

November 2010

Dear Toddler Families,

Well another month has gone by and as I reflect on how far all the children have come I am amazed at how smoothly our class is running. The table is set nearly flawlessly every day with the help of our older students. Happy voices are everywhere discovering new materials appearing on the shelf. I often see children exploring paint, clay and chalk as they express themselves through art.

Children are joining us in song and it is no longer a Mrs. Yoakum and Mrs. Hughey duet. Children are excited to taste new foods and we enjoyed trying a horned melon—a new experience for all of us. With the help of the internet, I found that you eat the seeds. Most of us enjoyed it. Thank-you Michael for bringing that in!

Our table is often adorned with a flower arranging, and the rat is well fed and cared for with torn paper for her nest. Many children are gaining dressing and undressing skills and learning to use the toilet. There has been a teacher in training getting her observation hours in the classroom. She is amazed at how well the children work and function independently in the classroom.

I look forward to the holidays and new activities I have planned. On visitors day we will have an activity involving gingerbread cookies and we will be joining our primary friends. More details on that to come! Have a great week!

Tracy, Elaine, Elizabeth