



ELIZABETH MASCIA CHILD CARE CENTER

Dear Friends and Families,

As summer ends, we are excited to start a new school year. The Center is a busy place; new families are entering; preschoolers are moving on and lots of children are moving into new classrooms as they age out of their previous placements. Our staff works diligently to make these transitions as seamless as possible.

Over the past year we've instituted some new enrichment programs which we intend to continue and expand. Karate, Leap Smart/Movement and Music, and Fit Mobile to name a few. Our relationships with the Greenburgh Nature Center, Music with Miss Delores and Yoga with Ms. Natasha, continue to flourish. We've had a Summer Backyard BBQ featuring our new caterer and the Center's favorite Pied Piper animals. Mark your calendar for our Fall Festival on October 20!

Our "Remind" App allows all families to have current information and be informed of upcoming programs and any schedule changes in a timely manner. Our new food provider's meals are both nutritious and delicious!

We are so lucky to have such a wonderful vintage school building to house our program. As you might imagine, the building's age also presents some challenges as we seek to maintain it and preserve its character. Unlike school districts which close during the summer months, in child care we are always open. A few years ago, we instituted an annual one-week closure at the end of August. This time allows us to do necessary maintenance, repairs and deep cleaning while the building is empty. Last year, we replaced all the windows in the building with safe, modern, efficient inserts. We did some painting, flooring and upgraded some of our lighting. Earlier this year we upgraded our kitchen facilities. Now we are replacing the flooring throughout the lower level, painting all the first-floor classrooms and offices as well as all the wood trim on the exterior of the building. We're adding to our security systems, creating expanded storage capacity and more. Additionally, as part of our long-term plan we are working with the Village of Tarrytown to enhance our playground equipment and play areas.

At EMCCC we constantly strive to maintain a strong early childhood learning environment, supporting the physical and emotional well-being of all the children in our care. We look forward to another enriching, productive, and educational year for all.

Thank you for entrusting your children to us.

Sincerely,

Cathy Lopane-Chulla

President, Board of Directors
Elizabeth Mascia Child Care Center