

# THE MONTHLY

GROWING TREE CHILDREN'S CENTER

# SEED

November 1, 2019

Dear Families,

The Seed class caught the boy wave. We have seven boys and one girl in our class right now.

People generally think of boys as being loud, rough and rambunctious. This group of delightful little guys is not living up to that stereotype. This group is amazingly kind and gentle with each other. They are concerned and empathetic when someone is hurt or sad often moving in close or giving a friend a gentle pat on the back or leg for reassurance and comfort.

They love giving and receiving hugs with teachers and peers. The older mobile babies are very interested in the younger babies and like to be close to them giving gentle touches, offering toys or smiles. They are generally very gentle with their toys and enjoy sharing them with friends. They are curious and will explore the same toy area for a length of time.

They play well independently or with peers but also really enjoy the attention of their teacher and have formed strong bonds. Tula is the youngest and only girl and she enjoys the gentle attention of her classmates. This truly is a loving group of kids and we are really enjoying them.

Theo and Benham will start spending a little time over with the Big Seeds later this month as they begin their transition for the big move in December. We are really going to miss those two.

**Theo** is starting to let go of things and is getting his balance. He could take his first steps any day now!

**Benham** has started pulling himself up to a stand with the support of toys and bookshelves.

**Guy** started pulling himself up right alongside of Benham. Now they are both trying to figure out how to get back down without assistance. Guy is going to miss his friend Benham when he moves to the Big Seeds, but he will be joining them in January.

**Easton** started moving around in his own way (scooting?) but we aren't entirely sure how. One minute he will be sitting and playing next to the pumpkin. You turn your back for a moment, and he is gone and is playing with the barn door. He is also close to pulling himself up to a stand.

**Finley and Mason** have gotten very comfortable spending time on the floor and are mastering rolling around to get the toys they want. They have started pulling up to their knees in an attempt to crawl. We are sure they will figure it out soon.

In October Tula and Dylan joined us and we have enjoyed settling them in.

**Tula** is a sweet, laid back, easy going, baby, probably, because she has three older sisters at home. She is accustomed to being the center of attention.

**Dylan** took a little time to get used to us and settle but the smiles he gives us now were totally worth the wait. He is a giggly baby who is not fond of naps but loves tickles.

We have really enjoyed getting to know both of our newbies and watching their classmates welcome them into the group.

The Seeds were able to spend a couple afternoons outside last month when the sun was warm. Although we fear our time outside is coming to an end, just in case, please continue to bring a light jacket especially for the older babies so we can sneak in a little afternoon fun in the beautiful fall leaves.

Conferences are coming up this month and it is a great opportunity to spend one on one time with the teachers. Please bring your questions and or concerns with you to the conference. We will also discuss development and what you can look forward to next. We look forward to seeing everyone.

We hope everyone has a great month and a Happy Thanksgiving!

Ms. Jolene, Ms. Deann and Ms. Chloe