



The Bear Facts

Celebrating 66 Years of Early Childhood Education



Dear Parents,

December is a short month, but very busy at BHP CNS. Your children will be making surprises for their families, learning holiday songs, and exploring December as a season of giving.

Angel Gift Tree Donations: Thank you for your generosity and support of our Angel Gift Tree which will bring joy to the children of the clients of the Women's Collective in Washington D.C. Friday, December 1st was the last day to donate unwrapped gifts. Gifts donated after this deadline will be given to Toys for Tots.

Holiday Cards: We invite you to bring your family's holiday card to the office to be part of our display in the front hallway. We love seeing your smiling faces! To save money, and support BHP CNS Parents' Group, consider using MINTED to print your holiday cards. See page 3 for details.

2024-2025 Registration Happens in December: Registration for children currently enrolled at BHP CNS will take place December 4th through 8th. Applications are available on the BHP CNS website at www.bhpcns.org and are available via brightwheel. For full registration details see page 5.

Coffee & Conversations with Growing Minds: Join us for another morning coffee, Monday, January 8th, as we discuss Kindergarten Readiness and how you can prepare your son/daughter for elementary school success.

Enchanted Forest Prom: Dust off those dancing shoes and pull out those fancy frocks--Bradley Bear is going to Prom and he wants YOU to join him! Thank you to Autumn Trevisan for all her hard work and planning. And thank you to our early sponsors! We look forward to an enchanting evening together on Saturday, February 17th.

On behalf of myself, Amanda, Carolyn, Ilene, and Kim, and the entire staff at BHP CNS we wish you and your families a joyous holiday season filled with safe travels, good friends, family reunions, holiday traditions, and much happiness.

Wishing you all the best in 2024!

Liz Sobrino
BHP CNS Director

December 1st

- Tuition Due
- Angel Gift Tree Donations Due

December 4th through 8th

- Enrollment for 2024-25 School Year

December 12th

- Pajama Day all TTh Classes

December 13th

- Pajama Day all MWF & MTWThF Classes

December 14th

- Holiday Party all TTh Classes

December 15th

- Sing-Along & Holiday Party
all MWF & MTWThF Classes
- No Stay & Play

December 18th - January 2nd

- SCHOOL CLOSED
Christmas Break

January 3rd

- School Resumes

January 4th

- Winter Cub Club Session Begins

January 8th

- Coffee & Conversation with Growing Minds
Kindergarten Readiness
9:15 BHP CNS Library
- Builders & Makers Enrichment Program
Led by Growing Minds
2:30-3:30pm
BHP CNS

January 11th

- Teddy Bear Playdates Enrichment Program
Led by Growing Minds
2:30-3:30pm
BHP CNS

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BRADLEY BEAR'S ENCHANTED FOREST PROM

Get ready to dance the night away in a whimsical setting straight out of a prom from old. This enchanting event will take place on **Saturday, February 17th at 8:00pm.**

Bradley Bear's prom promises to be an unforgettable evening of fun. Dress to impress in your finest attire, be it a glamorous gown or a dapper suit, and let the forest be your dance floor. Hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served with an open bar with punch, beer, and wine.

Net proceeds from the evening will be used to fund BHP CNS' Alla Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund which provides tuition assistance to families in need. Please help us ensure all children in our community receive a quality early childhood experience!

Purchase tickets [HERE](#) or from BHP CNS main office.



Dear Parents,

The Board has been working hard to make sure your children are provided with a safe, creative and nurturing environment. As the Vice Chair and newest member of the Board, I am honored to be joining such a dedicated and passionate group of people. Feel free to contact us at board@bhpcns.org with any questions, concerns, or thoughts about the school.



Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church invites all interested families to our Advent and Christmas activities, including our Christmas tree lighting on December 10th at 5 pm followed by a chili cook-off dinner. Then on December 17th, there is a Christmas Brunch with Caroling following the 10:30 am worship service. And on Christmas Eve day at 11 am, all children are invited to participate in the church's Christmas Pageant - costumes provided and no rehearsal necessary. We look forward to seeing you.

We wish each of you a happy and healthy holiday season!

Gail Polser-Brown, BHPCNS Board Vice Chair

Rosanna Morrison, BHPCNS Board Chair

BHPCNS ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

SCREENINGS at BHPCNS

By completing the ASQ, you've enabled us to prepare for each child's temperament at the start of this school year. Over the past few months, we have enjoyed getting to know your child better, what they like and dislike, when they need a hug, when they want help, and when they want to be independent.

