



“A Rainbow of friends is a dream we can share where everyone’s treated with kindness and care.” P.K. Halinan

Dear Tiny Thinkers Families,

February the month of love ❤️. The month in which love, and affection is shown to friends, family, neighbors, our community & to everyone in the world.

Even though it's the shortest month of the year, it has so much to offer. This month, we will celebrate love, friendship, and special holidays like Valentine's Day. It's the perfect time to share kind words, give hugs, and make beautiful cards for those we care about. We're looking forward to all the fun and learning that February will bring. Stay warm and happy!

Here are some of the exciting things we have planned:

Upcoming Events:

- 1) Super Bowl: We will be celebrating the Super Bowl on Monday 2/10/2025. Children can wear their favorite NFL Jerseys to school. Children will be doing an art related to the NFL, which they will be able to take home.
- 2) Valentines Day Snack Party: Our annual Valentines Lunch party will be on Friday 2/14/2025. We are asking all parents to make sure that the treats that are brought in are **Nut-Free**. If you wish to bring in cards for your child to share with classmates feel free to do so, just make sure that cards are filled out where it says “From: (write your child’s name); To: My Friend”. There will be a potluck list provided for each class in which you will be able to sign up.
- 3) Presidents Day: We would like to inform you that School will be closed on Monday 2/17/2025 in observance for president’s day. Classes will resume back to session on Tuesday 2/18/2025, to regular schedule. Enjoy your 3-day weekend.

We encourage parents and guardians to get involved and ask their children what they have been learning in preschool. As always, please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We are excited to continue working with you and your children to foster a love of learning and curiosity that will last a lifetime.

Please make a note! The school is unable to allow make-up or substitute days for times that a child is absent. There will be NO refund given for days not attended. We DO NOT pro-rate tuition for vacation, sickness, holidays, or school closures. If you have any questions or concerns, please email or call.

### Resources:

In this section you will find important information which contains important resources for parents.

### **Challenging Behaviors:** Biting: Why is my child biting? How can I prevent it?

Biting is a behavior often observed in infants and toddlers. It is not uncommon for children of this age group to explore and express themselves in various ways and biting can be one of them when they are unable to express themselves. Though this behavior may be concerning to many, it is crucial to approach the topic with understanding and patience. Our staff are determined to create a comfortable, supportive and safe environment for all the children. There are alternative ways that may help staff and parents actively work on effective ways to teach the child to communicate and express their feelings. We encourage parents to work closely with teachers to promote parent-teacher partnerships as we can develop strategies to minimize and address the behavior. We are here to support you and your child during these formative years.

Please take the time to check out the links provided for you below to get more information about biting, how it can be prevented and treated.

- Websites with great information please check these out.
- <https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/mental-health/article/biting-fact-sheet-families>
- <https://www.naeyc.org/our-work/families/understanding-and-responding-children-who-bite>
- [EJ1150736.pdf](#)
- <https://www.zerotothree.org/resource/toddler-biting-finding-the-right-response/>
- [https://www.babycenter.com/health/injuries-and-accidents/human-bites-in-children\\_11228](https://www.babycenter.com/health/injuries-and-accidents/human-bites-in-children_11228)

### **Reminders for Parents:**

- **Sign-In/Out Clipboard:** If you notice your child's name highlighted on the sign-in/out clipboard, please see a member of the administration team.
- **Bringing Treats:** If your child brings treats for any occasion, please remember that some children have allergies. We appreciate your consideration.
- **Tiny Thinkers Tote Bags:** We encourage all children to use the Tiny Thinkers tote bag provided to bring their belongings to school.
- **Water Cups:** Each child is required to bring a water straw zippy cup for water only. Please refrain from using the cup for milk, juice, medicine, or any other substances.
- **Label Belongings:** Please label all of your child's belongings with their first and last name. Many children have similar clothing or even the same name, so labeling helps avoid confusion.
- **Appointments and Late Arrivals:** If your child has a doctor, dentist, or WIC appointment, please call the center by 9:30 AM to inform us they will be arriving late. The latest arrival time, even with a note, is 11:30 AM.

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## Teachers Corner

**This month our focus topic will be:**

Theme: Weather; Valentines Day; Transportation; Nocturnal Animals

Letter: (Ladybugs & Butterflies) Mm; Nn (BB1 & BB2) Yy; Zz; A, And, If, The, Run & Said

Number: (Ladybugs & Butterflies) 12; 13 (BB1 & BB2) 24; 25; 26; 27

Color: Red+White=Pink; Black

Shape: Heart; Octagon

Recyclable Project: Egg Carton Rain Cloud; Pool Noodle Boat

Cooking activity: Valentine Sandwich; Owl Rice Cakes

Science: Raincloud in Jar Experiment; Balloon Boats

Site Words: I Love You & Rain; Car & Owl

Sign Language: Make; Play; Said; Good

Spanish Vocabulario: Lluvia, Sol; Tarjetas, Amistad & Amor; Tren, Avión; Murciélago

Canción en español: Arroz con Leche; Medios de Transporte

Songs: Will You be My Valentine; Transportation Song

Character of Education: "Try, Try Again"; "Take Turns"; "Be Responsible"; "Be Generous"

Sensory: Jello Bin; Foam Bins

Outdoor Painting: Q-Tips Painting; Car Painting

Gross Motor Activity: Pass the Ball Through the Tunnel; Green Light, Yellow Light



**Happy Birthday to everyone  
born in this month of February**



*On your special day, that is your birthday, we wish the best of wishes. We hope that you spend your special day with your loved ones and family. We hope that all your wishes come true.*



**Sat. 2/1/2025** Black History Month

**Mon. 2/10/2025** Super Bowl Day

**Fri. 2/14/2025** Valentines Day Snack Party

**Mon. 2/17/2025** Presidents Day School Closed

