

Seedlings Newsletter, November, 2017

We are sure you have noticed that Ms. Evelina is no longer in our room. The Bud room was in need of a second teacher and Evelina stepped up to take the position and help the Buds. She was sad to leave her babies, but stops in to visit them and give them squeezes periodically. She feels this is a good change for her right now. Melanie has been wonderful with the babies and has taken over Evelina's 8-5 shift and has seamlessly taken over the care of her babies. Tammy is currently in the process of figuring out who will be taking over when Ms. Jolene goes on maternity leave. You will be notified as soon as a decision has been made.

It is really great to see how well our new babies have settled in and also how some of them are starting to bond and play with each other. The older babies in this group are very interested in the younger ones and are very gentle with their touches and will even bring toys to them. The older ones also play great together and often seek out the others to play near or with.

It is sad that **Hunter**, **Emma** and **Charlotte** will be moving on to the Big Seeds this month, but they are definitely excited and ready for a change! They love going over in early mornings and late afternoon to play with the Big Seeds, and have even been taking turns eating with that group at meal times and napping on cots too. **Emma** is steady on her feet and looks ready to walk any day now, and **Hunter** and **Charlotte** are not far behind.

With **Emma**, **Hunter** and **Charlotte** next door, **Natalie** will be the big girl on campus. She is pulling to her feet and cruising the furniture. She is also starting to turn down her bottles in favor of real food and is really enjoying big people food! She will be more than ready to join her friends in the Big Seed room in January. **Abby** has moved from a commando crawl up onto her hands and knees, and is really crawling now! She is even pulling up to her knees and trying to stand. She tries her hardest to keep up with the big girls and always wants to be close to watch what they are doing. She loves to love on **Luke** when he is on the floor and will crawl over and give him hugs and kisses. **Willa** and **Luke** have both started to roll from their backs to their bellies and are getting more and more comfortable doing tummy time. Now they just need to figure out how to roll back when they get tired of being on their tummies; but we are sure they will figure it out in no time. We have been getting to know **Jackson** the last few weeks; turns out he is a very social little guy with a great big belly laugh! He loves to be talked to and will reward you with all kinds of oohs, coos, and giggles.

With the three big girls moving on to the Big Seeds, we will be getting some new little ones. We will be getting **Lulu**, who is the baby to sister to Quinn in the Blossom room. The Bud room has had new siblings for Adelyn (Sister, **Lily**) and Amelia (Brother **Teddy**), and those babies will be joining us later also. The next couple months should be pretty slow and easy going. Ms. Jolene is planning to return in February with her baby **Ronin**.

We hope everyone has a wonderful month and a very Happy Thanksgiving.

- Conferences will be on November 10, 2017.

Ms. Jolene and Ms. Melanie