

BUD NEWS



Gobble, Gobble! The Bud room was full of turkeys this month! We read the book, Feast For Ten. I would ask the Buds, “What does feast mean?” and they would all shout out “a big, big dinner.” Then we would read and count with the book. When the family worked together I would ask “What are they doing?” the Buds would all say “Team work.” And when asked when do we do team work? “At clean up time” they would say. We also talked about what we like to eat for dinner and what we are thankful for **Josh** said, “Pizza”, and **Evelyn** said, “Salad”. **Finn** told us he was thankful for “Teachers”, and **Sookie** is thankful for mom and dad. We sang turkey songs and danced like turkeys too.

We made lots of turkeys this month and used different things for the feathers like handprints, coffee filters, feathers and tissue paper. I think the one they liked the most was the big turkey in the hall; they all enjoyed pointing out their names. The Buds used eye droppers to color fall leaves and painted leaves with corn syrup. **Elin** liked shaking on her glitter. She said, “Now it’s sparkly.” The Buds filled their picture tummies with food that they would like to eat and drew their faces. **Bodhi** said, “I have brown eyes” as he made circles for his eyes. We also made turkey hats and tails, then put them on and had a parade. The Buds said, “Gobble Gobble” as they shook their tail feathers around the center.

The sensory table was filled with animals and fall leaves. **Decker** would put the leaves on top of the animals and say, “They are hiding now.” We also had cranberries and water for play in the sensory table. **Quin** and **Adelyn** would scoop up cranberries with spoons put them into their bowls and stir them and say “I made some soup for you” as their friends walked by. The adventure center was turned into the Bud room grocery store. **West** and **Amelia** loved playing with the cash register. **Wyatt** and **Soren** would fill up the shopping charts as much as they could and zoom around the classroom. They all had a blast!

This month we learned about **Charlie** and **Soren** on the all about me board. **Charlie’s** favorite foods are blueberries and bacon and he loves to play soccer and football. His favorite team is the Seahawks. **Soren** has a pet horse named Diamond and a cat named Luna. He loves the color green and his favorite places to go are the park and grandma’s house.

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Our December story is "The Gingerbread Man", narrated by Karen Schmidt. It is a great holiday book. This month's focus will be on building vocabulary and honesty. We will do that by reading different books, talking during circle time and giving them new words to use. Our theme is "Merry, Merry Christmas".

The elf on the shelf is a Christmas tradition here at Growing Tree. It is a Christmas story that comes with a magic elf. He is Santa's special helper. The Buds will name the elf and have to find him each day, because the elf will hide to watch all the Buds play.

Reminders:

- Please do not forget to check your child's file.
- Holiday Program is on Monday, December 11th. (Santa arrives at 5:45pm).
- School will be closed Monday December 25th and Monday January 1st.

Have a wonderful Holiday season.



Mrs. Deborah & Ms. Evelina

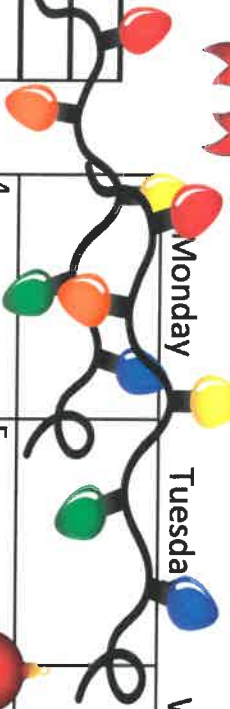
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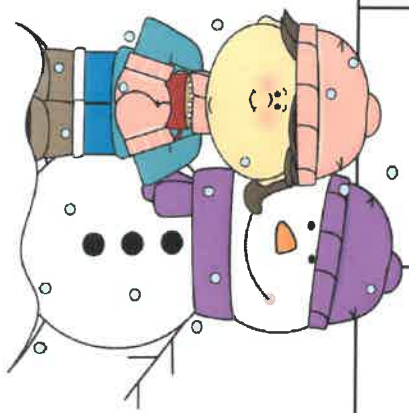
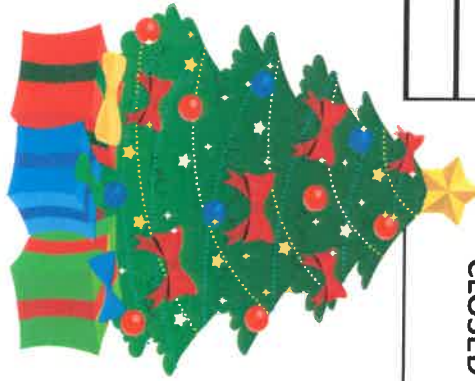
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Notes:

This Month's Books:
<i>The Gingerbread Man</i>
<i>This Month's Songs:</i>
"Dance Like Snowflakes"
"The Lights On The Tree"
"Where is Santa?"



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4 String of Lights	5 Gingerbread House	6 Christmas Tree	7 The Grinch	8 Gingerbread Friends
11 Pom Pom Snow Globe	12 Stockings	13 Candycane Stripes	14 Reindeer Hat	15 Bow Wreath
18 Snowflakes	19 Cottonball Santa	20 Paper Plate Elves	21 Cold Hands Warm Heart	22 Magic Reindeer Chow
25 CLOSED	26 Marshmallow Snowman	27 Winter Tree	28 Fireworks	29 New Year's Eve Shakers



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