

# Infant One Angelfish October Fall Festivities!



### Target Skills

- Display a beginning understanding of cause-effect by exploring objects and repeating pleasing motions and sounds
- ☐ Focus on one thing at a time and show desire for 'more' through gestures/glances
- ☐ Briefly calm self (may bring hand or pacifier to mouth)
- Consistently reach for, grab and hold objects with both hands





# Language & Concepts

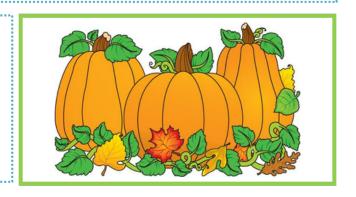
- Display an interest in stories for a short period of time
- Look at and smile at caregivers and respond to affection
- □ Use fingers to point at things
- ☐ Make different sounds like "mamama" and "bababa"

# Ways You Can Help

- $\ \square$  Say or sing their name! Your child loves hearing their name being called or sung in a song!
- ☐ Encourage tummy time as much as possible! It helps them to become independent and builds those muscles that will help them roll over, sit up on their own, and eventually crawl!

# Dates & Reminders

- Please make sure to label ALL belongings with child's first and last name
- ☐ Make sure to use the SmartCare kiosk to sign in and out each day
- Please make sure your child is dressed for the weather! (Layers are very helpful!)
- Columbus Day, MMCC will be closed!
- October 31st Happy Halloween! We will dress up in our costumes and join the schoolwide parade to nearby businesses!
- ☐ Make sure you are bringing breastmilk in breastmilk bags



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#### INFANT 1 ANGELFISH CURRICULUM

Month: October

Monthly Theme: Fall Festivities Bi-Weekly Theme: Leaves and Trees



DEVELOPMENTAL AREAS	Activities	Goals
COGNITIVE DEVELOPMENT (Learning, Thinking, Problem Solving)	<ul> <li>□ We will practice searching for desired people by singing "Where is?" (tune to "Where is Thumbkin")</li> <li>□ Our friends will look and reach for their favorite toys they want to play with Falling leaves!</li> <li>□ Teachers will throw leaves into the air and kiddos will watch them as they fall</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Actively search for desired people, objects and respond to sound</li> <li>□ Show curiosity about things nearby and try to get things out of reach</li> <li>□ Watch the path of something as it falls</li> </ul>
LANGUAGE & COMMUNICATION (spoken, sign, music)	□ As teachers sing the "Good Morning" song, kiddos will listen for their name, that's me! □ During one on one time, children will try to imitate their caregivers when they make different sounds like "mamama" and "bababa" □ During circle time teachers will read Fall Leaves by Mary Packard, Little ones will follow along!	<ul> <li>Recognize and respond to own name</li> <li>Make different sounds like "mamama" and "bababa"</li> <li>Display an interest in stories for a short period of time</li> </ul>
SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT	□ Caregivers will encourage children to briefly calm themselves by giving them their pacifier (when needed) □ Kiddos will try to follow their own basic needs schedule with encouragement from their teachers □ Caregivers will encourage children to smile as they play with themed toys, such as fall leave sensory bottles	<ul> <li>□ Briefly calm self (may bring hand or pacifier to mouth)</li> <li>□ Begin to follow own schedule for basic needs, with adult help</li> <li>□ Look at and smile at caregivers and respond to affection</li> </ul>
SENSORY STIMULATION	Let's have fun in the leaves! Kiddos will explore the different textures and colors of fall leaves as they play with them in the sensory bin  Our friends will use their hands and eyes together to reach for the fall foliage cutouts teachers have placed on the floor Teachers will wave leaves from side to side to encourage children to follow them with their eyes	Explore the environment through the use of senses (touch, smell, sight, sound, taste)  Use hands and eyes together, such as seeing a toy and reaching for it  Follow moving things with eyes from side to side
FINE-MOTOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT	□ As kiddos play with their fall themed toys, they will practice moving things smoothly from one hand to the other □ We will use a fist grasp to hold onto paint brushes as we paint red, yellow, orange, and brown leaves □ Teachers will encourage children to bring toys or hands/feet to their mouths so they can explore them!	<ul> <li>Move things smoothly from one hand to the other</li> <li>Use a fist to grasp onto adult's fingers, blocks, spoons, and writing utensils</li> <li>Bring things to mouth and suck on hands and/or feet</li> </ul>
GROSS MOTOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT	□ With assistance from our caregivers, we will practice getting on our hands and knees so that we can try to crawl along the fall foliage cut outs teachers have placed on the floor □ Teachers will help our friends roll over by waving fall foliage next to them and encouraging them to grab it □ During tummy time, we will practice pushing up on our elbows to look at the beautiful colored leaves	<ul> <li>□ Rock back and forth and crawl</li> <li>□ Roll over in both directions</li> <li>□ Push up on elbows when lying on stomach</li> </ul>

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