# THE FAMILY TREE

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### **News from the Infant and Toddler Room**

Hello from the Infant Toddler Room! This month will be so exciting! We will paint and glue and sing and dance! We will play with balls using our hand to eye coordination skills. We will have musical instruments in the classroom to make lots of noise.

In addition this month we will use an assortment of blocks all shapes and sizes. Ask your toddler what they did when they were in my classroom and see what they mention. I hope they will enjoy their time with me. I know I always enjoy the time with them. Thank you for bringing them to my classroom. Have a GREAT month!

> Angela Bunker, Infant/Toddler Teacher

#### **News from the Preschool Room**

Happy Holidays, families! The temperature is dropping and the holidays are coming fast. We will talk about the colors silver, gray, purple, and black. We will do the letters I, J, K, and L. We will continue to count and do shapes each day also. I am happy to work with you. Thank you for learning and playing with me!

Ms. Sun, Morning Preschool Teacher

Welcome to the afternoon preschool. The children have had fun learning each others' names, recognizing the alphabet, numbers, and colors. November will bring more of these activities and we will include play to help shape recognition, following directions and following through.

We have fun playing in the different areas of our classroom while we learn simple but important lessons like courtesy, taking turns, and cooperation. I am enjoying my classroom.

Ms. Maria, Afternoon Preschool Teacher

## What is the Family Growth Center?

It is a place for children to enjoy FREE drop-in childcare for children 6 weeks through 5 years of age. A nominal fee is charged to higher income families. Family Growth Center is a program of Child Abuse Prevention Services, which is a division of Child and Family Charities. Reserved childcare is available for children whose parents participate in parent classes at FGC. For more information on childcare call (517) 371-1347.

## Parents may use our childcare services twice a week!!

### Our schedule:

**Mondays-East Lansing FGC** 

517-351-6641 1120 S. Harrison East Lansing, MI 48823 (University United Methodist Church)



**Tues-Wed-Thursdays-**Mt. Hope FGC 517-371-1347

549 E. Mt. Hope Lansing, MI 48910 (Bethlehem Lutheran Church)

**DURING NON-FGC HOURS CALL (517) 371-1347 TO LEAVE A MESSAGE** 

NOVEMBER 2015					
Family Growth Center Sessions	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	
MONDAYS @ East Lansing 9:00-11:30am 1:30-4:00pm	11/2 Protein: Cheese & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Pineapple & Peas Grain: Wheat Bread	NO CHILDCARE SESSIONS @ FGC	11/4 Protein: Eggs & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Raisins & Blueberries Grain: Oatmeal	11/5 Protein: Dino Nuggets & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Pears & Broccoli Grain: Wheat Roll	
TUESDAYS @ Mt. Hope 9:00-11:30am 1:30-4:00pm	11/9 Protein: Turkey Dogs & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Apples & Green Beans Grain: Wheat Bun	11/10 Protein: Black Beans & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Mandarin Oranges & Tomatoes Grain: Yellow Rice	11/11 Protein: Wow Butter & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Grapes & Carrots Grain:	11/12 Protein: Chicken Salad & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Cucumbers & Peaches Grain: Wheat Bread	
WEDNESDAYS @ Mt. Hope 9:00-11:30am 1:30-4:00pm	11/16 Protein: Sloppy Joe & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Green Beans & Pears Grain: Wheat Buns	11/17 Protein: Corn Dogs & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Peas & Fruit Cocktail Grain: Corn Dog	11/18 Protein: Cheese & milk Fruit & Vegetable: Oranges & Romaine Lettuce Grain: Wheat Crust	11/19 Protein: Baked Beans & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Mandarin Oranges Grain: Corn Bread	
THURSDAYS @ Mt. Hope 9:00-11:30am 1:30-4:00pm	11/23 Protein: Turkey, Cheese & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Pineapple & Green Peppers Grain: Wheat Bread	11/24 Protein: Goulash(turkey) & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Applesauce & Peas Grain: Pasta	11/25 Protein: Baked Chicken & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Cranberries, Mashed Potatoes & Green Beans Grain: Wheat Stuffing	11/26 NO FGC HAPPY THANKSGIVING	
	11/30 Protein: Cheese & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Apples & Broccoli Grain: Wheat Bread	12/1 Protein: Turkey Sausage & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Oranges & Bananas Grain: Waffles	12/2 Protein: Meat Sauce & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Mixed Veggies & Peaches Grain: Pasta	12/3 Protein: Roast Beef, Cheese & Milk Fruit & Vegetable: Grapes & Red Pepper Grain: Mini Bagels	

Menu is subject to change.
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## Family Behavior Can Be Habit Forming...

Parents who succeed in passing their beliefs and values to children don't just talk about it. They truly demonstrate it every day through family activities, socializing, traditions, storytelling, games, and songs. Here are some ideas:

- Create a sense of caring and cooperation in your family.
- Encourage healthy and affectionate fun and laughter.
- Find reasons to praise your child every day.
- Make time for family activities.

When appropriate, let children share in making rules and decisions