

THE MONTHLY BUD

GROWING TREE CHILDREN'S CENTER

October 1, 2022

Dear Bud Families,

Hello, October! It's hard to believe that our first month together has already come and gone. We've enjoyed getting to know your families more this past month and introducing your children to their classroom community. It is our continued goal for your child's learning environment and experience to be a place of comfort, familiarity, and enrichment!

We had a lot of fun exploring September's unit "Brown Bear, Brown Bear", My classroom, and Myself.

Our focal points consisted of:

- Textures and sensory through play and art
- Reading/story repetition/predictive storytelling through memorization
- Mindfulness exercises (yoga, counting to 10)

October's unit is Fairytale! We will be reading and using concepts from the stories The Little Old Lady Who was not Afraid of Anything, The Gingerbread Man, The Three Little Pigs, and many more. This time of year brings lots of beautiful colors and textures that we will be bringing into the classroom and working with to make our own fairytales come to life!

The Bud Room encourages your child's autonomy. "I can do it" is a form of active learning that promotes independence and fosters confidence. Here are some "I can do it" work your Buds are currently working on and are great to practice at home:

- Putting on socks
- Putting on shoes
- Pushing in their chair
- Washing hands and face

Additionally, your Buds are becoming familiar with classroom expectations and responsibilities:

- Putting belongings into their cubby
- How many Buds are at this station; is it full?
- Cleaning up stations when done
- Placing nap items on cot, and put away post nap
- Clearing meal items

Reminders:

- As the weather is getting cooler please have your child bring a sweater or light jacket each day.
- Please make sure your child has at least one extra set of clothes in their cubby.
- Every Friday bedding goes home for a wash and is returned on Monday.

"Play gives children a chance to practice what they are learning." –Fred Rogers

Kindly,

Ms. Emily, Ms. Madeline & Ms. Sandy