Classroom observations, ASQs, and parent requests are used to recommend a Speech or Occupational Therapy screening to help determine if a child's skills are age appropriate. BHPCNS works with experts in our area to conduct Speech and OT screenings twice a year and Vision and Hearing screenings once a year. These screenings are all provided at no additional cost to parents. BHPCNS feels strongly that early intervention can have an enormous positive impact on a child's immediate and long-term development.

The Speech and Occupational Therapy Screenings, while a snapshot in time, help BHPCNS identify whether a child's skills are age-appropriate, should be reassessed in 6 months, or should be examined more comprehensively. BHPCNS does not receive compensation for referrals made to outside organizations for more comprehensive assessments. We value the feedback from screenings and assessments and use this information to make adjustments to our programming to better meet the needs of every child in our program.

ANGEL GIFT TREE



At BHPCNS we celebrate December as a season of giving. The children will make "gifts" for their families. We will talk about how this season is for giving to others. During this season of giving, please talk with your child about helping others, especially those less fortunate.

The Angel Gift Tree is always a wonderful way to show your child the importance of giving to others.

Thank you for your generosity again this year! We donated over 50 gifts to the children of the clients of the Women's Collective in Washington D.C. Gifts received after December 1st will be donated to Toys for Tots.

2023-2024 PROGRAM OPTIONS

2

TWO-YEAR-OLD PROGRAMS

2 days: Tuesday & Thursday

3 days: Monday, Wednesday & Friday

5 days: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

3

THREE-YEAR-OLD PROGRAMS

2 days: Tuesday & Thursday

3 days: Monday, Wednesday & Friday

5 days: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

4

Pre-K PROGRAMS

3 days: Monday, Wednesday & Friday

5 days: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday



REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

Applications for the 2024-25 school year for NEW STUDENTS and SIBLINGS of currently enrolled students are now being accepted and are available online at www.bhpcns.org and via brightwheel.



PLEASE CONTINUE TO SHARE THE LOVE!!!

Parent referrals are what have kept our classrooms full for 66 years. We love meeting new families. They are welcome to tour the school and learn more about our program by calling the office at 301-365-2909.

Children must be 2 years old by September 1, 2024 to be eligible for enrollment at BHPCNS. *Siblings are given priority over families new to BHPCNS.* Acceptance or Wait List notifications will be sent home in late January 2024.



REGISTRATION FOR CURRENTLY ENROLLED STUDENTS

Registration for children currently enrolled at BHPCNS will take place starting Monday, December 4th, and end Friday, December 8th. Applications will be linked and shared in brightwheel at 10am on Monday, December 4th. Applications must be submitted between December 4th and December 8th in order to be given priority in enrollment.

Please recognize that children currently enrolled in our Cub Club, 2s' and 3s' programs, as well as those children who are enrolled in the Pre-K program, but are not age-eligible for Kindergarten, are guaranteed a place, however, it may not be your first choice.

Acceptance is based on a first-come, first-serve basis. Families will be notified in late January as to their child's placement for the 2024-25 school year.

BHPCNS follows Montgomery County Public Schools with regard to birthdate cut-off dates for admission.

Children must be... 2 by September 1, 2024 to enroll in the 2s,
3 by September 1, 2024 to enroll in the 3s,
and 4 by September 1, 2024 to enroll in Pre-K.



Winter 2024 Enrichment Programs for Social-Emotional Learning and Beyond!



Facilitation of play, friendship, growth-mindset and social-emotional skills development with Growing Minds' Early Childhood Specialists



BUILDERS and MAKERS

Ages 3-5

8 Mondays from 2:30-3:30pm

January 8, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 26, March 4, 11

Children engage in social-emotional, fine and gross motor development, and problem solving through playful experiences of building together. Each weekly session involves an opportunity to use a variety of materials to build a collaborative structure based on a story or problem that your child can help solve. Participants practice planning, taking turns, frustration tolerance, compromising, and communicating.

TEDDY BEAR PLAYDATES

Ages 3-5

8 Thursdays from 2:30-3:30pm

January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Children engage in dramatic play with their own stuffy! Each week involves a new opportunity for play expression on topics such as visiting the doctor, getting ready for bed, saying goodbye, caring for someone who is sick, or celebrating a birthday. We practice sharing about feelings (their own and others), nurturing, frustration tolerance, self-regulation, and mindfulness.



