

The Bear Facts

Celebrating 68 Years of Early Childhood Education



Dear Parents,

Wow! It's time to celebrate family, friends, and food! At BHPCNS we will be thinking, talking, playing, and singing about the things that make us happy and thankful. Please check your child's tote bag(s) for a paper feather. Write what they are happy for this holiday season, decorate, and return to your teacher.

Now that there's a bit of a chill in the air and the leaves are falling down, please dress your child in layers of easy-to-wear jackets and fleece. Also, label their jackets, coats, boots, etc. You'd be amazed at how many children have the same jacket, hats, and mittens.

BHPCNS will be hosting ALUMNI DAY on Monday, November 3rd. Alumni (of all ages) are invited to join in the fun. We will start at 8:30 am with donuts and coffee in Memorial Hall. From 9:00-10:00 am alumni children, and their caretakers, can rotate through many stations: face painting, temporary tattoos, crafts, an Epic Events photo booth, an obstacle course, and more! All stations will be run by Alumni. It is an event not to be missed!

Registration for the 2025-26 school year has begun for students who will be NEW to BHPCNS. Registration for children currently enrolled at BHPCNS will begin on Monday, December 1st and end on Friday, December 5th. Full details can be found on page 5.

This December, in the spirit of giving, BHPCNS will be asking you to make a gift to our annual fund to help support BHPCNS and our ability to provide an excellent preschool experience for all our students. Even the smallest of gift, when combined, can make a BIG difference. We are hoping to raise \$18,000. Letters will be sent home on Giving Tuesday, December 2nd.

I am grateful for our amazing teachers who lovingly care for your children each day. And I continue to be thankful for your children who fill our days and hearts with joy & laughter.

Wishing everyone the happiest of Thanksgivings,



Liz Sobrino **BHPCNS** Director

November 1st Tuition Due

November 3rd

 ALUMNI DAY 8:30-10:00am Memorial Hall

November 10th, 11th, 12th

• Occupational Therapy Screenings

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November 14th

• Thanksgiving Basket Donations Due

November 16th

• Interfaith Worship 10:30am BHPC

November 17th*

• <u>Donuts w/Dates</u> MWF Classes 8:30-8:55am Rainy Day Room

November 18th*

• Donuts w/Dates TTh Classes 8:30-8:55am Rainy Day Room *MTWThF classes may rsvp for either day

November 19th

• BHPCNS Board Meeting 7:30pm

November 21st

• Order Scholastic Books for holiday gifts

November 22nd

• Parents' Group Barre & Bubbles 3:30pm Barre 3 Bethesda

November 23rd

• BHPC Annual Chili Cook-Off 5:00-7:00pm Memorial Hall

November 24th

• Thanksgiving Party, MWF 2s & 3s

• Thanksgiving Feast, Pre-K Classes

November 25th

• Thanksgiving Party, TTh 2s & MTWThF 3s

November 26-28th

• SCHOOL CLOSED - Thanksgiving Break

November 30

• BHPC Christmas Tree Lighting 5:00-6:00pm Church Sanctuary

December 1st

• Tuition Due

December 1st-5th

• Applications for RETURNING students

December 2nd

• Giving Tuesday - Annual Fundraiser Begins

December 3rd

• Parents' Group Potty Training Seminar 7:30pm via Zoom

WEBSITE / FACEBOOK / INSTAGRAM / GOOGLE GROUPS / YOUTUBE

STAY CONNECTED













DONUTS with DATES

Monday, November 17th OR Tuesday, November 18th 8:30 am - 8:55 am

The Parents' Group invites BHPCNS students and their date of choice (a parent, grandparent, caregiver, older sibling, etc.) to enjoy a sweet treat and coffee before drop off!

RSVP HERE









MTWThF Classes may RSVP for the day that works best for them.

BARRE & BUBBLES FUNDRAISER

Saturday, November 22nd at 3:30pm



Space is limited to 28 participants. \$25/person billed in brightwheel with proceeds going to Parents' Group.

Register <u>HERE</u>



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4829 Cordell Avenue, Bethesda

PARENTS' GROUP POTTY TRAINING SEMINAR

Wednesday, December 3rd



- Are you thinking of toilet training your child?
- Is your child doing great at home but having accidents when you are on the go?
- Is toilet training sort-of, completed, but not really....
- Do you think, "My kid goes potty on the potty, but...."



<u>RSVP</u> HERE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3rd

7:30 pm via zoom

This **FREE** lecture is provided by the BHPCNS Parents' Group.

