



## Newsletter 2016

### Directors Desk:

WELCOME to the children and staff who joined the **STEPS TO HOPE FAMILY** during the month of August.

Congratulations to Mrs. Christy who completed her Associates Degree in Early Childhood Education. Also congrats to Mrs. Mary and Miss Kim for earning a CDA. They all have worked very hard and we are proud of your accomplishments.

Each classroom has started decorating their classroom doors for our seasonal door decorating contest. We will be asking the parents to judge the doors on September 30<sup>th</sup> by filling out a ballot that will be handed to you at the time of drop off Friday Morning.

### Important Dates in September:

- ❖ Labor Day-9/5-(We are Closed!)
- ❖ Picture Day-9/8
- ❖ Teddy Bear Day-9/9
- ❖ First Day of Autumn-9/22

### September Birthdays:



\*Jva-9/17 \*Peyton-9/26

\*Mrs. Sherry-9/08 \*Mrs. Kin-9/29

### Notes from our Teachers:



#### Infant Room: (Ms. Roxanne & Mrs. Julie)

Welcome to our class Allasia & Madison and goodbye to Laraya who moved up to the one-year-old classroom. Please don't forget to take home and read daily sheets. Be mindful of the weather changing and switch out extra clothing accordingly. Remember to label bottles and sign your child in/out daily.

#### 1 Yr. Old Room: (Mrs. Amy & Ms. Kim)

The month of September we will be working on taking turns. Also helping our new friends feel welcome to our class. We are asking all of our parents to donate pictures of your family for your child's collage. We will post their collages around the classroom. We are in need of small bird feeders that can attach to our classroom windows. Thank you so much for all your support.

#### 2 Yr. Old Room: (Mrs. Sherry & Mrs. Mary)

This month we will be working with activities to expand the children's motor skills. For the older two's we will be introducing scissors (for various art activities) as well as other manipulative toys for the children to use and explore. Also we will be using different size balls for gross motor development and working with the children 'shooting baskets'/basketball. We will continue to work on various self-help skills such as: putting on/off shoes, washing hands and using a spoon.

#### 2 1/2-3 Yr. Old Room: (Ms. Melissa & Mrs. Christy)

Themes for the month: Labor Day, Community Workers, Leaves, Apples. We will be discussing the Apple Festival this month. If you have the chance to take your child to the festival, please do.... The children always seem to really enjoy it!

#### 4-5 Yr. Old Room: (Mrs. Wendy)

This is going to be a very exciting month!! The themes for this month are: Labor Day, Apples, Leaves, and Community Workers. We will begin to work on learning our colors, numbers and even recognizing our name. Parents, please leave all toys at home. The children are only allowed to bring 1 stuffed animal and a blanket. The blanket needs to be taken home on Wednesday to be washed and returned on Thursday.