

# ~Toddler~

July provided us with many sunshiny days. We went on nature walks and explored the world in our back yard. We celebrated the 4th of July with our own home made fireworks (bubble wrap and decorated tissue paper roll), we sang songs and marched to show our appreciation and celebration. There was pouring galore as the toddlers worked on their concentration, coordination, independence and estimation skills. The activity was simple yet fun for the toddlers while building so many key skills for each child. We experimented with watermelons and tasted many different types of water, least to say salt water was our favorite. Our days were spent exploring the beaches and finding sea critters, while our nights were filled with sky gazing and camping outdoors. We ended the month with a splash as we made shaving cream rain jars and splashed outside in the sprinklers (thank you for being flexible with our water days, we will always follow mother natures cues).

In August we will start off by being as silly as possible. Wearing our clothing backwards and socks on our hands, we'll be as Topsy Turvy as we can. We will enhance our fine motor skills by painting and coloring with our feet, and improve our coordination by walking backwards where ever we go. Week two will be all about zoo animals!! The toddlers will pretend to be their favorite zoo animal, and we will talk all about their habitats (where they live). There will be a designated day where we will partake in the movie Zootopia and see how many animals we can name. We can't wait to hear what zoo animal your child is interested in! The last two weeks of August will revolve around our glorious State Fair. We will discuss all the fun things we will see, the many different smells, the sounds both loud and soft, and tasty treats that the fair has to offer. Our toddlers will reconstruct their experiences by creating their own state fair at bloom. We will have taste testing of our own wonderful tasty creations, and stuffed animals to visit and pet. Our social skills will build as we play with friends during the great Minnesota get together.

We ask that parents please bring in extra weather appropriate clothing and closed toes shoes to keep your child safe. We strongly recommend a hat to keep in their cubby to protect from the sun.

Fun in the sun,  
Your Toddler Staff