

Toddler I Classroom September 2024

Theme	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Reminders
Getting To Know You		3 Welcome To our Class	4 Getting To Know You	5 I Am Special	6 I Am Special	LABEL AND DATE BOTTLES DAILY
Getting To Know The Routine Color Red	9 Song Have You Ever Seen an Apple?	10 Sensory Washing Apples	11 Five Little Apples *Apple Craft	12 Caramel Apple Craft	13 Sensory Washing Apples	PLEASE BRING IN AN APPLE
Let's Talk About The Color Green	16 Painting Our Feet Green	¹⁷ Painting With Shades of Green	18 Counting Apples	19 Five Speckled Frogs Frog Craft	20 Frog Craft	PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING
The ColorYellow & !st Week Of Fall	23 Welcome Fall	24 Fall Sensory Bins	25 Exploring Leaves Song: Leaves	26 Orange, Yellow, Red and Brown	27 Craft Sunflowers	PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING
Fall & The Color Yellow	30 Craft Sunflowers	* Bible Songs, Jesus Loves Me, This Little Light of Mine The Lord's army	** Jesus is the reason we have you and me!	Jesus Made You Special		Please Bring Extra Clothes & Socks for The Cubbies



Dear Families-

Welcome to the Toddler I class. We're so glad to have you! We are excited and ready to learn about your kids and have lots of FUN! Your child's teachers are Ms. Carrie K. and Ms Barb,

I'm **Ms. Carrie K.** I have been a teacher here for 23 years. I started at MDO, now FCLC, after our youngest daughter was born. We have two daughters, Emma and Kelly. In my spare time I like to garden, go to antique stores, and bake. **I Love to bake**. If I could give you any Parenting advice I would just say to enjoy it All... the good, the bad, and the "ugly". Being a parent is so hard at times but it's also the best job in the world. It's true what everyone says... the years go by so fast!!

I'm **Ms Barb**, I've been a teacher here for 16 years. I started out as a parent and loved it so much that I became a teacher. This is my favorite age, 1-2 years old. They have so much fun participating and learning. I have 2 children and a 1 year old grandson. I enjoy spending time with my family, traveling, and the challenge of keeping my flowers alive in the summer. I look forward to getting to know your family.

Here is an idea of what we do in our Toddler I classroom on a daily basis. We try to do a mix of following the children's individual schedule while incorporating our daily schedule into the mix. This we have found helps the toddlers transition to more activities in their day.

- **Toddler 1 Daily Schedule** 6:30-9:00 Before Care 9:00-9:15 Drop off 9:15-9:35 **Change Diapers & Wash Hands** 9:45-10:10 Snack, Story, Songs, Flannel Board 10:15-10:20 Clean Up and Wash Hands 10:25-10:45 Art/ Sensory 10:50-11:00 Music and Movement 11:00-11:35 Gym/Outside 11:35-11:45 Change Diapers & Wash Hands 11:50-12:10 Lunch 12:15-12:25 Clean Up /Get Ready For Nap
- 12:30-2:00 Rest time (2:30 for aftercare)
- 2:00 Kids not in aftercare leave for the day
- 2:30 6:00 Aftercare

Because we have such a young group of Toddlers, we will probably have to adjust our daily schedule a bit and change as needed. If you are picking up your child before rest time

please plan on picking them up between 12:00-12:10. This helps with the transition of getting our little ready for nap time.

CLASSROOM SNACKS

This year your toddler will be starting group snacks with their classmates. Please bring enough 2-part snacks to feed 16 children once a month. Please bring these at the

beginning of the month. If your child has an allergy or food restrictions please reach out to us for other options for snack.

Snack ideas for Toddler I class-

<u>Grains</u>

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- Cheez Itz/ Ritz Crackers
- Graham Crackers
- Goldfish/ Bunny Crackers
- Veggie Straws
- Puffed Popcorn (Pirates Booty)
- Gerber Puffs
- Kix Cereal
- Life Cereal
- Breakfast Bars/ Fruit & Grain Bars
- Cheerios

Fruits/Vegetables

- Berries- cut up if needed
- Bananas- no need to cut, we will do that!
- Cut up peaches/ pears (fruit cups)
- Mandarin oranges (no need to peel)
- Fruit pouches
- Applesauce pouches
- Cut up melon/ watermelon
- Raisins
- Apples- cut up if needed

Dairy

- Yogurt pouches (Pease no Go-gurts in tubes :)
- String cheese/ cheese sticks
- Yogurt melts

Here's A Few Reminders:

- * All forms and papers must be turned in prior to the first day of school.
- * Fill out the intake form completely with any information you want us to know. Include any tips or tricks about your child that you think may be helpful to us e.g. any special napping routine.
- * Please bring a small package of diapers as we don't have a lot of extra storage (we provide wipes)
- * Send a pre-filled water bottle or leak proof cup with water every day for your child. We will refill it as needed
- * Bring 1-2 outfits, including socks, to keep in your child's cubby

* A sleeping bag and small pillow (if needed) These will be sent home each week and MUST be washed and returned each week- If your child is under the age of 1 yr old they will have a crib provided until they turn 1 yr old.

- * A special item your child needs for nap e.g. blanket, pacifier, "lovey" *PLEASE let us know if anything needs to go home daily
- * It is very helpful to have an extra pacifier (if needed) to keep at school.
- * Please bring a tube of diaper cream to keep at school (labeled)
- * Bring a 2 part snack on your child's first day (or two) of school. Please bring enough for 16 Children
- * Apply Sunscreen prior to coming to school during warm sunny days. Send sunscreen to keep at school to re-apply
- * We are always in need of plastic grocery bags. Feel free to send them to school. :)

* Please send a lunch box with a variety of foods from each food group for their lunch. We do not heat food or refrigerate food so please either pre heat the food and send in a thermos or put an icepack in their lunch box if needed. We do appreciate healthy finger food choices that are easy for your child to hold and eat by themselves as this helps them continue to develop their self help skills. We do provide 2% milk at our center for lunch- if your child does not drink this we will give them water or a milk alternative you send in for them.

LABEL EVERYTHING!! LABEL EVERYTHING!! LABEL EVERYTHING!!

We are very excited to work with your little ones this school year. We will be using procare parent engagement app to communicate with our families daily so be sure to check it out. The app provides instant communication and is updated throughout the day with their activities as well as pictures. (Please be mindful if we are having an extra busy or needy day there might be a delay in the communication via the app as it is our number one priority to meet the needs of the children first) Please communicate with us via the procare app, email, or telephone. The office number is 262-632-7311.

See you soon! Ms. Carrie K. :) <u>carrie.kiiskila@fclcwi.com</u> Ms. Barb <u>barb.martin@fclcwi.com</u>