Contact Us

www.growingmindstherapy.com
intake@growingmindstherapy.com
301-235-9927 ext. 0

REGISTER HERE



Each 8 session program costs \$400.

Make checks payable to BHPCNS
or make payment via brightwheel.

HELPING CHILDREN BY USING A VISUAL SCHEDULE AT HOME



Visual schedules give kids the information they need about what is happening, when it's happening, and any changes to their routine when transitioning from one activity to another. Depending on your child's age and abilities, a visual schedule may include objects and pictures or just words.

Implementing a visual schedule can be a game-changer for your kids and for you. Using a visual schedule can help your kids mentally prepare for transitions or challenging activities throughout the day. They can help your child to become more independent.

Need help implementing a visual schedule at home?
Contact Liz at lsobrin@bhpcns.org



BHPCNS & Growing Minds invite you to

COFFEE & Parent Gatherings

WHEN: After Morning Drop-Off - 10:45am

WHERE: BHPC Library

Jan 8 - Kindergarten - Preparing Yourself and Your Child

Feb 5 - Siblings - Promoting Sibling Harmony

Mar 4 - All Things Potty

Apr 8 - Picky Eaters - Broadening Food Choices & Creating Peaceful Mealtimes

Please RSVP so we know how much coffee to brew

COFFEE & PARENT GATHERINGS

ARE YOU & YOUR CHILD READY FOR KINDERGARTEN?

Kindergarten Readiness
and how to make a smooth
transition to the next phase
of your child's education.

All are welcome to attend.
Childcare will be provided in
the adjoining nursery.

Monday, January 8th
After drop-off - 10:30am
BHPC Library



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RSVP HERE



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Bronwyn Shore
 Miguel Gutierrez Bogdanov
 Roman Jacob
 Celine Valiaveedu
 Sheridan Brodeur
 Halima Meniefield
 Ella Davis



Logan Makumbe
 Callan Morris
 Matilda Sloan
 Scarlett Claunch
 Ben Muir
 Brooks Roach
 Cemre Akdemir

When sending in birthday treats, please send in small cupcakes, mini muffins, fruit kabobs, etc. Keep classroom food allergies in mind. We share birthday treats at snack time! There is a snack ingredient form outside the office and on our website. Please complete the allergen form or send in a list of ingredients so we can be aware of any possible allergens. If you have any questions, please reach out to your child's teacher or the office.

HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS AT BHPCNS

- TTh 2-Year-Old Classes will sing for and celebrate with their siblings, parents, grandparents, nannies, etc. in their classrooms on Dec. 14th at 11:00 am. Lunch Bunch and Stay & Play will be held as scheduled.
- MWF 2-Year-Old Classes will sing for and celebrate with their siblings, parents, grandparents, nannies, etc. in their classrooms on Dec. 15th at 10:15 am. Children will be excused following the classroom party. Lunch Bunch and Stay + Play will not be held.
- TTh 3-Year-Old Class will host a sing-along for their siblings, parents, grandparents, nannies, etc. in Covenant Hall on Dec. 14th at 11:30 am. A party will follow in their classroom. Lunch Bunch and Stay + Play will be held as scheduled.
- MWF & MTWThF 3-Year-Old & Pre-K Classes will sing together for their families outside the Main Church Doors on Dec. 15th at 9:30 am. Parties will occur in individual classrooms immediately following the performance. Children will be excused following the classroom party. Stay + Play will not be held.

SHARE YOUR HOLIDAY TRADITIONS WITH YOUR CHILD'S CLASS

Parents, family members, and friends are welcome to share their family's holiday traditions with their child's classrooms. Contact your child's teacher if you or a family member would like to read a special story, bring a beloved family recipe for a class snack, make a traditional craft, or more to share with your child's class.



STUDENT ABSENCES OR ILLNESS

If your child is ill and will be missing school, please call the office, message us via brightwheel, or send us an email. If your child has a communicable disease, covid, strep throat, head lice, etc. we need to know to be able to share that information with the rest of the class. Your child will remain anonymous when informing the class. In some cases, we are obligated to share communicable disease information with the Montgomery County Health Department.

We are often asked: "How do you know when to keep a child home?"

