Class: Sprigs **Week of:** 11/2/2026 **Feeling of the Month:** Courage **Kind Act of the Month:** Work Together with Kindness

	Activities	Skills
Once Upon a Time ***(Focus/Cognitive Skills/ Literacy)***	**Story**: The Little Red Hen by Paul Galdone **Concept:** Caring for a garden and helping a team lets us make something together. **Learning:** Hen, wheat, grain, seed, mill, flour, bake, bread, help, share. *Class Bread Baking*: Children help measure, stir, knead, and watch bread bake.	Builds listening, early literacy, vocabulary, teamwork, measuring, sensory learning, and pride in contributing.
Kindness and Caring ***(Self-help/Feelings & Kind Acts)***	**Independence Skill:** My Own Garden Job. Children choose a small job: carry a hose, water a plant, return a tool, or sweep up seeds or debris pieces. Practice finishing the job and putting materials away.	Builds independence, responsibility, task completion, and confidence in helping the group.
Exploration and Wonder ***(Outdoor learning/ Magic of Cedarville)***	*Wheat and Seed search*: In pairs, search for wheat, seeds, and leaves outdoors. Sort finds by size, color, or texture; then make a shared pretend wheat field.	Encourages nature observation, descriptive language, sorting and classifying, teamwork, and sensory exploration.
Questioning ***(Science/Tech./ Engineer/Math)***	*Put the Story in Order:* Use picture cards to place the Little Red Hen events in chronological order - planting, growing, cutting, grinding, baking, and sharing. Count 1-3 scoops of pretend flour and ask, "What comes next?"	Supports chronological thinking, story sequencing, memory, early science, counting, and cause-and-effect reasoning.
Discovery ***(Art/Sensory/Dramatic play)***	*Little Red Hen Bakery*: Use play dough, seed pods, and safe nature finds to make pretend loaves. Take turns mixing, rolling, and serving bread in the dramatic play bakery.	Strengthens fine-motor skills, creativity, pretend play, sharing, and cooperative problem-solving.
Moving and Grooving ***(Gross Motor)***	*Helping Hen Work Day*: Carry soft "grain" beanbags to a basket, push a pretend wheelbarrow, knead the air, and pass a loaf to a friend in a cooperative movement course.	Develops balance, coordination, body awareness, following directions, and teamwork.