

Woodbrook Early Education

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Dear Families,

We have already begun our second month of school- that's crazy to think about! The children have done a fantastic job of getting accustomed to our school routines and structure. We are seeing friendships form and the children are starting to share so much with their teachers. Their personalities are really starting to shine. Some of our friends will take a little longer to adjust (especially our part time friends) and that is okay too. We often like to use the word, yet. They aren't there yet, but they will be and sometimes watching that moment of transition or learning something new, is the best part of our day!

You can help your child be successful at school by encouraging them to try things at home. This will be different for each child. Some may be working on putting on shoes independently. Others may be potty training. We want to encourage you to take the time to let your child attempt to do this for themselves. We know that as adults, we are often hurrying from one thing to the next, but it is incredibly important for the child to be included and involved in what is happening. This is how they learn best-by doing. If they have trouble, tell them it's okay, remind them there are things that you can't do yet or that are hard for you but that you keep trying. Take time to celebrate successes when they do things independently as well. While the process takes time, it is so rewarding to see their smiles when they have successes.



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As we begin October, we have already felt a change in weather. We are loving the cooler temperatures and more outside time. Remember that it can still be cold in the morning and very warm at times in the afternoon. Layers are often the best solution during this transitional weather. Be sure to check the extra clothes in your child's backpack or cubby so that they are appropriate for the season.

Fall is a wonderful time to explore the areas around us. The Baltimore area has many fun places that can be enjoyed as a family. We encourage you to take walks outside and look for signs of fall. It is fun to visit a local farm and go apple picking or choose your pumpkin together if your family carves one for Halloween. We have attached some local farms that you could visit. Always check their websites for more information about visiting before you go. The BSO (Baltimore Symphony Orchestra) is also putting on a series of events geared to our younger friends. Check them out at: <https://www.bsomusic.org/education/young-musicians/music-box-concerts/>

Thank you for allowing us to partner with you as we help your child grow and learn this year!

With love,
Angela





A Few Area Pumpkin Farms & Fall Activities

Weber's Cider Mill Farm
2526 Proctor Lane
Baltimore, MD 21234

Chapel Hills Farm & Nursery
4350 Chapel Road
Perry Hall, MD 21128

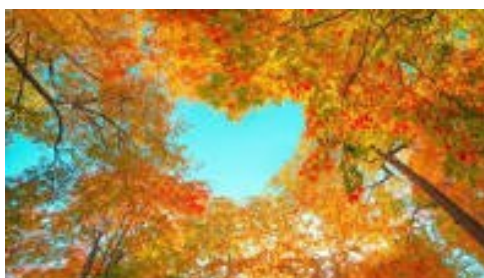
Clark's Elioak Farm
10500 Clarksville Pike
(rte. 108)
Ellicott City, MD 21042

Summers Farm
5620 Butterfly Lane
Frederick, MD 21703

Baughers Farm
1236 Baughers Road
Westminster, MD 21158

Beachmont Corn Maze
6433 Mt. Vista Road
Kingsville, MD 21087

Fresh McKenzie Charlotte's Web Corn Maze
5445 Patterson Road
Baldwin, MD 21013



Good Health Reminders

If your child/children are showing symptoms of an infectious illness such as COVID-19, influenza, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), or gastrointestinal infections, they should not attend school and should be tested for COVID-19 if appropriate. If the test is negative, they may return when symptoms are improved, and they have no fever for 24 hours without medication.



***Symptoms Requiring a Test:**



- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea





RED Room

We can not believe how fast the month of September flew by! We have had very few tears in the Red Room, but the children seemed to adjust in record time. Everyone seems to be enjoying school and each other!

In the month of September we started off with a two week unit on School Friends. We worked on recognizing our friends by name and a few safety rules. The following unit was called "All About Me." We talked about our physical body as well as our feelings. We learned that feelings are always changing and we are very special. We finished the month with a two week unit exploring Farm Life. We talked about the names of the animals, animal sounds, where the animals live on the farm, and how they help us. We also talked about what grows on a farm. We worked on recognizing colors, counting, and recognizing our written names. We now have the children's pictures on the name tags and cubbies. We also worked on the children's written names in our group setting.