Come hear Sally Neuberger share proven methods and speak about all things potty. Whether you are just beginning the process, have questions about peeing and pooping, or have questions about what is developmentally appropriate, then this is the lecture for you!

Potty Training Seminar expert Sally Neuberger is a licensed clinical social worker in Maryland where she is now in private practice after a 20 year history with pre-school and elementary age children and their families in a school setting for children with learning differences.



We want to thank everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts so far this year. Funds raised from the September Shake Shack Dine-Out and Auntie Anne's Pretzel Kits directly support Parents' Group sponsored events like the back to school social, potty training seminar, and the upcoming donuts with dates.

We are grateful for all the support and have enjoyed getting to meet so many of you these first few weeks.

Thank you for your continued support!

Parents' Group Co-Chairs

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Dear Parents,

At this time of year, we reflect on our many blessings. For Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church and the BHPCNS Board, those blessings include the amazing BHPCNS teachers and administrators. They truly are what makes BHPCNS such a special school and community.

As part of the 6601 community, families are invited to participate in two upcoming interfaith activities: the annual Thanksgiving Food Drive and the Interfaith Worship Service and Brunch. Details about these opportunities can be found on page 14 of this newsletter.

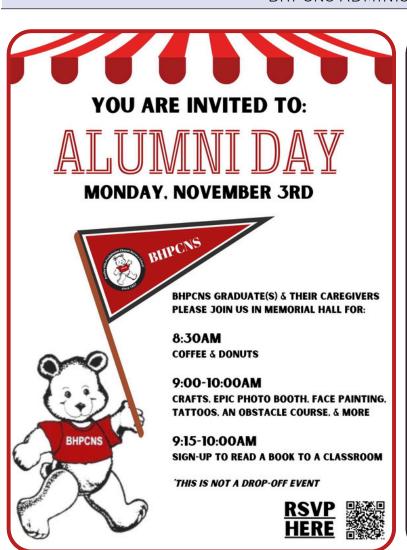
Our second Board meeting for the school year will be on Wednesday, November 19 at 7:30 pm. If you have any topics you would like included on the meeting agenda, please contact the Board at <u>board@bhpcns.org</u>. Board meetings are open to anyone with notification to the Board Chair through this email address at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Throughout the school year, please feel encouraged to reach out to the Board with your questions, concerns, or thoughts about the school.

On behalf of the BHPCNS Board and Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church, we wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving!

Rosanna Morrison, BHPCNS Board Chair Scott Allshouse, BHPCNS Board Vice Chair



BHPCNS ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES





REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

Applications for the 2026- 2027 school year for NEW STUDENTS and SIBLINGS of currently enrolled students are available online <u>HERE</u>.





Parent referrals are what have kept our classrooms full for 68 years. We love meeting new families. They are welcome to tour the school and learn more about our program. Please call the office at 301-365-2909 to set-up a tour or have any questions answered.

Children must be 2 years old by September 1, 2026 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 2026.

REGISTRATION FOR CURRENTLY ENROLLED STUDENTS

Registration for children currently enrolled at BHPCNS will take place starting Monday, December 1st, and end Friday, December 5th. Applications will be linked and shared in brightwheel at 10am on Monday, December 1st. Applications must be submitted between December 1st and December 5th in order to be given priority enrollment. **Acceptance is based on a first-come, first-serve basis.**

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

Families will be notified in late January 2026 as to their child's placement for the 2026-27 school year.



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

Children must be... 2 by September 1, 2026 to enroll in the 2s, 3 by September 1, 2026 to enroll in the 3s, and 4 by September 1, 2026 to enroll in Pre-K.

2026-2027 PROGRAM OPTIONS**



TWO-YEAR-OLD PROGRAMS

2 days: Tuesday & Thursday

3 days: Monday, Wednesday & Friday

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

THREE-YEAR-OLD PROGRAMS
2 days: Tuesday & Thursday

3 days: Monday, Wednesday & Friday

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

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Pre-K PROGRAMS

3 days: Monday, Wednesday & Friday

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

**Based on enrollment



EARLY INTERVENTION with specially trained therapists can make a tremendous difference in a young child's life. Children's neuropathways are very maliable during their first five years. A speech delay can impede a child's social development and their ability to communicate and play with peers. Early detection and intervention impacts and supports a child's development, play skills, family harmony, and transition to kindergarten.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SCREENINGS

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday November 10th, 11th & 12th



BHPCNS will have Occupational Therapists from <u>Canyon Kids</u>, on site to screen children for fine & gross motor skills, sense-of-space, personal boundaries, and more. For the screenings we convert a classroom into a play-space to observe children's development. This will be a brief screening and not a formal assessment.

