



Toddler Times

September 2024

Chef Paolino's Pizza Night! On Tuesday 9/24, from 4:00 – 8:00 pm, plan to pick up dinner or eat in at Chef Paolino's in Catonsville! A portion of order proceeds will benefit MDOW. Just put your receipt in the MDOW next to the cash register. Friends and family can participate, too!

MDOW Weekly Themes at MDOW

Our students learn and have fun around different themes each week!

Coming up:

9/16-20: Smell & Taste, Letter B

9/23-27: Touch & Feelings, Letter C

9/30-10/4: Fire Prevention Week, Letter D

10/7-11: Sink/Float, Boats, Transportation, Maps, Indigenous Peoples Day, Letter E

10/14-18: Community Helpers, Fall, Letter F

10/21-25: Nocturnal animals (bats/spiders), Letter G

10/28-11/1: Halloween, Pumpkins, Letter H

Fire Department Activities

- *Saturday 10/5, 1:00-4:00:* Free Family Activities - Open House at Ellicott City Volunteer Fire Department, 4150 Montgomery Road, Ellicott City 21043. Rain or shine!
- *Wednesday 10/9 & Thursday 10/10, 9:30 am:* Fire Department visits to MDOW!

Trains at Leakin Park *Saturday, October 12, 11:00 – 3:30:*

From April-November on the second Sunday of the month, now for over 30 years, Baltimore's Chesapeake & Allegheny Live Steamers club gives free mini train rides, operating 1/8 scale steam engines. A true STEAM experience!



MDOW's annual Fall Festival will take place after school on Friday, October 25 (3:30 – 5:30)

Tickets will be \$10 per family to attend this fun fundraiser.

Stay tuned for further details.

A few reminders

All classrooms have afternoon session spots available...

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

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

Morning Before Care and Afternoon Discovery Clubs – No registration is needed to attend.

- On an as-needed basis each day, please know that students are welcome as early as 7:30 am before their 9:00 classroom opening.
- After 3:30 class dismissal each day, attending Discovery Clubs up until 5:30 pm is available. Please let your child's teacher know at drop-off, or call the office that day before 3:30. A great option when something unexpected comes up in your afternoon schedule.

Themes vary through the week: Monday-Spanish, Tuesday-Art, Wednesday-Spanish, Thursday-American Sign Language, Friday-Literacy

- Invoicing of these session fees occurs after the end of each month--\$12/session, Before Care, \$18

Students' personal items at MDOW

- **Labeled items:** Please be sure that everything your child brings to school--including all removable outer garments--remains clearly labeled. At the end of the year, we have many unlabeled, unclaimed jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts, shoes, hats and bedding.
- **Sunscreen/Diaper creams:** Please apply sunscreen to your child before they come to school. Full-day children should have sunscreen that can remain at school. Stick sunscreen is preferred for ease of application. All labeled sunscreens or diaper creams must be in a labeled plastic zip-loc bag accompanied by a completed, signed Topical Basic Care Product Authorization Form, available from your classroom or the office.

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 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 more

can be found in the Parent Handbook, which can be found online, anytime, on the MDOW website: mdowpreschool.com

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