In October we will first talk about pets and how to care for them. We will have a veterinarian clinic set up in our home living area. The following week is National Fire Safety Week. We will learn how fire fighters protect us and why they need to wear a special uniform while putting out a fire. On October 15th the fire department will bring a truck to our school as an in house field trip. All are welcome to come see the program. Please ask your child's teachers to stop by Ms. Elise & Ms. Angela's office for more information about the visit if you would like to stop by that morning. After this unit we will have a two week unit on the season of Fall. We will be talking about Fall changes and Fall colors. Towards the end of October we will celebrate Fall with a Fall Fun Fest. Details will be forthcoming. Our last unit of the month will be on Community Helpers. We will talk about their jobs and how they help us. We will continue to work on counting, colors, and recognizing the children's names.

The Red Room book is almost complete. Thank you for sending a family picture in for our book. We are very excited to show the children this very special book. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your child's life. We are grateful and your children are amazing!

Happy September & October Birthdays to Sophie (9/19),
Emma (9/20), and Ms. Aleia (9/21)!

Love, Ms. Karen, Ms. Sharon, Ms. Michelle, and Ms. Aleia



P.S. In the next few months we will have several birthdays. Celebrations are welcome! Please let us know if you would like to send in a special snack. Thank you and have a Blessed Day.

Who is in the **RED ROOM?**

Karen Mann— This is Ms. Karen’s 32nd year at the WEE Center. She started teaching when her youngest child was 2 years old and never left! She enjoys working in a Christian school where everyone is so supportive of one another. She also loves helping the children grow and develop new skills. Your children are so amazing and so very precious!

She now works part time in the Red Room. On her days off she helps the teachers in her grandchildren’s schools. She now has 12 grandchildren!! Three of her grandchildren have graduated from WEE. On weekends she likes to go to the grandchildren’s recreation games. She also enjoys family gatherings and going to the beach in the summer. Her other hobbies are reading and cross stitching. When asked to describe herself, Ms. Karen says she is “a worker”

**Something you might not know about Ms. Karen—Ms. Bev in the Yellow Room is her sister! In college we worked for the Orioles “Basebells” for the birthday parties..

Sharon Garvin- This is Ms. Sharon’s 8th year at the WEE Center. She has an AA degree in early childhood development. She has spent most of her adult life raising her 6 children, as well as providing daycare to 1-2 other children at a time. Her oldest is almost 32, so 30+ years have been spent taking care of children. She is an avid runner and cyclist. She also enjoys cooking, reading and gardening.

**Something you might not know about Ms. Sharon is that she has completed 3 half Ironman Triathlons and hopes to do another one. She also has her first grandchild and he recently turned 1!



Who is in the **RED ROOM?**

Ms. Michelle: This is Miss Michelle's 2nd year at WEE. She graduated from Towson University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology. Michelle has been teaching preschool for 18 years. She loves watching children learn, grow, and blossom through the year. It brings her so much joy to have daily conversations and to interact with children each day. Miss Michelle loves hiking, and going to the gym. She loves baseball and football.....Go Orioles and Go Ravens! Michelle is very involved in her church. Michelle lives with her twin sister in the White Marsh area.

**Something you may not know about Michelle is she has lived with her sister for all of her life except for 3 months.

Ms. Aleia: This is Ms. Aleia's 3rd year at the WEE Center! She has been teaching for 5 years but she has been taking care of children since she was 5 years old. Her hobbies include singing, reading, cooking, and crossword puzzlers. Ms. Aleia is very excited to be back in the Red Room this year!

**Something you may not know about Ms. Aleia is that she has 5 older brothers! She also loves the beach!





YELLOW Room

September flew by! The children have really adjusted well to the routine in the Yellow Room. We have been having a wonderful time getting to know your children! The class has been amazing getting to know the new classroom routine. The teachers are looking forward to a fantastic year watching your children grow!

October will be filled with lots of fall fun! We will be learning about Apples, Fire Safety, Fall, and we will end the month with a Fall Funfest. Details will be forthcoming.

