

~Infant~

Summer is in full swing. We enjoyed so much beautiful weather in June and got outside as often as possible. This month we explored gardening and what comes in a garden. We sang songs about how to plant seeds, the vegetables we like to eat, and the sunshine that helps the garden grow. The babies created their own fruit stand, which was displayed on the door. We practiced picking vegetables out of our garden and talked about which ones we found. The infants explored vegetables, paint and the different textures that come along with it. Some of the older infant's taste tested a few fruits and vegetables that we don't eat day to day like a yellow pepper, and a kiwi.

Throughout the month of July the babies will be going under the sea as we explore all things around water. Our color for the month is **blue** and our sign is water. The storyboards are filled with songs about sharks, slippery fish, and other sea life. The infants are going to create crabs, fish, jelly-fish, and octopus. Group time is such a great time for all the children. We typically do it around 9:30 and we encourage all the children to participate but allow them to venture off if they choose. We really enjoy watching their participation grow as they get older and they really start to understand the process and enjoy participating. For sensory exploration the infants will play with edible sand (ground cheerios) and lots of water play. To keep the water play interesting different items are going to be added to the water. Sponges, colored ice cubes, ducks, balls, cups, and spoons are a few of the items that can be enjoyed in the water. The infants seem to be happy and calm when they are around or in water so there is always a lot to be enjoyed with water. We look forward to creating our own little ocean in the baby room.

Please bring in or email over any pictures of your child enjoying water outside of school, we will post them for all the babies to see. Make sure your child has extra clothes in case they get wet while enjoying water play. Our room is back to being a full classroom, we have some new families. Feel free to ask teachers the children's names if you are unsure and introduce yourself to other parents, we are one big family after all!

Happy Summer,
Your Infant Team

Sign for "water"

