## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### When does school begin and end?

Our first day of school is usually the last Wednesday of August and the last day of class is usually the last Thursday in the month of May.

### How many days is the school closed for holidays/teacher work days?

We are closed for 20 holidays, which include Labor Day Holiday, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday, President's holiday, Easter break, and Friday before Memorial Day Holiday. Plus 1 teacher work day.

### Do I come into the school to sign my child in or out?

If you have signed your child up for a.m. care beginning at 7:30 a.m., you will need to bring your child into the school. However, beginning at 8:45 a.m. until 9:10 a.m., our staff will meet you at the curb, next to our entrance, and take your child to his/her appropriate class. Parents will be handed paperwork to sign their child in and out each morning and afternoon. At noon, our staff will bring your child to your car for those students who are not staying for extended care.

### Do you have afternoon classes?

No. However, we offer extended care starting at noon until 5:30 p.m.

### What is the school's policy for inclement weather?

We follow Anne Arundel County Public Schools for delays and closing.

# Does the school open when the public schools have no morning Pre-K or Kindergarten due to inclement weather?

Yes. When <u>Anne Arundel County Public Schools have a 2 hour delay, we open at 9:00 a.m.</u> for preschool, instead of the normal opening time at 7:30 a.m. for morning care.

### Do you have a religion class?

The director of the school has a Bible lesson that includes a story, song and a prayer every Wednesday morning at 9:30 a.m., in the church's sanctuary. All students who attend school on Wednesdays participate. Any students who do not attend on Wednesdays are welcome to participate with their families. All classes say a blessing before serving snacks and before lunch.

### Do you have offer music class?

Yes. We have a dedicated music teacher that teaches on Monday and Thursday mornings. This allows all children to participate in music class. We have a dedicated classroom for our music class.

# Are there music performances that the children participate in?

Yes. All children participate in the following performances: Halloween, Christmas Pageant, and Closing Program

### Do you offer a Physical Education Class?

Yes. We have a dedicated PE teacher that teaches on Tuesday and Friday mornings. This allows all children to participate in PE. We also have a gymnasium for those inclement days when children cannot go outside. Also, in May, the PE teacher holds a "Field Day" when all students are welcome to participate; followed by a picnic.

### Does the school encourage parent volunteers?

Yes. Parent volunteers are welcome and are very important to the success of our program. Several ways parents can help is to assist with class parties, morning car pool, fundraisers, student picture day, the school's monthly newsletter, and playground and garden maintenance.