SPRING 2021 NEWSLETTER

We would like to welcome our new families and children who have joined the toddler program. We are always excited to meet new children when they begin the program.

Warmer temperatures are upon us as we welcome spring. Please remember to dress your child for the warmer weather and bring in extra clothing to be kept in their cubbies.

The toddlers have been enjoying our pretend play centre, as every week we have a new theme. The children loved working at their “ice cream shop” and handing out ice cream cones. They really enjoyed “the car garage”, which was a transformed refrigerator box. It also ended up being a fun fort for the children to enjoy. The children have been busy working on their creative skills, making different arts and crafts. Also they have been working on their green thumbs, planting, watering and learning all about how plants grow.

In the upcoming months, we will be taking some walks around the neighborhood and down to the lake. Also we will be having picnics at the lake, in our playground and on the school field. We will continue planting and watching our flowers grow. With the nice weather, we are able to spend more time outside doing activities such as, water play, circle time, dancing, movement, art, sensory and science experiments.

In our classroom, we have begun to change our birthday board and give it a spring vibe with flowers and bumble bees. Our art boards display the children's creations, which we regularly change. We also have a science board that displays some scientific discoveries made by our toddlers, like when they learned about volcanoes and planted and grew grass.

Our toddlers enjoy story time. They really like the book "GoodNight Moon" written by Margaret Wise Brown, it is one of their favourite books. They also enjoy numerous songs and fingerplays such as, 5 Little Monkeys. It is a big hit with our toddlers and it is enriching their vocabulary and promoting their oral language. Our toddlers are usually very talkative and curious, they love learning new things and asking questions.

Finally, there will be some changes to the staffing team. Nafiseh will be moving over to the Preschool 2 room so she will not be far away and the children will see her regularly. Kat will be joining the Toddler team and all of the children already know her, from seeing her down the hallway. Both will begin in their new rooms Monday, May 17th.

SQUISHY ART

A fun creative experience that children really enjoy is “Squishy Art”. It is a great sensory and creative experience for them to learn about mixing colours.

What You Will Need:	-Canvas (or White Sheet of Paper) -Assorted Paint Colours -Saran Wrap -Easy To Remove Tape -(Optional) Glitter

Step 1:	-Place your canvas (or white paper) down on a flat surface
Step 2:	-Pour assorted paint colours on your canvas (or white paper) and glitter (optional)
Step 3:	-Cover your canvas (or white paper) slowly with saran wrap
Step 4:	-Align the outer edges of the saran wrap with removable tape
Step 5:	-Have your child squish the paint around
Step 6:	-When your child is done, slowly peel off the tape and saran wrap to unveil what they have created
Step 7:	-Your child has now created a masterpiece! Lay it down to dry.

Please remember you can always reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns through the HiMama app, email toddler2lccc@gmail.com or by calling us at the centre

Toddler 2 Team - Cathy, Kelly and Nafiseh