With Fire Safety we will practice how to Stop, Drop and Roll if our clothes should catch on fire. The fire fighters will be coming to visit too! Stay tuned for the date. During our Apple theme we will be tasting and graphing our favorite apples. We will be making a lot of apple art too! We will also be talking about Fall and all the changes God brings about. We will be going on nature walks as we look for signs of Fall. Throughout the month we will continue to work on our letter of the week, scissors skills and numbers. The children have really enjoyed the Bible stories and our Specials! It's been a great start to the year.

Happy October Birthdays to Ruth (10/11) and Charles (10/15)

Thank you for sharing your wonderful children with us! Happy Fall!



Love, Ms. Bev, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Kate,
and Ms. Kristen

Who is in the YELLOW ROOM?

Bev Cvach: This is Ms. Bev's 41st year teaching and her 34th year at the WEE Center. She has taught 2's and 3's while at the WEE Center. Ms. Bev and her husband Paul have been married for 49 years and they have 3 children. She has 11 grandchildren, 7 of which have graduated from WEE and 2 are still attending. Ms. Bev loves to travel and enjoys watching her grandchildren play sports. If Ms. Bev had not been a teacher she would have become a missionary. Ms. Bev says she looks forward to going to WEE because it feels like an extended family.

- **Something you might not know about Ms. Bev is that her youngest daughter was in her first class at WEE!

Ms. Jordan Ms. Jordan is excited to be in her 5th year at the WEE Center as a Yellow Room teacher. She has been a teacher for 10 years and is a mommy to her sons Jace and Jaxon. Ms. Jordan grew up in Baltimore. When she is not at school she enjoys spending time with family and friends. Her favorite store is Target and she loves Disney.

**Something you may not know about Ms. Jordan is that she loves tacos!



Who is in the YELLOW ROOM?

Ms. Kate: This is my 4th year as an Assistant Teacher at WEE. My love of children comes from being the eldest of 10 cousins. In my free time I crochet, go on nature walks, and spend time with my loved ones. Some of my favorites in life are my 3 dogs, chocolate (or anything sweet), spring-time, Christmas, Hershey Park, and Taylor Swift.

Something you may not know about Ms. Kate is that she dreams of studying atmospheric sciences to become a meteorologist despite her poor understanding of math and having a fear of severe weather.

Ms. Kristen: Ms. Kristen will join the Yellow Room on October 7th! She has her AA in Early Childhood Education, has taught in ECE for 29 years, and has spent the last 12 years teaching at La Petite. She has been working most recently with the older 3 and 4 year old children there. She loves spending time with her friends and family. She has a love of country music and enjoys a yearly trip to Nashville.

Something you might not know about Ms. Kristen is that she lived in Japan for 3 years and her favorite food was chicken curry.



Blue Room

Happy October! Our 1st month of school was great! The children quickly learned the classroom routines and are great listeners. We introduced the calendar and are working on a letter of the alphabet each week. So far we have focused on letters A, B, and C. We have talked about ourselves and our families, and apples.

This month we will review fire safety, Fall and Fall Changes, pumpkins, and fiction vs non-fiction stories. In October we are also practicing hand washing, our manners such as saying, “please,” “thank you,” and “excuse me,” and independent self-care skills, including bathroom usage. The children also enjoy counting, singing, art, and Fun Friday dance parties.

In October the Fire Fighters will be coming to visit us! Stay tuned for the date. At the end of the month we will celebrate fall with our annual Fall Fun Fest. Stay tuned for details.

Happy September & October Birthdays to Harry (9/2), Sloane (9/11), Joshua (10/4), Roxanna (10/9), Dash (10/14), Audrey (10/15), Amy (10/24), and Ms. Celina (10/24)!



Thank you for giving us the opportunity to teach your children. We are so excited to see how they grow this year!

Love,

Ms. Dominique, Ms. Celina, Ms. Angela, and Ms. Becky





Who Is In the Blue Room?