Here are some guidelines:

- Do not send your child to school within 24 hours of a fever.
- Do not send your child to school within 24 hours of diarrhea.
- Do not send your child to school within 24 hours of vomiting.
- Do not send your child to school if they have not been symptom free for 24 hours without the use of medication.
- Do not send your child to school if they are heavily congested and/or coughing excessively.
- Any child who is absent for 3 or more days must have a Doctor's note to return to BHPCNS.

Please note the 24 hour rule in the above guidelines.

We share EVERYTHING at preschool. Sometimes, even colds and viruses. The flu vaccine, COVID, and RSV vaccines are an effective way to protect your child from these viruses. Please consider having your child vaccinated. We want to keep our Bradley Bear cubs, their teachers, and families as healthy as possible.

WEATHER RELATED CLOSINGS

BHPCNS follows Montgomery County Public Schools, MCPS, emergency weather closings. To be in the know sign up for MCPS Alerts click [HERE](#).

- If MCPS schools are closed,
BHPCNS will be closed.
- If MCPS has a two-hour delay,
BHPCNS will begin the school day at 11:00 am,
except for Early Morning with Bradley Bear students who may arrive at 10:00 am.
Students in the 2-year-old program stay until 12:30 pm.
Lunch Bunch will be cancelled. We will provide a hearty snack for all 2-year-olds.
- If MCPS closes schools early,
BHPCNS will close at 11:30 for the 2s,
BHPCNS will close at 12:30 for 2-year-olds who participate in Lunch Bunch,
BHPCNS will close at 12:30 for the 3-year-old and Pre-K classes.
Stay & Play will be cancelled.



IS THERE A NEW BABY IN YOUR HOME?

CONGRATULATIONS!

We'd love a picture of them to add to our Future Bradley Bear Cub display. Please drop off a photo of your newest family member in the office and we will add your picture to our display wall.



BRADLEY BEAR IS LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS



1. Do you love children?
2. Are your children growing up too fast?
3. Do you want to be part of our loving community?
4. Are you looking for a meaningful way to spend your mornings?

If you've answered yes to these questions and are interested in learning more about becoming a substitute teacher, please contact Liz or Carolyn for more details.

PLAYGROUNDS at BHPCNS

The playgrounds are maintained by the Nursery School but are available to the communities surrounding BHPCNS to use at their own risk. All children and their families are welcome to use the playgrounds as long as a class or other building user is not present on the playground. Please come out and play in the afternoons, on the weekends, and during the winter holidays.



HOLIDAY FAVORITES from our LIBRARIAN - Mrs. Hauck

December is here, and with it many wonderful holiday traditions. The BHPCNS Library has an abundance of books about the winter holidays. Here are a few of my favorites:

Joy to the World: Christmas Around the Globe by Kate DePalma. Share with your little one the many wonderful ways Christmas is celebrated around the world. With beautiful illustrations and simple text, "Joy to the World" highlights traditions from 13 countries.

Santa Claus and the Three Bears by Maria Modugno. The three bears sit down for a bowl of pudding on Christmas Eve, but the pudding is too hot. While waiting for the pudding to cool, the bears take a walk in the woods and arrive home to a big surprise! This is a wonderful and different retelling of the classic fairy tale.

The Night Before Hanukkah by Natasha Wing. Hanukkah traditions are illustrated in rhyming text as a family celebrates the eight days of this special holiday.

My First Kwanzaa Book by Deborah M. Newton Chocolate. A little boy learns about the seven principles of Kwanzaa as he celebrates this holiday with his family. Includes Swahili vocabulary.

For the dancers in our midst...the library has four versions of The Nutcracker, cataloged under: Docampo, Jeffers, Hautzig, and Hoffmann.

You and your child are always welcome to borrow books. Please see the office staff for assistance. If you have any library questions, please contact Jan Hauck at jbhauck@bhpcns.org.





Happy Holidays everyone! We hope you all had a fantastic Thanksgiving. It's been a busy and FUN couple of weeks at BHPCNS.

We'd like to extend a big Bradley Bear shout-out to our wonderful parent volunteers for their help during Donuts with Dates. We hosted over 200 donut-eaters and the kids had the sweetest time ;)

We truly can't host these events effectively without the extra hands. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS MINTED FUNDRAISER

It's holiday card time! MINTED partnership: **20% off for you and 15% of your purchase will go to BHPCNS!**
A great way to order holiday cards or custom gifts for family or teachers.
Use the code **FUNDRAISEBHPCNS** at www.minted.com



Regardless of how you print your holiday cards, please share them with the rest of Bradley Hills. Bring your card to the office to hang at the school entrance. We love seeing all your smiling faces!

