

# Seedling News

How is it December already and why hasn't it snowed? Is it just us or has this last year just flown by? How cute are these little people going to look dressed in their Holiday best for pictures with Santa and sitting on stage for the Holiday sing-a-long? They might not be able to sing yet, but it's sure cute to see them dressed up on stage, shaking their bells and what a great opportunity to get that picture with Santa.

This month **Reese** and **Riley** will be joining Jessica and Erin in the big seeds. Reese is already hooked on Jessica after spending so many early mornings with her in the big seed room, and Riley will sit at the door begging to go outside and play with them; even on the coldest of days. They've also been working on their balance and are getting close to taking those first few steps. They'll be keeping up with their big seed friends in no time.

**Sawyer** and **Nick** will be gearing up this month to start spending some time with the big seeds in preparation of their big move in January. Every time the door opens they sneak a peek and/or slip through the door to sneak some playtime in. They've also been working on their mobility and come January, they shouldn't have any problem keeping up. Sawyer has started letting go of the toy shelves for brief periods, and Nick has started pulling up to a stand on the side of the ball pit and on the window sills.

**Alex** is doing a great job of sitting on her own and when on her stomach, has started getting up onto her knees in preparation to crawl. **Jasper** however has lost interest in sitting and is now rolling all over the classroom. He has even started to do a little army crawl in short spurts to get to new toys and places to play. **Vivian** is getting stronger on her tummy and is starting to enjoy her tummy time, watching and laughing at her friends as they play. **Hunter** gets happy feet when we put him in the jumper; dancing and frog jumping with a big smile on his face. What he really enjoys though is being able to roll from here to there and everywhere around the classroom. He is very curious about his surroundings. **Owen** has figured out how to roll from his back to his front and is enjoying being able to play and sleep on his stomach. Now he just needs to work on rolling back over. Owen also loves singing songs and moving to the words, it never fails to bring out a giggle.

Don't forget to make your News Year's resolutions. Seedlings resolutions are to stop eating the books, resist the urge to finger paint in spit up, restrict spit up to surfaces that

can be wiped clean (not the carpet), nap for more than 30 minutes, refrain from shutting fingers in drawers and cupboards, do not poop more than your diaper can contain, always cuddle with your teacher when they pick you up and most importantly, always sleep through the night for your parents. We'll see how it goes.

We wish everyone a safe and Happy Holiday and New Year!

Ms. Jolene, Ms. Haley, Ms. Amy

P.S. A reminder to parents that putting babies in their car seats while wearing heavy/bulky coats or snowsuits can compromise the seats safety. Instead, put them in their car seats dressed in warm clothes and cover with a blanket or coat.