

February 2024

Toddler 2 Calendar



Important Days:

- February 19th – Family Day
(centre will be closed)
- February is **Black History Month**

Family Day activity:

Several indoor pavilions are open year round at the Toronto Zoo, however if you don't want to make the trek, Zoo to You is available online at all times!

<https://www.torontozoo.com/zootoyou>

Recipe of the month:

Roasted Chicken

Ingredients:

- A whole chicken
- ½ cup butter, softened
- 1 large orange or 2 small clementines
- 1 large onion, chopped roughly
- 1 head of garlic
- 1 tbsp each dried rosemary, basil, oregano, and thyme

Directions:

1. Preheat your oven to 350°F
2. Mix the herbs and butter together in a small bowl, set aside
3. Chop the onion; cut the orange in quarters or halve the clementines
4. Peel off most of the skin from the garlic
5. Rub butter and herbs all over the chicken, making sure you get some under the skin
6. Stuff the chicken with orange/clementines, onion and garlic
7. Bake for roughly 1 hour or until chicken is completely cooked
8. Serve with your choice of side and enjoy!

Black History Month:

The theme for Black History Month 2024 is *Black Excellence: A Heritage to Celebrate; a Future to Build*.

At Terry Tan, we appreciate every opportunity to engage in open dialogue and are committed to learning more about the stories of Black communities in Canada. As always, we encourage our families to share their own stories, culture, and experiences with us in whatever way they wish. It is important for our children to see themselves represented in the classroom; this representation contributes to their sense of belonging and well-being and allows them to engage with peers of different cultures in a respectful manner while simultaneously learning about one another.



What we are working on:

Pre-reading skills:

- Matching letter to letter and uppercase to lowercase letters (3.11, 4.9)

Math skills:

- Counting objects to determine quantity (4.13)

Self-help skills:

- Independently getting tissues and wiping our noses and washing hands afterwards (2.5)

Gross motor & fine motor skills:

- Walking up and down stairs with little to no assistance (5.1)
- Practicing using toddler-safe scissors (5.2)