SILVER GRAPHICS FALL FUNDRAISER

We raised over \$600 for the school and there is still time to order!



A HUGE thank you to Kelsey Brown for her hard work in facilitating the SilverGraphics fundraiser again for the 3rd year in a row. We raised just over \$600, last year we raised about \$1200, so we are hoping parents take a moment to place orders before end of year!



Go to: www.silvergraphics.com/shop

Enter Access Code: **BHP23Art**

In the fall of 2024, Kelsey is excited to have another parent take the reins as an opportunity to get involved at BHPCNS - if you're interested in helping out in 2024, please email cass.price@gmail.com!



CALLING ALL COOKIE LOVERS!

Coming back early January by (very) popular demand... Take-home, Cookie Decorating Kits by female-owned, local, small business @thecookiemackster! Check her out on Instagram.

Order your kit quickly, as supply is limited! Each kit costs \$28 and includes:
-8 already-baked, winter-themed, delicious sugar cookies, ready for your kiddo(s) to decorate
-2 colored icings
-2 toppings

These are such a fun activity and art project to do at home and will be distributed to your child's tote area in time for the long MLK weekend.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR at BHPCNS

January 29th thru February 2nd

If you are interested in helping out, please email parentsgroup@bhpcns.org ASAP so we can plan ahead. We need volunteers to do easy set-up of book fair displays, run the cash register for small windows of time, and so on - we cannot wait for this event!



Thanks to everyone for your continued support. Please contact the Parents' Group with any questions at parentsgroup@bhpcns.org.

Kaeli Duggan & Cass Price
Parents' Group Co-Chairs

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SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

CUB CLUB (our youngest Bradley Bears) with Mrs. Barnett

Our Fall Session of Cub Club is coming to an end. We will miss our tiniest Bradley Bears who come to BHPCNS on Thursday mornings to play alongside a caregiver and Mrs. Barnett. Classes for our Winter Session, which runs from January 4th until March 21st, will be led by Mrs. Colonna.



SINGING with Ms. Casey (*all ages*)

With the spooky season behind us, the rest of the year always feels like a whirlwind. Thank you to all of the parents who dressed up with their kids to trick or treat or go to parties. I assure you, watching them excitedly share their Halloween stories made the effort worthwhile. - One moment we're singing about the skeletons inside of us and falling leaves and the next we're dreaming of snow. The changing scenery, weather, and anticipation of celebrations with family are just a few of the things that make the end of the year so magical. On the subject of MAGIC, mark your calendars now for the holiday concerts! The children are already warming up to give their family and caregivers a show to remember. While many of the kids revel in a repeat performance and chance to help lead the younger children, this will be the first time performing for many of our young artists. The air will be filled with anticipation, a smattering of anxiety, and a whole lot of SPIRIT! We hope you'll join us 'with bells on!'

STAY & PLAY PROGRAMMING

Early Mornings with Bradley Bear, Lunch Bunch, and Stay & Play are available on a drop-in basis as space allows. Need an extra 2 hours one afternoon for holiday shopping? Consider Stay & Play as an option for your 3 or 4-year-old. Emergency dental appointment at 8:30 am? Consider dropping your child off at Early Morning. Two-year-olds can "drop into" Lunch Bunch, too.

Signup sheets are available outside of the office, on our website, and on brightwheel. Please tell your child's teacher when you sign your little one up as a drop-in.



MONDAYS

sports & games

Coach Cardoni Reports: In December our Sporty Bears will concentrate on learning the game of Field Hockey. We will continue to build on all of the benefits of soccer: coordination and balance, agility, improving social skills and promoting sportsmanship with the added benefits of hand eye coordination and upper body strengthening using the hockey stick to move (dribble) the ball down the field. We will be working on self-constraint because every time you hit the ball it doesn't need to cross the entire field.

Join our team and let's get going!



TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS

dance



Choreographer Colleen Snyder Shares: I am so proud of how our Bradley Bear dancers are growing this season. They are learning basic Ballet shapes and positions. Their first and second positions look good and their galloping chasse looks great. They are learning weight shifting activities along with body part identification and isolation through movement games. Best of all, they are working on the Winter Wonderland Dances to show you in January. They are dancing up a (snow) storm and so very excited. Our dancers are also very busy crafting all kinds of winter wonderland projects to decorate the stage for the show in January!