We will identify children for the screenings using one or more of the following methods:

- 1. ASQ-3 Questionnaires
- 2. Teacher and Specialists Observations
- 3. Parent Requests

If your child has been referred to be screened, you will receive a letter. To have your child participate in the screening process you must sign and return the Permission Slip.

Notify Liz at <u>Isobrino@bhpcns.org</u> by November 4th, if you would like your child to be screened. Include the reason for the screening and your child's birthdate. Reports will be sent home after the screening with any recommendations.









EARLY INTERVENTION HELPS

"We were so thankful that BHPCNS provided Occupational Therapy pre-screenings as part of their program. This pre-screening gave us insight into sensory issues and general social-emotional struggles that our child experiences. Because of the early screening, we were able to partner with Canyon Kids and BHPCNS to make sure our son was set up for success in the Pre-K program at BHPCNS and he is now having a successful start to Kindergarten!"

—Parents of a Former Pre-K student

Occupational and Physical Therapy Milestones

months

- · Use fingers and palm to hold objects
- · Reach for toy and bring to midline of body
- Follow objects with eyes in all directions
- Raise head off floor when on stomach
- · Bring hands to mouth
- Alternate kicking legs
- · Prop on forearms
- · Roll from side to side and stomach to back

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- Feeds self cracker
- Holds cup with 2 hands, drinks with assistance
- Holds arms/legs out when being dressed
- Transfer objects from one hand to the other
- Pincer grasp (forefinger and thumb)
- Stacks 2-4 objects
- Prop on forearms
- Sit alone independently with trunk rotation
- · Crawl independently
- · Pulls to stand
- . In standing position, cruises along furniture
- · Distinguish friends from strangers
- . Show displeasure at the loss of a toy

months

- · Holds hands out to be washed
- · Dries hands with help
- · Tries to put on shoes
- · Turns pages of cardboard books
- · Uses both hands to play
- Points at object with index finger
- · Walk independently without support
- · Creep down steps independently
- Uses spoon, with some spilling
- Scribbles
- · Builds tower of 4-6 objects
- Kick a stationary ball
- Throws small ball underhand 3 feet forward before it touches the floor

- · Walk up steps with support
- · Run without falling
- Mimics simple actions
- · Shows anxiety when separated from

years

- Drinks from cup, unassisted
- Can undress self

- · Jumps in place, jumps forward 4 inches without
- · Squat to stand without falling
- · Show strong sense of self through assertiveness
- · Show pride and pleasure at new accomplishments
- Begin to be helpful, such as by helping to put things away

years

- Opens door by turning handle
- Takes off coat / puts on coat with assistance
- Washes and dries hands
- Strings 2 to 4 beads
- · Removes screw on lip from bottle
- Draws a circle Snips with scissors
- Holds crayon with thumb and fingers (not fist)
- · Catches 8" ball with arms extended
- · Placing 1 foot on each step, walks up 4 steps without support
- · With hands on hips, stand on 1 foot for 3
- Shares toys, taking turns with assistance
- · Initiate or join in play

years

- Buttons and unbuttons 1 button
- · Washes and dries hands independently
- · Blows nose when reminded
- · Uses toilet with minimal assistance
- Able to do simple puzzles (6-10 pieces)
- · Begins to draw pictures that represent real things
- · Cuts on a line continuously

- · Prints some capital letters
- · Runs and stops without falling
- · Hops forward on one foot, then hops forward on
- · Using overhand toss, hits target from 5 feet
- · Starts to develop friendships
- · Enjoys imaginative play with other children

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- · Completes 3 sit-ups
- Using overhand toss, hits target from 12 feet
- Able to function in structured group with rules
- Shows concern and sympathy for others
- Initiates sharing and taking turn
- · Spreads soft butter with knife
- Snaps fingers
- Copies a square

- Dresses self completely completes fasteners
- · Brushes teeth independently
- · Uses toilet independently
- · Colors between vertical lines
- · Prints own name and simple words
- Can write (letters not uniform, reversals still common)
- · With arms bent, using hands only, catches small ball



November is a time to be thankful and grateful for our families, friends, and relatives. At BHPCNS we spend the month of November focusing on family, friends, and food and what it means to be thankful with our bear cubs. It's always fun to hear what the children are most thankful for – of course we have to explain what it means to be thankful first. But once they understand. preschool-aged children overwhelmingly thankful for YOU! The staff and I are thankful and grateful to watch your children play, grow, and learn each and every day.