Ms. Dominique: Ms. Dominique is from Baltimore (more specifically Towson). She grew up in the Towson area and loved every moment of it. While this 2024-2025 school year will be her 4th year at the WEE Center, this will be her 10th year teaching. She has been with children for as long as she can remember. She started with babysitting and her love for children grew from there. She has worked in multiple school settings from being in a before and after care program for school aged children, a Pre-K teacher, and more recently, 3 year olds. She started her schooling at CCBC pursuing her AA degree in Early Childhood Education and that's when she knew her passion is teaching. When she is not teaching she loves to paint. She looks forward to her career at the WEE Center and hopes to learn from the children as they learn from her.

**Something you might not know about Ms. Dominique is that she has two dogs named Xena and Aspen and a cat named Chewbacca.

Ms. Celina: This is Ms. Celina's 3rd year assistant teaching and 2nd year at the WEE Center. She loves working with children and is so excited to be working part-time in the Blue Room again! Ms. Celina decided to change her career and become an assistant teacher after volunteering in her son's pre-kindergarten/forest classroom and homeschooling him for kindergarten. She received her Bachelor's Degree in Mass Communication and Master's Degree in Human Resource Development from Towson University and formerly worked in Human Resources for 10 years. Ms. Celina enjoys flowers, gardening, cooking, baking and any fun outdoor activity.

**Something you might not know about Ms. Celina is that her favorite holiday is Valentine's Day.

Ms. Angela: When not being the director for WEE Ms. Angela is excited to be back in the classroom this year! She taught in the Green Room for 7 years and is enjoying being in the Blue Room with the 3 year olds.

**Something you might not know about Ms. Angela is that she has 3 cats named Luna, Dusty, and Twilight that live in her house.

Ms. Becky:

Green Room

Hello Parents,

The Green Room friends did a terrific job during the month of September. We really enjoyed getting to know each other, making new friends, and for some of us, getting reacquainted with friends from last year. The children have become familiar with the daily routine, schedule, and classroom rules.

Social/Emotional Development: In Pre-K, it can be exciting to be more independent and have more responsibilities, but it also takes some getting used to and adjusting. Just within these first few weeks, the children have become independent with many skills. Parents are often pleasantly surprised by what their children can do independently. Here are a few examples: putting belongings in their cubbies, putting on and zipping their jackets, putting their fitted sheets on their cots, packing up their rest/nap belongings, putting on their shoes, and later in the year, tying their shoes.

Fostering and encouraging age-appropriate independence helps build confidence and self-esteem. Young children show excitement and pride as they master a new independent skill. We have seen this excitement recently as the children have learned to make up their cot or pack up their belongings all by themselves. One of the best gifts we can give our children is showing them that we believe they can do things independently and give them opportunities to try new skills. Will the children do these skills perfectly or the way we prefer them to be done? Probably not, but the important thing is that the children are learning how to be independent one step at a time, and we are preparing them for the real world.

We have also been giving the children many opportunities to write with a pencil and cut with scissors independently. We have found that using small, golf pencils are really helpful for pre-k writing. You may want to use golf pencils at home! In addition, practicing cutting at home (with a child's pair of scissors) would be a great idea. Children enjoy cutting up old magazines or old wrapping paper. Please feel free to ask us how a child should hold a pencil or scissors.



Green Room

Recently we have been introducing the children to the concept of “personal space” or a “personal bubble”. Respecting someone’s personal space can often help solve conflicts quickly. We have also been working on listening to the teacher and following directions right away. The Green Room friends are doing a great job listening so far!

During the month of October, we will be focusing on the following themes: Community Helpers and Fire Prevention, Farm Life, and the Season of Fall/Autumn.

In Pre-K, we do not go in alphabetical order when working on the letters. We follow a curriculum based on writing the letters. So, we start with the letters that are the easiest to write and gradually progress to more challenging letters. In October, we will focus on letters: Ii, Ff, Ee, and Hh. The children will learn the sounds and how to write the letters.

For Math, the children will be focusing on: patterns, putting items in the correct sequence or order, putting numbers in order, and counting 1 through 20.

More information is coming soon about a Harvest/Halloween Party!

Happy September & October Birthdays to: Ms. Betsy (9/16), Joseph (9/20), Ms. Carol on 10/6, Leeland on October 9th!

