

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### **What are Toddler Time and Summer Fun?**

Toddler Time is a 2-hour drop-off enrichment program during the school year, following the Darien Public School Schedule for two-year-olds. Summer Fun is the summer version of Toddler Time, with an emphasis on outside activities. Your children may be enrolled in both programs for up to 3 days a week.

### **What's the Philosophy?**

The program is designed on a play-based model to help children develop social skills, imagination, and greater self-reliance. We work with children at their own pace in a nurturing, caring environment. Our goal is to provide a classroom atmosphere of warmth and respect utilizing positive feedback and guidelines.

### **Who is Eligible to Participate?**

Children should be age two, by December 2020 to be eligible for Toddler Time. For Summer Fun, children must be two by the start of the program. Children who have turned 3 but have not yet started a 3s program are also eligible for Summer Fun.

### **What is the Teacher/Student Ratio?**

The ratio is 1:4, with each class having a maximum of 8 students.

### **What is the Program Calendar?**

Toddler Time 2020-2021 runs from Sept. 08, 2020 through May 28, 2021. We follow the Darien public school calendar for holidays, vacations and inclement weather closings. Summer Fun runs from June 1 through September 4, 2020.

### **What is a Typical Day?**

The day begins with drop-off at 9:15am and a typical day includes free-play, stories, music, movement, an art project and a nut-free snack (which we provide). The children will also play outside each day (weather-permitting) with the program ending at 11:15am.

### **Does my Child have to be Potty Trained?**

Children do not need to be potty-trained to be enrolled in the program. Our teachers change diapers as needed. If/when your child begins potty-training we fully support those efforts.

### **What Forms Are Required?**

We require a signed Tuition Agreement & Registration Form, an Emergency Contact and Medical Information form, and a Photo Release prior to the start of the program.

### **When Does Registration Open?**

It is currently open!