys are not allowed or permitted at our center. Please keep home toys at home or in your vehicle, and, if you want your child to eat food outside our center, please have your child finish it in the car or in the hallway, but do not take it further in the school, it will be tossed out. Also, cups allowed in the center are only cups that have water or that are empty, if you bring a cup or bottle containing anything else, we will send it back home. Please refer to your Toddler Town Parent policy handbook regarding these rules.







Please Don't forget that payments must be made on the 1st & 15th of every month. On the first you either pay full tuition, or half of the tuition. If you pay only half on the 1st, you have until the 15th to pay the other half. Late fees will be applied for no payments after the first and also to unpaid balances after the 15th .

Please do not forget that due to the Pandemic, our center closes promptly at 5PM. Any time after that, families get charged \$15 every 10 minutes. Don't forget to fill out the CrisisGo questionnaire at home, before dropping off your child. Teachers are ready to scan and re-take temperature.

Masks are now Optional, if you would like for your child to wear a mask, be sure to always have extras in their cubby.

PROCARE ENGAGEMENT PROVIDES ALL THE SOURCES TO BE UP TO DATE WITH EVERYTHING GOING ON IN OUR CENTER. This includes Paying through the app, receiving documents, receiving important updates, communicating with teachers, and so much more. Ask us about ProCare Engagement!



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Families and COVID-19

Resource: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/groups/families-</u>

<u>covid-19.html</u>

Updated Feb. 25, 2022

As more people are getting vaccinated and resuming activities they did before the pandemic, parents and caregivers are making hard decisions on how to protect their families. Not everyone is able to get vaccinated, so you may be confused about how to keep your family safe, especially if your family has vaccinated and unvaccinated members.

Things to Think About

Here are some things to consider when planning outings with your family.

What is your family's vaccination status?





Tips and Ideas for Home

•Everyone 5 years and older should get a COVID-19 vaccination to help protect against COVID-19.

•People who are not up to date on their COVID-19 vaccines and children under 5 years old who are not able to get a COVID-19 vaccine should continue taking steps to prevent getting sick.

•Everyone ages 2 years and older should properly wear a well-fitting mask indoors in public in areas where the COVID-19 Community Level is high, regardless of vaccination status.

•In general, people do not need to wear masks when outdoors.

•If you are sick and need to be around others, or are caring for someone who has COVID-19, wear a mask.

•If the COVID-19 Community Level where you live is

- Low
 - Wear a mask based on your personal preference, informed by your personal level of risk.
- Medium
 - If you are at risk for severe illness, talk to your healthcare provider about wearing masks indoors in public.
 - If you live with or will gather with someone at risk for severe illness, wear a mask when indoors with them.
- High
 - If you are 2 or older, wear a well-fitting mask indoors in public, regardless of vaccination status or individual risk (including in K-12 schools and other community settings).

•If you are at risk for severe illness, wear a mask or respirator that provides you with greater protection.



Tips and Ideas for Home

Do you have family members with medical conditions or a weakened immune system?

•People with certain underlying medical conditions are at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

•People who have a condition or are taking medications that weaken their immune system may not be fully protected even if they are up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines. They should talk to their healthcare provider about what precautions may be needed.

•If you are at increased risk for severe illness, or live with or spend time with someone at higher risk, speak to your healthcare provider about wearing a mask at medium COVID-19 Community Levels.

Where is your family going?

•Outdoor activities and settings are safer than indoor ones.

•Avoid places that are <u>poorly ventilated</u>.

•If someone in your family is younger than 2 years old or cannot wear a mask, limit visits with people who are not vaccinated or whose vaccination status is unknown and keep distance between your child and other people in public.

Regardless of which safer activities your family chooses, remember to protect yourself and others.





How to Talk to People Who Care for or Spend Time with Your **Family Member**

Learn how to talk to professional caregivers, extended family members, family friends, teachers, or other people your loved one spends time with about how to keep your loved one safe from COVID-19.

•Check that your child's school, childcare program, your family member's adult care program, or other caregivers are taking the necessary steps to protect your loved ones in their care.

Learn more about CDC's latest recommendations for K-12 schools and early care and education programs.

•Tell them to encourage your family member to wear a mask indoors in public during times when the <u>COVID-19 Community Level</u> is high.

Caregivers can help model mask-wearing for children who are too young to get vaccinated. •Let caregivers know, as appropriate, if your loved one or someone they live with has an underlying medical condition or a weakened immune system.

•Pack an extra mask in your child's backpack. If your child is old enough, ask if your child can bring hand sanitizer from home to use when they cannot wash their hands with soap and water.



