



# Toddler Times

November/December 2024

**Doozy's Fundraiser coming! On Friday, November 29 from 7am – 3pm**, shop local and plan to leave all of your Friendsgiving/Black Friday cooking to Doozy's Diner (phone 443-437-3405), located at 10 Mellor Ave. in Catonsville! Spread the word, share the love! A generous portion of ALL order proceeds that day will benefit MDOW! See what's on their menu: <https://doozysdiner.com>

## **Family Art Night – Tuesday 11/26 6:00 – 7:30 pm!**

Kick off the Thanksgiving season with a fun MDOW annual favorite! Families will craft together making a special take-home project in their children's classrooms. Sign-up sheets for the number of people attending per family will soon be posted outside of classrooms so that teachers can properly prepare for the evening.

## **November/December Calendar with MDOW Weekly Themes**

See what our students will be exploring this month and the next!

Coming up:

11/4-8: Authors & Illustrators, Teachers' favorite author/books, Election Day, Letter I

11/11-15: Apples, Shapes & Math, Letter J

11/18-22: Friendship, Thankfulness, Thanksgiving, Letter K

11/25-26 (**closed 11/27-29**): Thanksgiving, Letter K

12/2-6: Gingerbread (Boy/Girl/Baby/Man/House), Letter L

12/9-13: Hanukkah/Christmas traditions, Handprint 2025 Calendars, Letters L&M

12/16-20 (**last day before winter break**): Christmas traditions, Review A-M

**MDOW reopens Monday, January 6**

## **Get ready for the weeklong Scholastic Book Fair! December 9 – December 13**

A few more helpers are still needed for a successful event. Interested? please contact Deb Medicus.

**Thank you for supporting MDOW's Fall Festival! What a wonderfully fun and festive family time with beautiful weather!**

A big thank you, too, to our organizers—Ms. Lexi and Ms. Maddy!!

**Thank you so much for your patience and cooperation during our recent kitchen renovation!**

**Thank you for supporting our September Chef Paolino Night! MDOW made \$425!**



### Afternoon session spots are available in all classrooms

If your child currently attends only morning sessions at MDOW, consider arranging some afternoon sessions with the teacher to see if this might be something your child is ready for! Smiley, Heart and Bear Room students will nap after lunch.

Do you have friends or family with children who might like to add MDOW as an afternoon activity?

### 2025 Registration is around the corner!

- **All** current MDOW families must register online beginning January 12 at 6am in order to enroll into the 2025 Summer Session and/or the 2025-26 School Year Session. New registration links will be created for this. Please stay tuned for further information.
- **MDOW's annual Open House for new families** will be held Sunday, January 19 between 1 – 3 pm.
- Registration for alumni families will begin on January 31.
- Registration for new families will open on February 7.



### Snow Policy Reminders:

Families will be notified about any weather-related MDOW closings or delays via email, brightwheel messaging, and Facebook posts.

MDOW **generally** follows what Baltimore County schools decide. If schools are opening 1 or 2 hours late, MDOW would open at 10:00 am with no before-care. If schools are closed, MDOW is closed. If schools close early, MDOW Discovery is cancelled and you should pick up your child as soon as you are able.

### Sickness policy

Please remember that children sick with fever, diarrhea or vomiting must remain home **for at least 24 hours** after they are fever-free, diarrhea-free or vomit-free without the use of symptom-relieving medication.

### The answers to many questions--

*such as whether or not school is open on certain dates, MDOW's Federal Tax ID number, and much more can be found in the Parent Handbook, which can be found online, anytime, on the MDOW website: [mdowpreschool.com](http://mdowpreschool.com)*

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