MWF and Pre-K classes will celebrate on Monday, November 24th. TTh and MTWThF 2-year-old and 3-year-old classes will celebrate on Tuesday, November 25th. Room Parents will be reaching out with ways you can help your class celebrate. BHPCNS will be closed November 26-28th for the Thanksgiving holiday. School resumes on Monday, December 1st.

Looking for ways to make Thanksgiving meaningful for you and your children?

This article from Parents magazine provides a historical look Thanksgiving. The article can be made age-appropriate for younger and children includes book suggestions for learning more about Thanksgiving.



This article from Bright Horizons has wonderful ideas on how to create a special Thanksgiving with young children.



Here are some resources on how to create fun Thanksgiving season traditions to share with your children now and for years to come. Preschool-aged children live in the here and now. They will enjoy sharing these traditions for years and years to come.

Fun Thanksgiving ideas include:

- Plan a special Thanksgiving breakfast or Friday morning breakfast and have your child help you make it.
- 2. Involve your child with the Thanksgiving menu planning and where possible, have your child help with the cooking.
- 3. Make thankful turkey hats for everyone in the family. Label the feathers with what you are thankful for or what makes you happy.
- Send homemade Thanksgiving cards to those who can't be with you. Have your child tell the recipient why they are special to your child.
- Organize a neighborhood bike, stroller, pet marching parade. Cone off the street or use driveways to set up tables with hot cider and cookies, Thanksgiving crafts, face painting, etc.
- gather via Zoom or FaceTime.



If there are family members who cannot gather with you, you can always

However you celebrate, may your Thanksgiving holiday be filled with love and gratitude.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PLAY DATES

We love having your child in our classes and activities where there is large group socialization. To supplement large group experiences we recommend lots of playdates. Playdates provide children with the opportunity to play one on one with a peer, the chance to share, take turns, practice manners and more. These are all very important skills for our children to master.

Talk with your child about who their special friends are at school and arrange a playdate at your home or the park. While a school setting provides lots of group dynamics it's important for a child to just play with one friend in an unstructured environment too.



ENCOURAGE PRETEND PLAY

Did you know that Scholastic Books has wonderful parent resources?

"Young children learn by imagining and doing. Have you ever watched your child pick up a stone and pretend it is a zooming car, or hop a Lego across the table as if it were a person or a bunny? Your child is using an object to represent something else while giving it action and motion. But this pretend play is not as simple as it may seem. The process of pretending builds skills in many essential developmental areas..."

Click <u>HERE</u> to access the full article

NEWS FROM OUR LIBRARY

At BHPCNS we celebrate Thanksgiving with a focus on food and family. We talk about the many things in our lives to be thankful for. Our school library has many picture books about gratitude, including the following.

"I am Thankful" by Sonali Fry — A classroom of children share what they are thankful for, from grandma's cookies to carrots to dandelion fuzz. A wonderful read-aloud with beautiful illustrations, diverse characters, and rhyming text.

"The Thank You Book" by Mo Willems — Piggie sets out to thank everyone she knows. Gerald is afraid Piggie will forget someone. With familiar characters and Mo Willems humor, this book is sure to be a hit.

"The Thankful Book" by Todd Parr — With bright illustrations and humor, this book encourages children to find something to be thankful for each day.

"I am Thankful each Day" by P.K. Hallinan — A child lists their many blessings, including the sunset, rain, family, and friends.

Parents, grandparents, and caretakers...you are welcome to visit the BHPCNS Library. Please see the office staff for assistance if you wish to borrow a book.

If you have any library questions, please contact Jan Hauck at jbhauck@bhpcns.org

I AM A SUPER FRIEND! - A SOCIAL STORY FOR BUILDING FRIENDSHIP SKILLS!



Scripted Stories for Social Situations are used at BHPCNS to help children understand social interactions, expectations, social cues, the script of unfamiliar activities, and/or social rules. These stories help children understand the expectations of a situation and problem behaviors can be improved.

<u>I Am a Super Friend!</u> is about a child who learns how to play and interact with friends and family. At BHPCNS we read social stories and model appropriate behaviors to help children learn the give and take of play in a group setting. Stories also help children identify their feelings and how they can be Super Friends. Each classroom has a copy of I Am a Super Friend! Stop by our library if you would like to borrow a copy to take home.



