

# August Seedlings News 2017

It is hard to believe that this will be our last month with most of our group. Due to circumstances we have had many of these babies like Jasper, Vivian, Hunter and Owen much longer than we normally do. We have been there for their first rolls, found their favorite tickle spots, encouraged them to crawl, introduced them to new foods, cheered their first steps, and heard their first words. We have laughed with them and held them while they cried. We have encouraged them to try new things with a few encouraging words or sometimes just a look. Even though we know they are ready and it is past time for them to move on to the big seeds we will miss them tremendously.

Even though Jasper is a confident walker now he still loves anything he can push around the classroom or outside. Hunter has moved from walking to running and seems to have an endless supply of energy and hugs. Owen has gained enough confidence and skill walking that he has given up crawling and is very affectionate with his friends and the younger babies. Vivian is a little more cautious but has started taking steps and loves the cheers and praise she gets for efforts; however she knows she is faster on all fours.

Sawyer and Dominick will also be moving over and though we haven't had them as long as the other four we will miss them just as much. They are both pulling up to a stand and working on their balance. At least we will still get to see their handsome smiles outside for a couple more months and get hugs and cuddles.

The older babies have been joining the big seeds for breakfast and lunch at the table and then napping on a cot. We have also been having morning and afternoon time outside with the big seeds so they have spent a lot of time getting to know Ms. Jessica and Ms. Erin.

Emma and Charlotte will be staying with us for a few more months. Emma has learned how to sit herself back up from laying down and is getting up on her hands and knees and trying to crawl. She will be on the go before we know it.

Charlotte has mastered sitting on her own and is getting more comfortable hanging out on her tummy. She really likes when Emma is around to talk to her and keep her company.

We want to thank all our parents for letting us be such a big part of their babies' lives. It is such an amazing gift to get to see these little guys grow from helpless infants to confident and capable toddlers. We love seeing how each child's individual personalities and preferences develop and how they bond and play not only with us but with their classmates as well. It is such a gift to be trusted to help these precious little ones grow and blossom.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child moving over or have not had a chance to meet one or both of the big seed teachers let us know so we can do what we can to make the move as comfortable for you as it will be for your child. You will also be receiving a welcome letter shortly with a class schedule and supply list.

We hope everyone has a great month.

Ms. Jolene, Ms. Evelina and Miss. McKenzie