

Welcome to the Toddler Room!

We have a very busy year ahead as we prepare for the pre-school room! We will be focusing on:

- Sensory Experiences
- Shapes
- Colors
- Gross/Fine Motor Skills
- Social Skills
- Potty Training

In the toddler room we concentrate on developing our senses; specifically touch and taste. Special treat weeks give the children a chance to experience trying different kinds of fruits and vegetables. There are sensory tables that we place sand, seeds, and water in for the children to play with. The children love to get hands on with their art work! Shaving cream on the tables, finger painting, etc. We use our art projects as ways to further develop our gross and fine motor skills as well as our senses. During our morning circle time we sing special songs and read books that reinforce colors and shapes. We also have special "flash cards" for visuals of the colors and shapes. During station times we do parallel play in certain areas of the room where we work on our social skills (working on using our words, sharing, taking turns, etc.) Being potty trained before moving up into the pre-school room is not mandatory but it is ideal. As teachers, we have an open communication with each family when and if you feel your child is ready to potty train we are here to help that process along.

Throughout the year we will write out monthly calendars for the parents. On the calendars it will state what theme we are doing each week and what will we be doing each day. It will also tell you what monthly supplies are needed and if you have to bring in anything special on a certain day.

Extra Clothes: We ask that you keep 2 full sets of clothes in your child's cubby labeled with their names on it. So when spills or accidents occur we are prepared.

Bedding: Please supply clean bedding on the 1st day of the week that your child is here. We do not keep bedding for more than a week. This helps us keep illness at a minimum. All bedding is to be taken home on the last day your child is here for the week to be cleaned. **Please be sure to label the bedding with your child's name!**

Supply Requests: At the beginning of every month we will be asking for a supply request. This will be 2 of the following items: Wipes or Tissues. The teachers will let you know which of the supplies the classroom is in need of. Please keep up to date!

Celebrations: We will have classroom parties for the following holidays: Halloween (We also have a parade), Thanksgiving, Christmas (Santa visits) Valentine's Day, and Easter. Your child's birthday is also a celebration. Please coordinate with your child's teacher when the best time is for your child's celebration. This allows us enough time to make special arrangements for any child with allergies. We don't want anyone to feel left out. We also ask that if you are having a party outside of Tiny Town that you do not hang invitations on cubbies or folders if you are not inviting the whole class. We have numerous problems with hurt feelings. You can give the invitations to your child's teacher who will hand them to the parents if you would like.

Also, Please keep toys from home at home. Toys get lost in other Tiny Town toys and other children think the toys are theirs. If your child needs to bring something from home please bring 1 naptime snuggler.

Classroom Schedule

6:30-9:00: Arrival/ Breakfast/ Free Play (Breakfast from home prepared by the parent.
Tiny Town does not provide breakfast)

9:00-9:15: Diapers

9:15-9:30: Clean up time

9:30-9:45: Circle Time (Good morning, Shapes, Colors, Etc.)

9:45- 10:00: Snack (Provided by Tiny Town)

10:00-10:30: Station Time/ Art & Crafts

10:30-11:15: Large Motor/ Outside Time

11:00- 11:15: Diapers

11:15- 11:30: Music & Movement

11:30-11:45: Story Time

11:45- 12:05: Lunch & Nap Set up/ Movie Time

12:05-12:30: Lunch Time

12:30-3:00: Nap Time

3:00-3:30: Nap Clean up/ Diapers

3:30-3:45: Snack

3:45-6:00: Departure/ Free Play/ Outside