

Fruit & Flower Happenings



Summer is upon us and many exciting events are occurring here at the center!

- **Center Transitions**
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Center Transitions- Summer is a time of exciting change here at Fruit & Flower. We welcome many families to the center and our kiddos are progressing to new rooms. If you see a fresh face in your child's class, consider saying "hello" to help our incoming families feel welcome. If your child seems a bit more sensitive or hesitant than usual don't be afraid to ask classroom staff for help during drop-off. We are used to guiding our little friends through these adjustments and are always happy to help.

Weather reminder- "Drip, drip, drop little April showers..." - oh wait, it's July, and in classic Pacific Northwest fashion the weather proves to be mercurial, with the sun playing hide-and-seek. Please remember to bring an assortment of clothing options to accommodate the oft-changing conditions.

Remodeling Update- We have board approval to begin construction on a new meeting room in our admin area. The new room replaces the old room that is now occupied by our day campers, whom fill our area with lots of cheer!

Immunizations- If your child has received immunizations since January, please be sure and let the front desk know so that they may update your child's records. Thanks!



Center Snapshots- Our center has been busy, busy, busy! Here are just a few wonderful things going on:

Rosebuds: Many of our tater tots have been utilizing their platform by teaching themselves to climb up on it to peek out the window as well as crawling under it and through the tunnel. "Climb Every Mountain..."

Daisies: The Daisies are twisting and shouting their way through summer by listening to music, playing instruments and dancing! Their smooth moves will amaze!

Sweet Peas: Surf City USA! Our toddlers have been enjoying Hawaii Week by eating pineapple, listening to Hawaiian music and making clay fish. Don't forget the sunscreen!

Pineapples: Chow time! The Pineapples have been serving themselves lunch this week, which has been quite the adventure for children and staff alike- especially on burrito day!

Coconuts: Fun is in the stars for the Coconuts. They've been learning about planets- their colors, sizes and which one they live on. If your preschooler seems a bit "spacey" this may be why!

Clover: All for one and one for all! The Clovers have been doing very well working together as a group. Many of our older children have been helping their younger peers. We're proud of our Clover kids!

Peaches: If you peek in on the Peaches this week you will find them telling their Jungle story by using yoga! Many poses represent characteristics of animals and the kids are especially good at being wild creatures. Rowr!

Tumbleweeds: Perhaps you've noticed our Tumbleweeds quoting Shakespeare. Teacher Stewart has been helping them to recite Richard III's famous speech that begins "Now is the winter of our discontent. Made glorious summer by this son of York..." as he lines them up for their excursions. Next week may be Emily Dickinson or even Edgar Allen Poe.... ;)

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Congratulations- The Fruit & Flower family increased by three in the months of June and July. We congratulate the following families on their new arrivals:

Melissa, Craig and Reese Thornton welcomed Cadence on June 3rd, Jenny, Scott and Naomi Warnick welcomed Gemma on June 30th and Katie, Cec and Teal Annett welcomed Paxie on July 7th. Let's give the girls a hearty welcome!

New Staff- We have new members joining our team! Look for these smiling faces around the center:

Fawn Grepo- Late Day Aide in Pineapples

Jennifer Reedy- Late Day Aide in Peaches

Julie McClurg- Float

Margaret Boerner- Float

Merette Bartles- Late Day Receptionist

The following individuals will be filling in from time-to-time as substitutes:

Collette Cruz

Justine Brooks (returning staff)

Micah Chernin

Rachel Talbot

Important Dates-

Friday, July 22nd- Preschool Field Trip to Blue Lake Park

Friday, August 5th- Lewisville State Park

"Being involved in the well-being and advancement of one's own community is a most natural thing to do."

[Clarence Clemons](#), saxophonist for the E Street Band

ENJOY YOUR DAY!!!