# Infant One Group



## Unit Theme: <u>Farm Fun</u>



### Topics: What Grows on the Farm, Farm Animals & Halloween

Cognitive Development:

- We will introduce the babies to things that grow on the farm.
- We will talk about the animals we would find on the farm and the sounds they make.
- We will introduce the babies to the holiday of Halloween.

Vocabulary words: pumpkin, farm, barn, wagon, chicken, pig, Halloween, duck, cat, dog and cow.

#### Language Development:

Books:

- Animal Babies on the Farm by Vicky Weber
- At the Farm by Karen Katz
- <u>Biscuit's Pet and Play Halloween</u> by Alyssa Satin Capucilli

Music:

• "Old MacDonald Had a Farm", "Five Little Ducks" and "Five Little Pumpkins"

<u>Art:</u>

- Each baby will make a baby chick to hang on the Big Barn Mural (to be hung in the preschool gym).
- As a group, we will make a large wagon to hang on the Big Barn Mural.

#### Discovery:

• The babies will explore the pumpkins and bales of hay on the Greenhouse Pumpkin Patch to be set up on the playground.

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Gross Motor Skills:

• While each child is having some back time, we will gently guide their feet in a cycling motion to help them gain muscle strength and control.

Fine Motor Skills:

• A variety of shakers for the babies to play with.

#### Special Events:

- Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> Matt the Music Man will be here to perform for the children.
- Week of Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> the playground will be transformed into a pumpkin patch.
- Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Barnyard Petting Zoo a variety of farm animals will be here for the babies to feed and pet.
- Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> Open House a Halloween themed event more information to follow.
- Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> Halloween Parade, Infant One will parade with the rest of the center to the football field. *Wear Your Costume*.