

THE MONTHLY **SPROUT 1**

GROWING TREE CHILDREN'S CENTER

December 2021

Sprout Families,

We hope you all had a grateful Thanksgiving with those you love.

As many of you know by now, Ms. Amy has moved over from the Bud room to join us in Sprout1 She knows our room well as she was a Sprout teacher several years ago. It is nice to have her back with us.

In November our study was "Seats" It is amazing how many different things we sit on each day. We also enjoyed practicing "Manners" we hope your Sprout showed off their good manners at your Thanksgiving table this year.

The Sprouts had fun exploring all types of seats, from hard chairs to floor cushions to soft couches just to name a few. Outside we sat on the benches, curbs, and steps. Their favorite seat of course was the wobble chairs because of the movement when they sat in them.

At circle we read *Bear Gives Thanks* and *The Peas Say Please*. We learned a new song about manners and played a game of musical chairs. We did not take chairs away as is traditionally done but they had fun circling the chairs as the music played.

Monthly Highlights:

Autumn enjoyed sitting in her chair and pretending it was a bus seat. She could be heard singing the "Wheels on the Bus go Round"

Mackson is enjoying art. He loves to draw and color.

Ellee perfected her manners this month. "Peez" was her favorite word and she used it appropriately when wanting something.

Fisk enjoyed his first month in the classroom. He spent the month transitioning into our routine, enjoying his new friends, and we enjoyed getting to know him.

Declan had fun crawling under, sitting on, and scooting the chairs.

June moved from the couch to the chair back to the couch and then chair. At each stop she would ask "Book Peez?" She was like goldilocks looking for the perfect chair.

Forrest took his chair wherever he went in the classroom.

In December our study will be "Paper" Children love interacting and creating with paper. From painting messy works of art to turning the pages of a book our Sprouts enjoy manipulating paper. This study will provide your Sprout the opportunity to build upon their interest in paper and support all their developmental learning.

- Social Emotional: Making a card for family
- Physical: Using fingers to tear paper
- Language: Identifying different paper ie: toilet paper, contact paper, wrapping paper, wax paper
- Cognitive: Paper products in dramatic play area
- Math: Identifying paper shapes

Reminders:

- We go outside 3 different times of day regardless of weather. It is important your child have the right outerwear to stay comfortable while outside. These items include: a snowsuit, 2 pair of gloves, boots, hat, and a warm jacket if snowsuit is a one piece.
- Growing Tree will be closed on December 24th and December 31st
- Once again thank you for all you do.

HAVE A GREAT DECEMBER AND A VERY MERRY

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR.

TERESA, AMY, AND NANA JULIE

Dec-21

Paper and Presents

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Markers on White Paper	2 Paper Stomp	3 Red Paint on Yellow Paper
6 Paper Dance	7 Construction Paper Collage	8 Paper Ripping	9 Sandpaper Collage	10 Wax Paper Crunch
13 Make a Present	14 Sticky Feet	15 Stocking	16 Paper Plate Driving	17 Bow Collage
20 Paper Tree Find	21 Wrapping the Present	22 Stacking Presents	23 Color a Present	24 CLOSED
27 Thick and Thin Collage	28 Paper Sounds	29 New Years Paper Plate	30 Paper Toss	31 CLOSED

Notes:

This Month's Books:
<i>Little Blue Trucks Christmas</i>
<i>The Special Present</i>
This Month's Songs:
Rock Paper Scissors
<i>I'm a little Santa</i>
<i>Presents under the Tree</i>
This Month's Sign:

Sprout One