

# First Congregational Learning Center

## Director's Notes:



Two weeks ago we had our DCFS re-licensing visit. Of course we passed with flying colors. I wouldn't expect anything different from the lovely hard working women who make FCLC such a fantastic learning environment. There is a new addition to the toddler room. Ms. Andrea comes to us ready to join our team and work with Ms. Donna, Ms. Joan and Ms. Aubrey. In the next few weeks each classroom will have a frame outside of the door with pictures of the teachers in the classroom. As you know some teachers do help out when needed in other rooms. Their picture however, will be at the room which is considered their main room. I have also been working on being able to take credit card payments. With any luck I will have it approved by the church cabinet soon and I will be able to give the details about how to begin the process. As always, I am available if you have questions, thoughts or concerns. You can contact me by email or make an appointment to talk in person; [kchoate@uccdg.org](mailto:kchoate@uccdg.org)/630-206-4910)

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## Infant News (Room 204)

Happy Spring to all !!!! Infants have been very busy and active this past month. When playing ring around the rosey, they giggle and smile as we all fall down together. The children have been exploring plastic eggs, which is great for fine motor development. Hopefully the weather will start to feel more like spring, and less like winter. As it warms up, we will be heading outside more often. Please make sure your child has the appropriate attire for outdoor play. We are always available if you have any questions or concerns.

## Toddler News (Room 202)

Spring has sprung and the toddlers are ready to spend more time outdoors exploring the natural world. We are going to share in learning experiences as we are walking, climbing and running outside. Seeing and having conversations with our teachers about all the changes to our environment allows us to build our vocabulary and comprehension, as well as increase our understanding of the world around us. We are planning activities that will engage us in learning about springtime, different animals that are coming out of hibernation, and plant buds & blossoms.

Inside our classroom, we are going to work on our interactions with one another: making friends and developing positive relationships. As our teachers model respect and guide us to play together, we will be encouraged to express compassion along with working on sharing. Daily activities like lining up to wash our hands, looking at books together, and taking turns will help us develop a positive team work attitude.

## Preschool News (Room 203)

Spring has sprung and room 203 is in full bloom! The month of April will be filled with all things nature. We will be exploring flowers and seeds, growing some of our own plants, and having our own flower shop! We will also be discussing fruits and vegetables, how they grow, and what farm life is like. The month will conclude with celebrating Earth Day. Discussions about how we can keep the earth clean, will help us learn about refusing, reusing and recycling, as well as what we can do to protect our world! It's going to be another busy month but we are excited and ready to go!



## Preschool News (Room 205)

Spring brings new life to the world around us. So many different weather patterns in spring! Our Clifford Reader will show us how animals take care of themselves in different weather conditions. Then we'll step back in time to learn about prehistoric times and become scientists to make cool dinosaur discoveries. We will also explore the outdoors for the changes of spring and clean up our park to celebrate Earth Day. Please save us some small boxes, (tissue, shoe etc.) paper tubes and such for special creations during this time. Lots to look forward to in the month of April!