

Seedling's August News

I can't believe this is our last month with most of these Seedlings. It is always hard to say goodbye to babies we have nurtured and watched grow for the last year. I remember when the floor was covered in baby gyms with tiny babies who relied on us for everything. Now they are big, strong, capable and independent babies. It is amazing to watch their personalities develop and grow and see the pride on their faces as they master each new milestone. It is bittersweet to see them move on to new adventures in the Big Seed room, but we know they are ready and will do great things in their new classroom.

Eleanor and Ellie have mastered walking and there is no stopping them now. Quinn and Clover have taken their first steps and are working on building confidence and improving balance. Brynley is pushing up to a stand from the floor and looks ready to take her first steps any day now. Enzo is always trying to keep up with his big friends and spends a lot of time pushing the push toys and stools around and pulling up to a stand and letting go for short periods as he works on his balance and coordination. Chandler has started scooting around on his bottom and is even getting into a crawling position and rocking back and forth ready to crawl. He also loves standing with a little support- he is getting so strong! Theo finally got his crawl shifted into forward drive and is on the go. He loves his newfound mobility and is exploring every corner of the classroom. Easton is almost sitting and can even sit solo for short periods.

We spent the last month getting to know Benham and his family. Benham is a good-natured little guy who loves watching his friends and visits from his big brother Wesley in the branch room. He also has a great giggle. He is settling in and we are so happy to have him.

With all these movers and shakers, we are spending as much time as we can outside where they have plenty of room to move around, explore and practice their developing skills without tripping and falling all over each other. The mornings can still be a little chilly when we first come out so please remember to

bring a lightweight jacket or sweatshirt each day. We will let you know when your child is running low on sunscreen. We also provide access to drinking water all day and encourage water breaks. They have enjoyed splashing in the water table to keep cool. If the weather gets to warm, we rotate them in and out, so they aren't spending too long in the heat at a time.

I want to thank all our parents for trusting us and allowing us to care for your little ones through this precious time in their lives and share in so many wonderful first moments. We have enjoyed watching them grow and are lucky to have had such a great group of parents to work with. You are all amazing!

We hope everyone has a great month!

Ms. Jolene and Ms. Deann