Tips and Ideas for Home

Helping Your Family Member Cope

As families participate in more activities, children or other family members may worry about themselves, their family, and friends getting sick with COVID-19. They may feel anxious about going to school, childcare, or normal activities like grocery shopping or <u>gatherings</u>. Parents, family members, and other trusted adults can help your loved one make sense of what they hear.

•Make yourself available to listen and to talk. Let your family member know they can come to you when they have questions.

•Reassure your child or family member that they are safe.

•Let them know it is okay if they feel upset. Share with them how you deal with your own stress so that they can learn <u>how to cope</u> from you.

•Answer questions honestly and share facts about COVID-19 in a way that your family member can understand.

•<u>Teach children and other family members everyday actions</u> to reduce the spread of germs.

• Parents and caregivers can help by modeling these behaviors themselves.

•Discuss with your family member any <u>actions or routines that may be taken at school, childcare</u>, adult care, or other activities to help protect them and others.

•Take steps to protect you and your family's mental health.

- Try to keep up with regular routines.
- Find safe ways to keep your family connected with friends and other family members.
- <u>Teach your family healthy coping skills</u> by modeling them yourself. Take breaks, get plenty of sleep, exercise, and eat well.



THE BEARS (4-5 Year Olds) & KOALAS (5 Year Olds)

Howdy Families!

Our class had a fantastic month! The children learned about the transformation from caterpillar to butterfly, the beach and explored different kinds of kid experiments! We also conducted some great crafts and activities like straw fireworks. We had an awesome month, and we can't wait to see what next month brings!

Next month will be a sad but happy month. Sad because we will be sending off some of our kids to new adventures. But happy, we will be celebrating and having the best month ever! Each day, the children will have fun and new activities to complete. For example, the children will create large bubbles with strings and 2 sticks. The children will review basic topics like letters shapes and numbers as well.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Karla at 773-622-9433 ext. 27 Koalas Classroom, <u>karla@toddlertownchicago.com</u> or message us through the ProCare App. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach me through email at <u>megan@toddlertownchicago.com</u>





Thank You, Mrs. Megan & Ms. Karla







THE EXPLORERS (3-4 Year Olds)

In the month of July, the students learned about Independence Day, fireworks, caterpillars, butterflies, and the beach. We made fun crafts such as fork fireworks. The children dipped the bottom of a plastic fork into paint and spread the paint across their papers to create a firework. We also continued working on our ABC'S, numbers and shapes, tracing and writing names.

In the month of August, we will be working on basic shapes, 3D shapes, colors and mixing colors. We will discuss what we can make by using different shapes; such as a house, ice cream, pizza, etc. We will be working on mixing colors, as well as doing different activities such as, rainbow cups where the children will discover how different colors mix. The children will be able to learn and understand that we can make a lot of colors when we mix two or more colors.

Parents please don't forget to check your child's cubbies to see if your child needs clothes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at 773-622-9433 Ext 25 or via email at: <u>cintya@toddlertownchicago.com</u> Once again thank you for all your support!



Ms. Cintya







BUTTERFLIES (3 Year Olds)

Hello families!

I hope everyone is having a fun and safe summer! Our kiddos are more than excited to be able to enjoy the nice weather and practice their gross motor skills by going to the playground and nature walks! We learned about new themes like caterpillars, butterflies, beaches, fireworks, and science with having kid-friendly experiments! Also, our children reviewed basic shapes, numbers, and the alphabet!

For August, our children will learn about 3D shapes, Colors, and mixing colors! Along with these themes, there will be fun activities like mixing different color finger paints. We cannot wait to see what our children will discover.



Thank you in advance for your collaboration! If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at 773-622-9433 EXT 23

Or email me at Nataly@toddlertownchicago.com



-Ms. Nataly and Ms. Irene





TOUCANS (2 Year Olds)

Hello families!

Our class had a wonderful month in July!

We learned new themes like beach time fun, the colors of the American flag, and numbers. We also had fun activities and crafts. For example, the children completed a nice fireworks activity on a black piece of paper with fun colored paints. We had great weather, which allowed us to appreciate our time outside. We had an exciting month of learning and can't wait to see what the next month brings.

For August, we have some fun themes in store for the children! They will study colors, days of the week, shapes, and numbers. For this month, we have some fun activities. For example, we will do an activity with geometric shapes which will include houses and bears.

Thank You,

Ms. Fatima & Ms. Yvonne

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please email Ms. Fatima at <u>fatima@toddlertownchicago.com</u> Or Ms. Yvonne at <u>yvonne@toddlertownchicago.com</u> Or call 773-622-9433 Ext. 22



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