

Children's Center Info



where it all begins...

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Spring Break!

This year Spring Break is March 26th - March 30th. Spring Break hours for daycare children will be from 6:00 am - 4:00 pm. We will be **closed Friday, March 30th** in observance of Good Friday. Parents who are in need of child care for that week are asked to **sign up in the main office by Friday, March 9th**. Children who have **OUTSTANDING BALANCES** and who are not signed up for that week, will not be able to attend.

Black History Program

Thank you for coming out and supporting our children at our annual Black Cultural Program. It was truly a success and the children did an amazing job.

Staff Development

Thursday, March 15th is staff development day. The school will close at 4:00pm on this date at 4:01pm all late fees will apply. We are thanking all parents in advance for your cooperation.

Pizza Party

We will have our monthly Pizza party fundraiser Friday, March 16th. As a reminder the money is due on Tuesday, March 13th. This is a no-uniform day. The cost of the pizza party is \$5.00 per child.

Tax Season

It's tax season once again! The Children's Center EIN# is 36-3726222. This number can also be found on the Children's Center receipt. Year end statements was emailed out on January 8th. Please do not call the school requesting these numbers. **You received a detail email on how to access your year-end-statement through the myprocare.com website.**

Get Your Tickets Now!

Boys, grab your mom, aunt or grandmother and join us, Friday, April 20th from 7pm—9pm, for a night of fun! There will be food, a DJ, prizes and other fun activities! Dress like your favorite superhero! This is an event that you don't want to miss. Tickets are **\$20 per family of three. (mom and two children) \$5 for each additional child.** Which can be purchased in the main office. Please see the office if you have additional questions.

Thank You!

Thank you for coming out and supporting this event, it was truly a success.

The Children's Center, Inc. would like to invite you to our 2nd annual "Breakfast with the Bunny" and Egg Hunt! Saturday, March 24th Breakfast will be served from 9:00-11am, the Egg Hunt will begin promptly at 11:30am. Tickets are \$5.00 per person and should be purchased by March 20th. Pictures with the Bunny will be available for \$2.00 each.

Children's Center, Inc. has gone **GREEN!** In February we introduced ProCare Kid Reports! Join our online family today by making sure that we have your correct email and current cell number on file. You can update your information on [MyProcare](#). Our transition will begin Monday, February 5th.

Make the Connection!

ChildrensCenterChicago.org

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Keep up with important school information, deadlines, school closings and more!

CHILDREN'S CENTER PLEDGE

I am a Children's Center scholar.
I pledge to do my best.

I pledge to show the world that my destiny is success.

I pledge to be responsible for every task given to me.

I pledge to be respectful and carry myself with dignity.

I pledge to take pride in everything I do and to be a reflection of the school's motto so that I may empower others, too.

Be Respectful,
Be Responsible
Be Your BEST!

School Closed!!

GOOD FRIDAY
March 30th

Only you can control your future.

Dr. Seuss



Daddy Daughter Dance

SPRING EGG-Stravaganza

GOING GREEN

What's Happening Next....

March 2018

Date	Event
9	Ms. Libby Birthday!
13	Pizza Party Money Due! \$5.00
15	Staff development: Early Pick-up 4:00pm
16	Pizza Party
24	Spring Egg-Stravaganza 9am
26—30	Spring Camp, 6—4pm
30	School Closed in observance of Good Friday!

EDUCATION

Here are a few common types of toddler-preschool activities that engage your child's interest, help your child learn new skills, and strengthen your bond with your child:

Collecting Souvenirs

By enjoying a simple walk around the block or a trip to the local park can be a learning activity. Items such as special rocks, fallen leaves, a flower from a shrub, or any object that catches your child's attention and evokes interest are great souvenirs that represent the experience.

Make Music

Whether you have any instruments, you can teach your child about keeping time and rhythm by creating your own. You can use an empty oatmeal or grits box or metal pan that can be hit with a spoon (different types, different sounds) to keep time. Filling an empty soda can or bottle with dried peas/beans then taping the open top to make a maraca.

NUTRITION:

Plan meals with your children to insure you all get enough of the ABCD's:

- * Vitamin A is essential for growth, development and healthy immune system. You can get it from animal products, colorful fruits and vegetables.
- * B vitamins are needed for energy, brain function and stress management. So avoid a lot of processed foods and refined carbohydrates.
- * Vitamin C is a powerful antioxidant for a healthy inflammation response and is crucial for immune and brain function.
- * Vitamin D plays a major role in bone development, so deficiencies in this vitamin can impair growth. Exposure to sunlight causes the body to produce Vitamin D -- and children love to play outside.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Teach children healthy habits by being a role model that help them make safe and healthy choices every day.

- * Buckle up every day, every seat, every trip.
- * Put on sunscreen and avoid indoor tanning.
- * Brush & floss teeth to help prevent tooth decay.
- * Wash hands with clear running water and apply soap. Rub hands for at least 20 seconds then rinse.
- * Be active with your children. Children need a total of 60 minutes of physical activity every day.
- * Be smoke-free and protect your children from second-hand smoke.
- * Be a healthy role model. Show your child what it means to be healthy.

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www.workforceboard.org



April 3rd & 4th is Science Fair days for Children's Center Academy students (1:30pm—3:30pm). All students in grades Kdg—3rd must participate. All students are asked to bring in his/her project on Monday, April 2nd. Science Fair projects will account for 50% of their Science grade. Science Fair guidelines will be given to each student. Parents are asked to assist their child(ren) with his/her project.

LATE PROJECTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.



Due to budget cuts and low enrollment, effective **September 1, 2018** the Children's Center, Academy will no longer service full day 1st—3rd grade. We will assist parents in finding a school suitable for your child to attend. **We will continue to offer FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN, Before and After School and full day services during the summer months and when school is out, where it all begins... to children up to age 12.**



Black History Facts 365

March 1, 1960

Four national chain stores announced on October 17 that counters in about 150 stores in 112 cities in North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Texas, Tennessee, Missouri, Maryland, Florida and Oklahoma had been integrated.

March 1, 1827

Freedom's Journal, first black newspaper, published by John Russwurm and Samuel Cornish, founded 1827.

March 3, 1863

Daft Act Passed

During the height of the Civil War, Congress passed this act which mandated military service for all men between the ages of twenty and forty five.

College Facts 365

Oberlin College was also the first to graduate an African-American woman in 1862—her name was Mary Jane Patterson.

Happy Birthday

Miceala Barnett
 Ulysses Floyd
 Jocelyn Holmes
 Demetrius Johnson

Landon M Jordan
 Kevin Smith
 Denim C Willis

Staff Birthday's

Ms. Libby —3/9
 Ms. Cynthia —3/9
 Ms. Natalie —3/17
 Ms. Tina —3/21
 Ms. Jaylyn —3/25
 Ms. Terra - 3/25