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns. The DOJO app is the best way to get in touch with the teachers.

We love teaching your children!

With God’s Blessings,

Ms. Betsy, Ms. Carol, and Ms. Dawn



Written By: Elizabeth (Betsy Walker)

Who Is In The Green Room

Betsy Walker: Ms. Betsy has been teaching in private or Christian schools for 30 years. She has taught preschool through eighth grade. Ms. Betsy loves teaching pre-k children because they are so joyful and eager to learn. When Ms. Betsy is not teaching, she enjoys spending time with her family (her husband, Ben and daughter Lydia, 19), reading, traveling, and swimming. Ms. Betsy is thrilled to be back for her 4th year at WEE! She says she loves teaching at WEE because the administration and teachers are so kind and fun!

**Something you may not know about Ms. Betsy is that she has traveled to most of the 50 states, except Hawaii and Alaska, but she hopes to visit those states too!

Carol Anstett: Ms. Carol received her BFA from the Rochester Institute of Technology. For several years she worked as a freelance photographer and also taught art classes for Abrakadoodle. Through Abrakadoodle she taught art at many local schools including St. Paul's, Calvert, JCC and Bridges Montessori. While teaching art she discovered that she loved teaching Pre-K the most and is very excited to now have the opportunity to teach in a Pre-K classroom full time. Carol has three children of her own, Nic, 30, Will, 27, and Lucy 20. She enjoys spending her free time hiking with her two Labradoodles, Maxx and Finn. We are so excited to have Ms. Carol here for her 4th year at WEE!!

**Something you may not know about Carol is that she has pet chickens!

Dawn Baker: This is Ms. Dawn's 25th year at the WEE Center! She retired in 2020 to spend time with her husband Howard (they have been married for 35 years) who retired a few years ago. She just could not leave the children so she has been teaching part-time since then. She has been teaching for over 38 years. Ms. Dawn has been an adjunct professor at CCBC for 11 years and a teacher trainer for over 16 years. Her favorite of all these jobs is teaching Science at WEE! Ms. Dawn is excited to be in the Green Room this year! She enjoys Pre-K and is loving working with Ms. Betsy and Ms. Carol!

**Something you might not know about Ms. Dawn is that she loves to try new kinds of art. She is learning how to draw and paint with acrylics. She also loves to draw "zentangles!"

Purple Room

Happy October Purple Room Families! September was a very busy month (which seemed to fly by), as we all got used to being together, becoming friends, and learning the routine. The children worked very hard, acclimated very well to becoming Pre-K 4 students, classmates, and friends.

We worked on letters Ll, Tt, and li, learning the sound each makes, the proper way to form it, coloring pictures that begin with that sound, hearing poems that exposed us to lots of words that begin that way, as well as giving tracing them ourselves a try. We focused on the numbers 0, 1, & 2, as well as making different AB patterns. The children learned to recognize their first names written on many different things in the classroom, did lots of creative/imaginative play during morning and center time, learned new finger plays, poems, prayers, and songs. We began to enjoy our specials each week (art, music, science, & bible) and especially enjoyed our new playgrounds! We learned a lot about being a kind friend, apples, and began learning about fall/autumn.

During October we will continue to focus on more letters. By emphasizing the beginning sounds of words, it helps your child make the connection, and can become a game! We are learning that letters make words, words make sentences, and sentences make stories & books. We spend a little time each day enjoying a book to ourselves as we transition from snack to our special. We are learning how to treat books respectfully, track from left to right, look for letter we might recognize, and become engaged on our own... even if we can't read the words quite yet.

Our letter this month are Ff, Ee, Hh, Vv, and hopefully Ww. We will enjoy studying fall/autumn, pumpkins, leaves, fire safety, and possibly community helpers. We will begin practicing tracing our first names with only a capital letter at the beginning and the rest lower case. When practicing at home, please encourage this (capital initial letter – rest lower case), and check for a pincher grip when they are using a crayon, marker, pencil, etc. It takes practice for this to become comfortable and able to apply an adequate amount of pressure. Tip: the shorter the pencil (think a golf pencil), the better it is to maintain the pincher grip. Thank you for entrusting us each day with your child. They are

such a precious gift who make us laugh each day and continually bring smiles to our faces... as well as keep us on our toes.

