

Big Seed Happenings



We made it through the first month of the year! Now that January is over the Big seeds seems to be getting back into the groove of things. Lillian and Lulu have teamed up as our official class greeters. They never miss an opportunity to wave and say, "Hi," and they make sure to wish you well as you leave with a big smile, a friendly wave and a sweet, "Bye-bye". Teddy has been very interested in our big trucks this past month and loves to push them around on the floor and tabletops. Donovan has been playing with a little black and white dog pull toy. He holds the string in one hand and pulls the dog behind him when he walks. Speaking of walking, Ronin has really taken off in his mobility. Each day he progresses as he walks a little further than the day before and you can just tell by his big smile that he is so proud of himself.

Izzy is also working on her own mobility and is constantly scooting around on her bottom and pulling herself up using shelves, tables and even her teachers to help herself into a kneeling position. Keep up the hard work Izzy! Aspen has really been enjoying our "snowball fights" using our cotton fluff balls. She loves to throw them back and forth with her teachers and each time one of them hits her, her face lights up and all you can hear are giggles. Aubree is fitting in well as a Big Seed. She has been sending a lot of time at the home center kitchen exploring with all the pots and toy utensils and chewing on the toy food. She has been a wonderful addition into our classroom.

In February we will be exploring all different types of birds and hearts. We will engage the Big Seeds in cognitive games like "Find-the-bird" and they will **LOVE** shaking up our Valentine themed sensory bottles filled with colorful hearts and glitter.

Books: *Ten Little Kisses; Snuggle Puppy; Hoot: A Counting Book; and Little Owl's Colors*

Signs:

Bird- Make the bird sign by making a beak shape with your index finger and thumb and bringing those two fingers together to your mouth. Then tweet like a bird, by bringing your fingers together and apart.

Love- To sign love, make your hands into fists and cross your arms across your chest as if giving yourself a big squeeze.

Diaper- Take your hands and place them down around your waist. Take your index fingers and middle finger together from each hand and tap them on your thumbs.

Songs:

Five Little Ducks

Five little ducks went out one day
Over the hill and far away.
When mama duck said quack, quack, quack
Four little ducks came waddling back.
Four little ducks...
Three little ducks...
Two...
One...
No little ducks...
When daddy duck said quack, quack, quack
Five little ducks came waddling back

Two Little Blackbirds (finger play)

Two little blackbirds sitting on a hill.
(both index fingers held in front of you)
One named Jack, the other named Jill.
(put fingers forward one at a time)
Fly away Jack, fly away Jill.
(hide behind back, first one and then the other)
Come back Jack, come back Jill.
(bring back out, first one and then the other)

Little Bird

Little bird, little bird fly around
Up to the sky, down to the ground.

Little bird, little bird flap your wings
Open your beak and sweetly sing.

Little bird, little bird fly to your nest
Now it is time to take a rest.

The More We Get Together

The more we get together
Together, together
The more we get together
The happier we'll be

'Cause your friends are my friends
And my friends are your friends
The more we get together
The happier we'll be

There's (Enter each child's name)

The more we get together
The happier we'll be

Reminders for February:

- We do celebrate Valentine's Day with the traditional cards except instead of writing each child's name just sign your own child's name or have them sign it. During the morning we will have each child hand out their cards into handmade holders for each

child. PLEASE NO CANDY as we will be served a special Valentine's Day snack. Thank you!

- We will be **CLOSED** February 18th for our teacher in-service day.

Ms. Jessica & Ms. Erin



Feb-19

"A Little Birdie Told Me..."



	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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				Peacocks In Our Classroom
4	5	6	7	8
Little Owls	Cupcake Birds	A Little Birdie's Home	Love Birds	Heart Stamping
11	12	13	14	15
Flamingos	"I Love You" Footprints	Flock of Birds	Marble Hearts	"Bird Watching"
18	19	20	21	22
CLOSED	Colorful Parrots	Bird Feeders	Pretty Peacocks	Feather Painting
25	26	27	28	
Bird Nests	Baby Birds	"Bluebird, Bluebird"	Snowy Owls	

Notes:

This Month's Books:
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