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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Graham Peyster William Rahm Leon Zhou

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 in the shared files on brightwheel. 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.

BRADLEY BEAR IS LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

1. Do you love children?

BHPCNS

VISITOR

- 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 for more details.



HEALTH, SAFETY & SECURITY AT BRADLEY HILLS

The health, safety and security of our children, staff, and families is a top priority at BHPCNS. Please drive slowly and cautiously during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. We have many small children in our parking lots during these times and their safety is more important than your timeliness.

To improve air quality, we have purchased air purifiers for each of our classrooms and shared spaces. We hope this will cut back on germ spread and illness throughout the year. Please remember to wash your child's hands (and change diaper/try using the restroom) before bringing your child to their classroom each morning.

VISITOR PROTOCOLS

We L♥VE when parents get involved!

Whether you are volunteering, reading a book, bringing in a forgotten item, serving a special snack, etc. please follow these protocols:

- All visitors need to sign in on the visitor log in the office
- Include your full name and reason for visiting
- Grab a VISITOR badge to wear while on campus
- Return badge and sign out before leaving

SCHOLASTIC BOOKS

Need holiday gift ideas? How about Scholastic Books? New flyers will be out in November and books will arrive before the holidays. Be on the lookout for scholastic brochures in your child's folder.

Orders are due Friday, November 21st

Shop BHPCNS school page online HERE.



STUDENT ABSENCES OR ILLNESS

If your child is ill and will be missing school, please call the office or send us an email. If your child has a communicable disease, 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 are heavily congested and/or coughing.

Please note the 24 hour rule in the above guidelines.

We share EVERYTHING at preschool. Sometimes, even colds and viruses. The flu vaccine and COVID-19 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 as healthy as possible.

CLOTHING FOR COOLER WEATHER

PLEASE LABEL ALL BELONGINGS







We are outside EVERY day! Please dress your child in layers for active play both indoors and outdoors. This includes well fitting, closed-toed shoes, and socks. Shoes must stay on a child's feet when running and climbing. Loose fitting pants, leggings, sweat pants, shirts, jackets allow children to move about freely on our play equipment. For our dress loving bear cubs we ask that the children wear shorts underneath. An extra set of dry clothes and socks kept in your child's tote bag will help us keep everyone dry throughout the changing seasons. Questions, check with your teacher or the office.

WEATHER RELATED CLOSINGS

BHPCNS follows Montgomery County Public Schools, MCPS, emergency weather closings. To be in the know sign up for MCPS Alerts click <u>HERE</u>.



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 anytime after 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-old classes. Cub Club will be held from 11:00am until 12:30 pm.

If MCPS closes schools early, Stay & Play will be cancelled.





DONATIONS

Before you throw it out donate it to BHPCNS
We are in need of large Oatmeal Canisters to make drums during Thanksgiving.

Large pine-cones for making turkeys
Please bring any donations to the office. Thank you!



OPEN DOOR POLICY AT BHPCNS

BHPCNS Open Door Policy: Thank you to everyone who has popped into the office with a question or concern! If at any time during the school year, you have a concern, complaint, an idea, or suggestion, please email, text, come to the office, or call us. We truly want to know your thoughts. Your ideas, suggestions, and critiques provide us with vital information that we can use to improve our programming. No issue is too small.

SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

ART (all ages) with Mrs. Mac 'N Cheese



In November, our 2 year old classes will experiment with color and how they mix. Our 3-year old and pre-K classes will build on the project we began in October. They will color in the details of the outlines they made using shadows and crayons.



MUSIC (all ages) with Little Hands

It's "Time to Cook" in Little Hands music classes this November! We'll be exploring kitchen activities through music and movement.

We'll use legato sounds for "washing" and staccato sounds for "chopping". <u>Wash and Chop</u> We'll also be counting potatoes with a new poem variation. <u>One Potato Variations.</u> And we will be dancing in the kitchen while preparing for a family dinner. Both the book and song can be found <u>HERE</u>.



Everyday activities, especially when shared with fun and love, create wonderful childhood memories. Adding a song or a poem can make these moments even more special!



Wishing all Bradley Bear families a lovely Thanksgiving!



MUSIC with Mrs. Colonna (two-year old classes)



Mrs. Colonna (our amazing Cub Club Teacher) visits each of our two-year old classrooms once a week to explore sounds, rhythm, and movement. Through simple songs, clapping games, and playful instruments, children can develop early listening skills, coordination, and creativity. The focus is on creating a positive and engaging environment where kids can enjoy music, express themselves, and start building a foundation for musical learning.