Love, Ms. Stacie & Mr. Nate



Who is with your kiddos in the Purple Room?

Stacie Handley:

This is Ms. Stacie's 3rd year at WEE Center, but has been in early childhood classrooms for 23 years! Ms. Stacie graduated from UMBC (University of MD, Balto. Co.) with a BA in Psychology and Early Childhood Education. She has spent her whole teaching career with children aged 3-6, and was in the Archdiocesan schools for 19 years. She will be married 22 years in January, to her husband, Kurt. They have 2 daughters, Emma (a junior at Loyola University... and who also works at WEE when she can arrange it) and Anna (a freshman at UMD). They also have an adorable rescue Pittie named Wynnie, who is approximately 9 ½ years old. She is adored and spoiled (especially as new empty nesters)! Ms. Stacie is very excited to continue teaching at WEE Center, and can't wait to spend this school year with your children. Ms. Stacie enjoys dining out, an occasional tap dance class, reading, Netflix, napping, chocolate, and all MD teams... but most especially, the ORIOLES! She loves the beach, (hopes to retire there one day), dogs, and warm/hot weather.

**Something you might not know about Ms. Stacie is that she is not a fan of cold, winter, or snow, and despises spiders and heights (but will enjoy a good roller coaster while screaming like crazy)!

Nate Moultrie:

Mr. Nate is 38 years old and this is his 4th year at WEE Center. After having worked in child care for many years at the Rogers Forge Early Learning Center, the YMCA, and Little Friends, WEE was lucky to acquire him. He truly loves working with children. When Mr. Nate is not at school (which is a lot, as he does aftercare each afternoon as well), he is a DJ, who is up and coming! He has 4 brothers, thinks cats are weird, loves his mom, and is a good dancer. WEE is very blessed to have him, and all his happiness, fun, and energy he brings each day!

**Something you might not know about Mr. Nate is that his favorite song is "I'm a Survivor" by Destiny's Child.

Art with Ms. Carol

In Art we started off the year exploring colors. The Three's and Pre-K learned about the color wheel and mixing primary colors to create secondary colors. In October we will continue to explore color mixing by mixing colored clay to create new colors while making our 3D sculptures. Students will also be mixing paint colors while learning about tinting and shading. In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month Pre-K will be studying Hispanic artists Frida Kahlo, Diego Rivera, and Jose Posada.

Science with Ms. Dawn

September in science brought some bright smiles and some curious questions! We are working towards doing our own experiments, even our 2's will be joining in the fun. Right now, we are working on thinking like a scientist.

- This includes questioning things, looking at what happened and describing it.
- In our Pre-K they will have started their science journal. This is where they document what we did through drawing. This is one of the places we talk
- about thinking like a scientist. I ask them-did I have a dinosaur in the room... no. Did we have a garden in the room...no. But let's talk about what we did see while in science. They are amazing! Our 3's are using verbal documentation and learning science vocabulary.

I strive to help the all the children know: It is fun to explore, observe and guess! It is amazing to see change and wonder what made it happen. It is fun to sometimes almost know why it happened. And it is a wonderful thing to have fun learning!!

It is ok to make a mess, but we all have to help clean them up.... with a good attitude. It is ok for something not to work, and we can learn lots from these events. I can work with a partner and we can do it well. We can have conversations that help us as we explore and observe and guess (3's and 4's). I can document in my journal what we did, what we used and what I saw (4's). I can document what we did by describing it.

We are going to be studying liquids, gas and solids in October and then we will have some fun with magnets.

Play together lots, laugh together, and hug!

Music with Ms. Claire

The children are having so much fun learning songs about September and the beginning of Fall/ Autumn. We had fun singing with numbers, the alphabet, and movement. We used scarves to dance, flags to march to Patriotic songs and seasonal props to enrich the songs of Fall. In October, we will continue songs of Fall as well as Halloween. Each month we will focus on a specific patriotic song and celebrating any holiday. Why do we teach Music? There are so many skills that are taught during this time: listening, following directions, and learning vocabulary (language); learning rhythm (sensory); improve coordination (physical); and increase memory (intellectual). Plus--IT'S FUN!