Our Winter Recital will be January 25th at 1:45pm. All are welcome to attend.

TUESDAYS

science

Scientist Juhazsne Shares: The air is filled with the smell of the Holidays. Our tastebuds are watering thinking of delicious apple pie, warm dinner rolls, bright red cranberry sauce.

What is the science behind all these delicious meals? Why do apples turn brown in the pie? Why does the bread rise and why is the butter so creamy? Is it just me, or does the cranberry sauce look like red slime?

The Wiggly Wizards are looking for the answers to all these questions in December.



WEDNESDAYS

cooking

November found us cracking more than a few eggs as we made omelets and quiches. Our chefs are becoming quite adept at whisking, flipping, measuring, following directions, and, of course, cracking eggs.

Holiday entertaining takes stage in December in Cooking with Bradley Bear. We'll be working on our fine motor skills as wrap up two delicious hor d'oeuvres that we know you will want to add to your holiday "playlist." First up, an all-time favorite of kids (and adults), Bacon Wrapped Tater Tots! The second recipe for the month is a bit fancier, but still (somewhat surprisingly) a favorite with our cubs---Phyllo Wrapped Asparagus. Bon Appetit!



THURSDAYS

geography

Willkommen in Deutschland!

Our cubs boarded a plane and landed in Germany. This is the first European country we will be visiting this year. Our cubs will have a chance to learn about German history and see pictures from some of the most beautiful places in the world: Cologne, Heidelberg, Bamberg, Berlin, and Neuschwanstein (the famous castle Walt Disney was inspired by when making Sleeping Beauty and replicated at the entrance of the Magic Kingdom and featured in their production logo)! We will be visiting the Alps and talking about the most popular winter sports in Germany: skiing, ice skating and ski jumping. While in the Alps, we will try our hand at yodeling, which was used traditionally to communicate with other cow or goat herders across vast distances. We will taste marzipan and cheese pretzels, two foods Germany made popular.

In our last class before the holidays, we will learn about Christmas traditions from the many countries we will visit this school year. We will learn that the Christmas tree actually originates from Germany. That in Uganda (our next destination), palm trees are decorated instead of spruce trees. And we will share bread breaking wishes to one another for prosperity of New Year!



FRIDAYS

yoga



Yogi Cardoni Shares: Our Yogi Bears will start December by going on an adventure to the North Pole. We will practice old poses and learn some new ones - toboggan, triangle and bow. We will return safe and warm to BHPCNS where we will end our practice pretending we are snowflakes falling and wafting through a crisp December sky. Throughout the month, the Yogi Bears will continue their practice with gratefulness and mindfulness, both in thought and action. Our Christmas yoga class will be a celebration of friendship with all of the yoga students joining together for our weekly practice. We hope your child joins us for some calm, relaxing fun. Wishing all of our Yogi Bears and their families a safe and peaceful holiday season. Namaste!

TWO'S RULE
monday through friday

In December, the 2s will create beautiful art inspired by the snow, talk about the holidays and the excitement that fills the air. The time will fly by as we have so much fun together!

REMINDER - no Stay & Play on Friday, December 15th



BRADLEY HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Advent is here! We at Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church wait, watch, and rejoice as we approach Christmas. Thanks to all the families who participated in the collection of gifts for the children of clients at the Women's Collective in Washington, DC and the Dennis Avenue Health Center. We have many Christmas activities this month and invite you to join any and all that appeal to your family!

Sunday, December 10 at 5:30 pm: We will have an Advent Workshop with opportunities to do different crafts to help your family celebrate Advent and Christmas as well as the third annual Christmas Tree Lighting and carol singing. The Chili Cookoff in Memorial Hall follows at 6:30 pm. Come for all or part of the festivities.

Wednesday, December 13 at noon and 7:30 pm: We offer a Blue Christmas Service for all who would like to remember someone or something that they miss or are "blue" about this year

Sunday, December 17: We will have worship at 10:30 am and then, after worship, the Christmas Brunch and Caroling party.

Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve: The Children's pageant will be in the morning this year!

- The 11:00 service will include the pageant. Please come at 10:30 to get your child in costume and ready for the service!

Sunday, January 21, after 10:30 service: Family Connections: Scavenger Hunt

Family-friendly Service Opportunity: Smart Sacks is back in operation at 11:30 am each Sunday morning. We fill bags that provide supplemental food to families in Montgomery County who are food deficient over the weekends. All ages are welcome to help!