

THE MONTHLY

GROWING TREE CHILDREN'S CENTER

SPROUT

October 1, 2019

Dear Families,

Its official FALL is here!

Sprout 1 had a great first month. Everyone is doing well with the schedule and settling into our routine.

Our September study was **To Market, To Market**. The Sprouts enjoyed the market that was available in the classroom. **Izzy** used the fruit to roll across the classroom floor. She would clap her hands and say, "Yeah!" **Teddy** became proficient at plating food and telling his friends "Eat. Eat." **Miles** mastered the apple puzzle while singing, "Up High in the Apple Tree."

At circle we read books about food. we sang songs about fruits and vegetables. **Shaylie's** favorite song was, "Apples and Bananas." **JJ** led us all in song during snack singing the Vegetable song.

The dress-up area was new for our Sprouts and boy did they have fun. **Aubree** enjoyed dumping; **Saylor** enjoyed filling the cloth shopping bags and saying "bye bye" as she was off to market; **Aerix** used the shopping bags as a backpack and let us know he would see us tomorrow.

The art table found us coloring, painting and gluing. The Sprouts also used their creativity to even draw their own fruits and vegetables.

Outside the Sprouts became familiar with the playground. You could see them running, riding or climbing as fast as their little bodies would allow. It was a super September and we can't wait to see what great fun October will bring us on the playground.

October's study is, "**Fall is in the Air**" (and the classroom)! We will explore fall colors watch the leaves change and drop, we will also discover what is inside a pumpkin. Don't forget to leave a jacket at school, the fall is very unpredictable.

We sadly say goodbye to **Aerix** and **Shaylie** they officially become Buds in October. We wish you both well and will be watching you through the window. Also, in October Archer officially becomes a Sprout! Welcome to the Sprout room Archer, Brittaney, and Adam!

Starting in October, Sprout 1 & 2 will be utilizing a new am/pm transition ritual. When you arrive in the classroom, we encourage you to walk them to our new check-in, check-out boards.

The hope is that children move their picture card from home to school with your guidance.

This ritual aligns with our Conscious Discipline model to allow children the ability to mentally transition from home to school while giving them more power over the situation and ease them into the day.

Additionally, we encourage you, the parents, to give your child a consistent good-bye hug or sing a short song to them. Children love routines. We hope that this new part of our morning drop off and afternoon pick up will encourage independence as they become part of our Sprout family.

A few reminders:

- Make sure your child has a coat, and appropriate clothes for the cooler weather.
- DD Ranch is Saturday, October 5th from 9:30-11:00.

October 31st is "Team Day". Have your child wear their favorite team clothing. (Please, no outside treats).

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to come talk to us. Have a great October and a Happy Halloween.


Teresa, Elizabeth, Nana Julie and Tracy

Oct-19



Fall is in the Air



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Mini Pumpkin Painting	2 Pine Needle Painting	3 Pinecone Painting	4 Leaf Painting
7	Paper Plate Candy Apple	8 Fall Color Collage	9 Fall Leaves	10 Monster Collage	11 Leaf Puppet
14	Feather Painting	15 Red Leaf	16 Pumpkin Spice Latte Paint	17 Square Pumpkin	18 Sweater Craft
21	Orange Shaving Cream	22 Cloudy Sky	23 Sticky Collage	24 Pom-Pom Pumpkin Print	25 Pumpkin Sun Catcher
28	Red and Yellow Painting	29 Puffy Ghost	30 Pine Tree	31 Ghost Foot	

Notes:
This Month's Books:
<i>In the Middle of Fall</i>
<i>Leaf Man</i>
<i>Little Blue Truck's Halloween</i>
This Month's Songs:
5 Little Pumpkins
Leaves, Leaves
<i>I'm a Little Pumpkin</i>
This Month's Sign:

Sprout One