- This is Ms. Claire's 42nd year teaching and her 35th year at the
- WEE Center. She has taught children from infancy to First Grade.
- Ms. Claire is an avid quilter and scrap booker. She also loves the process of taking photos for scrapbooks. Ms. Claire has 3 children, with one son and daughter-in-law living close by in Anne Arundel County. Her favorite places to visit are Louisiana where her other son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter live, and Arizona, where her daughter, son-in-law, granddaughter, and grandson live. She comes from a large family and she is one of 6 children. She says that "she enjoys doing art and music and sharing God's love with the children. This is part of making complete experiences for the children". In one word, Ms. Claire would describe herself as creative.

**Something you might not know about Ms. Claire is that she starting cooking dinner, Monday– Friday when she was 9 years old. She also loves snow almost as much as the color purple!

Who is in the Office?

Angela Peterson: This is Ms. Angela's 11th year at the WEE Center, her fourth year directing at WEE and her 19th year working in early childhood. Her daughter is a WEE school graduate and is now a sophomore in high school. Ms. Angela also has a 20-year-old son who is attending college locally. She has a BA in Child Psychology. She was born in North Carolina and lived most of her life in Richmond, Virginia. Ms. Angela enjoys spending time with her family and friends and is looking forward to fire pit season. She also loves cats and is sometimes called a crazy cat lady. She describes herself as "caring". She said "I love the family feeling we provide our children and families here at WEE Center."

**Something you might not know about Angela, she went to an all-women's college and met her husband at a ballroom dancing class.

Elise DeFilippis: This is Ms. Elise's 12th year working at the WEE Center, but she has been at WEE as a parent since 2008. She taught in the Blue Room for two years, in the Green room for 5 years, and has been in the office since 2019. Both of her children are WEE Graduates and are now a sophomore in High School and freshman in college. She obtained her Bachelor's Degree in Social Work and her Masters of Science Degree in Human Service Management in Special Education from Western Maryland College in 1994 and 1997 respectively. She has taught children from 3-9 years old, was a social worker in a special education setting, a Service Coordinator for adults with developmental disabilities, a behavior interventionist at Kennedy Krieger/The LEAP School, and was a Service Coordinator for children receiving Autism Waiver Services in Maryland. Last year she also began serving on the Board of Directors for TARGET Community & Educational Services in Westminster, MD. Ms. Elise loves to travel, watch movies and read. Her favorite place to vacation is Bethany Beach. She loves to laugh and easily cracks herself up...you can hear her happy laugh all over the building. Elise says that the WEE Center "feels like home". She describes herself with one word "laughter".

**Something you might not know about Elise is that she volunteered in a Romanian orphanage in 1999 and 2000 and she went skydiving in 1997!



Our WEE Break Teacher

Michelle Kaufman– This is Ms. Michelle’s 3rd school year at the WEE Center. She is a Baltimore native and has been teaching for 16 years. She and her husband have a daughter and a son. Her hobbies include dog walking, listening to music, and walking with her friends. She likes all preschool age children and is excited to be able to work with every age as our break teacher!

**Something you may not know about Michelle is that her favorite dessert is Lemon Meringue Pie.



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festival
October 28th
6-8 pm

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Trunk or Treat
Festive Snacks
Kids Crafts
Outside Movies

Dates to Remember

WEE Closed/Staff Professional Day: Friday, October 20th

Fall Class Parties and Activities: End of October
(Stay tuned for details)

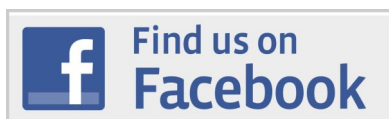
Upcoming Dates in November

WEE Closed-Parent/Teacher Conferences: Thursday, November 2nd

Thankful Event: Tuesday, November 21st (stay tuned for specifics)

WEE Closed for Thanksgiving Break: Wed/Thu/Fri, November 22nd-24th

PICTURE DAYS:
Thursday, 11/9 and
Friday, 11/10



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