

## Special Treats Policy

### Policy:

We encourage special treats to not be food related. We encourage that all edible special treats that are provided by family members are store bought.

Below is a list of ideas and approved items that may be shared with classmates for birthdays, holidays, or other celebrations:

- Store bought treats
- Stickers
- Bubbles
- Temporary tattoos
- Fun pencils (4 years and up)
- Little coloring or activity books
- Little play dough containers
- Donate a new book to the classroom in honor of the birthday boy/girl

### Procedure:

- When possible, directors and teachers should receive the items directly from the parent when they are being dropped off.
- Many small toys/trinkets are made with small parts and may not be suitable for children under 3 years of age.
- A director or teacher should check packages for a factory label for the recommended age in regards to safety before distributing to the class personally or allowing a parent or child to distribute.

When communicating or enforcing this policy, the director and/or teacher should be sure to thank the parent for their cooperation in monitoring what they bring into the classroom.