Music with Ms. Beth is SO much fun!

SCIENCE (3-year-old & Pre-K) with Mrs. Mac 'N Cheese



We will learn all about animals that seem scary, but are actually helpful and beneficial to our biological canvas.



Bats

Dogs



Vultures, and more!



SINGING with Ms. Casey (all ages)

Autumn has arrived! And with it all of the colorful wonders of the season. This month we'll continue to observe the beautiful changes we see in the world and mark the passing of time with songs celebrating the upcoming holidays. In November we'll sing about all of the ways - both big and small - that we're thankful and how to show thanks to those we love. Of course, fast on fall's heels come the December holidays so we'll also be taking time to learn songs for our holiday concert.

Mark your calendars now for this special event- Friday, December 19th.



SAY GOODBYE TO DOROTHY & DAISY

Thank you to all the families who have volunteered to care for our feathered friends on the weekends. We have loved spending the fall with them and will miss them dearly. Be sure to say goodbye before they head back to the farm early November.

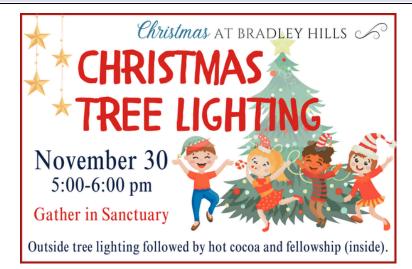




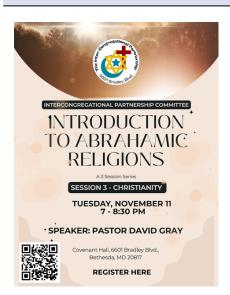


BRADLEY HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH





MAQAAME IBRAHIM ISLAMIC CENTER



The Inter-Congregational Partnership Committee (ICPC) invites you to attend the third in a series of clergy led introductory session on the three Abrahamic faiths that share sacred space in 6601 Bradley Boulevard.

Pastor David Gray will lead an introductory session on Christianity on November 11 from 7:00-8:30 pm in Covenant Hall. The session will be followed by the opportunity to mingle and share refreshments. We urge you to attend in person to get to know each other, but if you cannot, you can attend virtually on Zoom. Register HERE to attend the November 11 event. You must register to receive the zoom link for the session.

The session will be recorded and the recording posted on the ICPC webpage of your congregation's website. If you have any questions, please contact any of the chairs of the ICPC, Evelyn Ganzglass (BJC), Judy Ozone (BHPC), and Shaheen Khan (MIIC). Contact them at ICPC6601@gmail.com.

INTERFAITH EFFORTS

As we approach the colder weather, we give thanks to all who helped with the children's coat drive for Arcola Elementary School children! We hope you will participate in our upcoming Interfaith efforts: Our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive and Interfaith Sunday.

Please join our interfaith effort to provide Thanksgiving meals for 80 families in need in our area! Deliver non-perishable food to Memorial Hall by Sunday, November 16th.



Bring your child with you on your next trip to the grocery store and have them help check each item off from this list OR if you prefer not to shop, a monetary donation enables us to include grocery store gift cards for each family to purchase a turkey or other perishable items for their meal. You can donate in several ways:

- Online by credit card (via Realm): Choose "Thanksgiving Baskets" in drop down box for "Fund".
 - Donate online here.
- Purchase a \$25 gift card from Giant and deliver them to Rosanna Howard at BHPC or the Bethesda Jewish Congregation office.
- Monetary donations may also be made by check, made payable to either Bethesda Jewish Congregation or Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church, with "Thanksgiving Drive" in the memo. Mail or hand deliver to either BHPC or BJC.

Questions? Contact

Rosanna: rosanna@bradleyhillschurch.org or

Becky: becky@bethesdajewish.org









6601 Bradley Blvd, Bethesda, MD

Interfaith Service: 10:30 a.m. | Brunch: 11:30 a.m.

Join together in worship with members of three faiths as we celebrate our common spirit.

Brunch Registration: \$20 Adults | \$5 Kids 12 and Under. Please register by Nov. 13



Join us for brunch! We are happy to help if cost is a concern. Email us at

icpc6601@gmail.com

6601 Worship Partners

Bethesda Jewish Congregation Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church Maqaame Ibrahim Islamic Center









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