



*From the desk of*

**Teresa Houston, ECDC Director**

Happy New Year!

Thank you for another exceptional year.

We are grateful for all of our wonderful families and the support we receive throughout the year.

As we begin a new year, I would like to remind you to please forward all updated information to the office (vaccination records, new address, phone number).

Please also ensure that your child has two weather-appropriate changes of clothes. And lastly, please help us keep you safe by expediting the pick up and drop off process. Teachers will be happy to have your child ready for pick up if you would like to call the classroom five minutes in advance of your arrival.

Thank you again for your support. Let's make this the best year yet!



## NURSERY & TRANSITION 1

The Nursery and Transition 1 students will be learning about:

### **Shapes and Sizes**

Lessons will help children develop confidence to explore and make sense of the world through simple problem solving and trial-and-error.

Cognitive focus: Students will begin to show interest in colors, shapes, patterns, and pictures. They will develop spatial understanding, including an awareness of how two-and three-dimensional objects can be fitted together.

*"Play is the highest expression of human development in childhood for it alone is the free expression of what is in a child's soul."*

*~Friedrich Frobel*



## TRANSITION 2 & PRESCHOOL

Transition 2/Preschool students will be researching and investigating:

### **Building and Creation**

Students will construct models of angles and arrange blocks to match blueprints. They will strengthen problem resolution by solving shape and color puzzles.

Literacy focus: Students will use a wide variety of words to label and describe people, places, things, and actions. Additionally, they will outline the information learned from stories to describe and retell details.

*"Children are not things to be molded; but people to be unfolded. "*

*~Jess Lair*



### **Mark your calendar for these important events:**

- January 2: Students return to school
- January 15: Closed in observance of MLK Jr. Day
- February 14: Friendship Day



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