



### <u>Infant, Toddler, Preschool, Kindergarten & School Age Programs</u> <u>February 2021 Newsletter</u>

\*\*Our Tax ID # for your records: 22-2157202\*\*

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Do you want to learn about what makes your child "tick", and in turn learn new techniques that will help your family unit to communicate more effectively?

## The S.T.E.P Parent Program (provided in English & Spanish!)

starts on Thursday, March 4th. Email or call Daniela to sign up: danielap@mtolivechildcare.org 973-426-1525



Our Center partners with Preschool Advantage, an organization that funds (3) ½ days per week of preschool during the school year! To find out if you qualify, please stop at the front desk for an application – or visit their website at

www.preschooladvantage.org or call 973-532-2501.

Their application deadline date is March 1, 2021.



Healthy Heart Day will be on Friday, February, 12th from 7:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. Healthy Snacks & Resources will available all day in our foyer!



On Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, our <u>children will</u>
<u>celebrate Valentine's Day</u> with various
goodies & activities! Please be on the
lookout for your child's teacher to share
more information on what each individual
classroom has planned!



# \*COMING SOON\* Teacher Zoom Rooms

At the request & recommendation of our Parent Advisory Group, your child's class teachers will be inviting you to a Zoom class meeting in the next few weeks. This will give parents the opportunity to find out more about what's happening in your child's classroom; daily schedule, curriculum, etc., as well as to ask questions of the teacher. This will not be a parent/teacher conference format, of course, but a new & innovative way to stay connected about overall class information.



Please remember that on Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, the **CENTER WILL BE CLOSED** for Presidents' Day.

The staff will participate in a full day of professional development.



Although we use Class Dojo to communicate with most all parents, some are having some technical difficulties with the app. While this is being resolved, please remember that email is still a vital form of communication used at the Center. We frequently email private messages, as well as flyers, memos, etc. and we need parents to be sure to check their email regularly. Thank you!



United Way and its partners are helping ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) and poverty level individuals get the most from their federal & state tax returns by offering FREE TAX PREPERATION!

Call 973-993-1160 ext. 5 to make an appointment at a free tax site! Also, please pass along this info to anyone you might feel would benefit!

Informational postcards are available in the lobby by other parent resources.



We encourage you to talk with your child about African-Americans who have made wonderful contributions to our lives. The public library & the internet is a great place for research. Our teachers will be incorporating great information in the monthly curriculum, too!

#### Look ahead to ...



- Daylight Savings Time begins March 14th - clocks forward!
  - St. Patrick's Day Celebration
     March 17th