

**Growing Tree Children's Center**  
**Blossom Newsletter – April 2016**

Dear Families,

We want to thank you again for your time during conferences. As always, please feel free to share any questions, concerns, ideas you may have.

As you know, Lauren will be leaving us to pursue other endeavors. Tiina and Linda have both worked frequently in the classroom. They will be sharing the day with me – Linda in the mornings and Tiina in the afternoons. They are thoughtful, energetic and caring. Change may be difficult, but it is a constant element of our lives. Often we don't choose change for ourselves – it just occurs and we are left with the choice to struggle against it or to move forward. I hope we can navigate together and view this transition as an opportunity to learn and grow.

Our building project will be coming to an end this week. Your children have been so creative, intentional and cooperative during this study of buildings. I look forward to seeing what more they will create, design, build and review in the coming weeks.

Beginning next week we'll start our study of life cycles and what we know about how things grow. As the weather warms up we'll be spending more time outside. Because we will be playing with dirt, water, planting, and gardening you may choose to dress your child in clothes that are appropriate for messy, hands-on learning.

We are in search of any spare seeds, soil, plant clippings or offshoots, house plants, gardening tools, gardening gloves (children's sized), starting trays, flowers, and watering cans!

Thank you for all you do for your children, it was a pleasure sharing their strengths with you at conferences.

All the Best to you,

Lane