

Seedling News

Teagan is officially a walker and a runner! She is on the go and there is no stopping her. She keeps trying to get **Boden** to walk with her, but he has only taken a few steps while holding her hand. Despite his amazing balance, he's still working on his confidence. We love watching these two play chase and peek-a-boo, while babbling and squealing together. They're quite the pair. Boden wants to be a rock star; he loves banging the pots and pans outside, like they are his personal drum set.

Adelyn keeps inventing new ways to move around the room that don't involve crawling; like rolling onto her back and scooting herself backwards to where she is trying to go. She is starting to do a commando crawl intermittently and has figured out how to push herself from her stomach back to a sit. Adelyn's not sure how she feels about the grass outside though and it's funny to watch her sit in the grass with her feet lifted up so they don't touch it. **Kellen** has shifted his crawl into forward gear and is picking up speed fast. He is really enjoying his mobility and has even started to pull himself up onto his knees when playing with the activity cube. **Pierce** has also started pulling himself up onto his knees in the ball pit and was super excited about the introduction of Big Seed food. He's eating it up by the fist full...yum!

Despite his small size, **Knox** is determined to keep up with the big guys and has started pulling up and cruising the toy shelves and activity cubes. He disapproves of not being allowed to dig in the garden dirt outside and eat it though. With the weather warming up earlier in the morning, **Reese** has been able to enjoy some outside time and loves the attention she gets from the Big Seeds when she is hanging out in her jumper in the fresh air. She has also started rolling from her back to her belly and is enjoying more tummy time. **Scarlett** has also mastered rolling from her back to front and enjoys watching her friends from this vantage point. She is doing a lot of kicking and pushing with her feet on her stomach and looks like she might be on the move before we know it. **Nick** has been a great little addition to our room and will watch us intently as we move around the room and always smiles when he hears us talking. We love his little giggle and how he coos when you talk to him. He loves cooing to his toys while hanging out in his baby gym and has even started reaching up and grabbing them.

In May, we will be welcoming big Bud Lincoln's baby brother **Sawyer** to our room. We look forward to getting to know him and seeing more of his family again. We will be loaning **Linda** to Lane in the Blossom room for a few weeks while he waits for his new co-worker to arrive. We will miss her, but appreciate her flexibility. While she is gone, **Amy** will be filling in for her in the mornings. She has worked the seedling room in the past and we are happy to have her back even if only for a short time. She will do great!

Baby its cold inside...as much as we love seeing the babies in all their cute little summer outfits (bare chubby arms and legs), sometimes the A/C can make our room a little chilly. We ask parents to please keep a warmer outfit or sweater at school so if they get too cold inside we can layer them or change their clothes. Classroom temperature can be unpredictable and we want them to be comfortable inside and out so we don't mind changing them as needed.

We have really enjoyed our time outside the last couple weeks and appreciate parents bringing in sunscreen in such a timely manner. We try to keep them in the shade as much as possible, but once they are mobile they like to be able to explore the yard. We know most of them don't like wearing hats, but if you would like to bring one in to protect their heads we are happy to work with them on it. Shoes are also a good idea because the tiles can get pretty hot on bare feet when the temperature rises.

We hope everyone has a great month!

Ms. Jolene, Ms. Haley and Ms. Linda