

THE MONTHLY **SPROUT 2**

GROWING TREE CHILDREN'S CENTER

November 2021

Sprout Families,

October has been such a fun month in Sprout 2. Our October study was **Paper and Play**. The Sprouts explored and created art using butcher paper, paper plates, paper towels, paper cups. We discovered paper makes many sounds when we use it in different ways. Tearing and crinkling sounded very different to us. Did you know that tearing paper is a precursor to cutting and writing? Strong fingers are needed to manipulate scissors and pencils and the act of tearing paper facilitates finger strength. The Sprouts favorite project was tearing paper and making streamer collages.

Monthly Highlights:

Nora is enjoying the rubber band fine motor activity we have introduced! She uses her fingers to stretch the band onto the board!

Kate has been mastering more difficult puzzles. She has been working on the big floor puzzles that we have outside. When she has enough, she uses them as a bridge to walk on!

Parker is amazing on bikes! He zips and zooms around his friends but always has a moment to stop and try something new. He has been investigating the bugs on the playground and showing his friends his discoveries!

Tula loves to sing, and most times can get the entire class to sing with her. We have been encouraging her to keep it up! The Finger Family has been a classroom favorite lately with her.

Evie is so independent! She is figuring out the steps on the play structure and is so close to doing it all by herself. Keep it up Evie!

Jack has been all about climbing! He likes to walk up and down the steps on the play structure. Maybe a future rock climber!?

Charlie is always so compassionate to each of her classmates. She is the first to help someone up or to offer a hug no matter what. She also extends that care to the baby dolls in the classroom.

Belle is all about music time! She dances and smiles during every song. She is also enjoying time in the library with all the books!

Next Month:

Our November study will be **Shoes and Socks**. A toddler's natural curiosity about and interest in shoes and their growing eagerness to do things independently can lead to many questions. It will also support their development and learning in all areas.

Social Emotional - dealing with frustration when they cannot pull up their socks or buckle their shoe

Physical - balancing when wearing distinct types of shoes

Language - sole, tread, laces

Cognitive - creating shoe prints with different treads or bare feet; matching shoes

Literacy - *Pete the Cat I Love My White Shoes, Mamas Work Shoes, Fox in Socks*

Mathematics - measuring shoes biggest to smallest

Art - tracing shoes

Friendly Reminders:

- Temperatures are changing and naptime should be cozy time. Please consider warmer blankets or multiple blankets to keep your child comfortable while they sleep. Also, warm jackets, hats, and gloves are needed for outside time!
- Please send in a couple sets of extra clothes. It is important to be comfortable and an extra set of clothes helps
- GT will be closed for conferences on November 11th. We looked forward to meeting with you all!
- GT will be closed November 25th & 26th for Thanksgiving

We are THANKFUL for YOU!

Ms Kelsey & Ms Tracy

“What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what difference you want to make.”

-Jane Goodall

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Shoes and Socks

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Matching socks	2 Types of shoes	3 Shoe Match	4 Shoe School	5 Handprint turkey's
8	Shoe size order	9 Dancing Shoes	10 Sock Match	11 Conference Day	12 Sock Coloring
15	Painting with Shoes	16 Shoe Sounds	17 Pass the Shoe	18 Leaf Collection	19 No Shoes!
22	Sock Hunt	23 Shoe Coloring	24 Leaf + Tree	25 Closed	26 Closed
29	Shoe Tree	30 Work Shoes			

This Month's Books:
<i>Mama's Work Shoes</i>
<i>I Love My White Shoes</i>
<i>Fox in Socks</i>
This Month's Songs:
<i>My Shoes</i>
<i>Leaves are Falling</i>
Focus Words:
On
Off



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