

THE MONTHLY **SPROUT 2**

GROWING TREE CHILDREN'S CENTER

October 1, 2020

Dear Sprout Families,

"Today is a great day to learn something new"

Our September study was "All about School." We focused getting to know one another and exploring the Sprout room. For many of our Sprouts the BIG playground was a real treat. Everyone had so much fun!

We would like to welcome our new students; **Theodore, Madeleine, Cormac, McKenzie, Easton, and Rory** to Sprout 2. We are excited to get to know everyone and you, their family! **Om, Brynley, Ellie** and **Quinn** have already done a great job making our new friends feel included and comfortable in their new space.

Theo has been enjoying building with Legos and blocks while **Mac** loves putting the train tracks together. **McKenzie** is practicing her walking skills and likes reading books with her owl. **Ellie** has been putting the babies to bed and sometimes sings to them. **Maddie** loves the play structure and is ready to get back out there now that the smoke has cleared. **Quinn** has discovered that he loves bowling! He sets up the pins and is excited to see them fall. **Easton** is interested in bird watching from inside the classroom as well as reading about them in books. **Om** and **Brynley** love to make pretend trips to the store for ice cream upon request to share with the class.

October's theme is "Peek-a-boo".

Books:

- Where's the Pumpkin?
- Llama Llama Trick or Treat
- Peek-a-boo

Songs:

- The Itsy-Bitsy Spider
- Five Little Pumpkins

Developing independence is a focus in our classroom. Encouraging the Sprouts to do as much for themselves as they can is their work. They are enormously proud of their work and we encourage their "can do" attitude.

Our new drop off/ pick up routine is a perfect example of independence. Our Sprouts walk down the hall to our classroom and enter very confidently with a big smile on their face. Other ways they exhibit independence is at clean up time, scraping their plates after a meal, getting their cots ready for nap, and washing their own hands.

Even though we do not get to see you face to face each day to share your child's day, we would like to reassure you that your children have been adjusting wonderfully well. We hope you are enjoying the Bright wheel app which allows us to give you little highlights of your child's day. We also enjoy your messages to us.

With Fall fast approaching it is important that your child has clothes at school to layer for those cool mornings and warm afternoons. Also, if you could bring diapers every Monday, it will help ease our drop offs in the morning.

Thank you all for being so patient and considerate through the many changes this year. We appreciate you and we are here for you and your children so please do not hesitate to ask questions.

Ms. Kelcy and Ms. Tracy



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This Month's Books:
<u>Peek-a-boo</u>
<u>Growing Pumpkins</u>
<u>Lulla's Perfect Pumpkin</u>
<u>Too Many Pumpkins</u>
This Month's Songs:
<u>5 Little Pumpkins</u>
<u>Itsy Bitsy Spider</u>
<u>The Leaves are falling</u>

Peek-a-BOO!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 Flying bats	6 Painting with pudding	7 Orange fingerpainting	8 Block stamping	9 Crunchy leaves
12 Black Cats	13 Pumpkin Mush	14 Tape Craft	15 Green fingerpainting	16 Orange glue art
19 Real pumpkin Painting	20 Toothbrush painting	21 Dot markers	22 Collage	23 Watercolors
26 Q-tip craft	27 Crayon art	28 Sponge painting	29-Jan Stamping	30-Jan Fall trees



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