



January  
2026

**Sligo Creek**

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**FRIENDLY REMINDERS:**

Safety and accountability matter at KidsCo. If your child is participating in after school clubs, please send an email to your director and remind your child to check in at KidsCo before going to their after school club.

Also, if you need to schedule a drop in, please be sure to call our main office prior to your child attending.

**Community Resources:**

**Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services**

1301 Picard Dr, Rockville, MD 20850 | (240) 777-0311

**The Family Services**

620 E Diamond Ave, Gaithersburg, MD 20877 | (301) 840-3200

**24-Hour Crisis Center**

240-777-4000 | TTY: (301) 251-4850

**Department of General Services – Montgomery County**

101 Monroe St, Rockville, MD 20850 (240) 777-6191

**State of Maryland Child Care Scholarship Program (SCCSP)**

1-877-227-0125

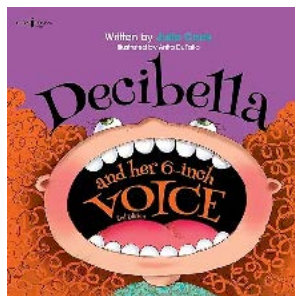


**Dear KidsCo Families,**

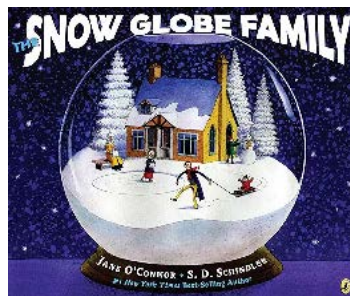
We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and a Happy New Year! KidsCo is thrilled to kick off this year with some exciting new clubs. Please note that we will be closed on January 19th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. However, we're looking forward to a fun-filled ALL-DAY program on January 26th when MCPS is closed for a Professional Day. As the temperatures drop, we'd like to remind everyone to review

our Emergency/Snow Closing Policies. KidsCo will operate from 6:30 AM to 6:30 PM on snow days as long as MCPS Central Administrative Offices remain open. Before bringing your child to the center on snow days, please confirm our status by calling, checking our website, or visiting our social media pages. If necessary, we may delay opening to ensure the parking areas and sidewalks are cleared of snow and ice. If the MCPS Central Administrative Offices are closed, KidsCo will also be closed, as we will not have access to the building. Our Main Office voicemail will provide snow closing updates, and we will send a mass email to families with valid email addresses. Additionally, we recommend tuning in to local news for updates on snow closures. Thank you, and let's make this year amazing!

**BOOKS OF THE MONTH**



**Audience:** K-1  
**Title:** Decibella and Her 6-inch Voice  
**Author:** Julia Cook



**Audience:** 2-3  
**Title:** The Snow Globe Family  
**Author:** Jane O'Connor



**Audience:** 4-5  
**Title:** The Secrets of Winterhouse  
**Author:** Ben Guterson

# CLUBS:

## MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, & FRIDAYS

<p><b>Basketball- Quentin &amp; Micha (All Grades)</b> On to the next sport. Basketball will teach the fundamentals and sportsmanship.</p>	<p><b>Dance- Bianca &amp; Giselle (All Grades)</b> Dance is moving along great. Music will be sent to dance families this month so your kids can practice at home.</p>	<p><b>Jeopardy- Mek, Dibora (K-2nd)</b> Using technology, the kids will participate in fun jeopardy challenges great for their age.</p>
<p><b>Cartoon Club- Rebekah &amp; Jareth (K-2nd)</b> This club will teach cartoon drawing styles and crafts of the kids' favorite cartoons.</p>	<p><b>Book Club- Sel &amp; Genesis (3rd &amp; Up)</b> A comfy club for our avid readers. We have lots of new books for them to dive into.</p>	<p><b>Junior Detectives- Aaron &amp; Andrew (3rd &amp; Up)</b> This fun mystery club will keep the kids and the staff on their toes.</p>

## TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

<p><b>Let's Get Fit- Giselle &amp; Micha (K-2nd)</b> A great start to the New Year, the kids will practice fun exercises and learn ways to get fit!</p>	<p><b>Animal Lovers- Makayla &amp; Rebekah (K-2nd)</b> A fun club of crafts and different ways to express our love for animals.</p>	<p><b>Photography- Andrew &amp; Jackie (3rd and Up)</b> We will try this club again. The kids will learn how to use digital cameras to take different types of photographs.</p>
<p><b>Board Games- Imani &amp; Amy (3rd &amp; Up)</b> We have a lot of new games and we wanted to create a club where we can enjoy them in a structured setting.</p>	<p><b>Minute to Win it- Aaron &amp; Genesis (3rd and Up)</b> A club with fast-paced, fun challenges that build teamwork, problem-solving, and positive sportsmanship.</p>	<p><b>Gym Games- Dibora &amp; Aaliyah (K-2nd)</b> A fun club to get active with team-based games that promote physical fitness, cooperation, and sportsmanship.</p>

## AM THEMES:

<b>MONDAY Music Monday</b>	<b>TUESDAY Teamwork Tuesday</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY Wow Wednesday</b>	<b>THURSDAY Talent Thursday</b>	<b>FRIDAY Freestyle Friday</b>
What better way to start our week than with activities that involve music?!	Cooperative games or partner activities to boost friendships and teamwork!	Students will share or make something amazing that will wow us!	Students will share a special skill or hobby or join a game of karaoke or improv theater.	This is where we'll show off our talents!

### Announcements

Welcome back Jareth! Our staff Jareth is back with us from last year. The KidsCo staff would like to thank all of the families who contributed to the generous holiday gift!  
Our book drive was a success! Thank you for all your donations and book fair purchases!

### PARENT GAME OR ACTIVITY

Check out the parent table and screen flex for our parent game this month. The person with the most correct answers to the riddles win a gift card!

# KIDSCO SNACK & ACTIVITY CALENDAR

\*All snacks are served with fruit/vegetables and water/milk.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURDAY	FRIDAY
				<sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup> Popcorn and Fruit
			KidsCo Closed	Winter Break: No School - KidsCo Open (modified hours: 8am-5:30pm) **limited locations
5 Cereal and Milk	6 Banana Bread and Juice	7 Yogurt and Graham Crackers	8 Cheez It and Juice	9 Emoji Cookies and Fruit
				Fun Friday Theme: Pie Friday!
12 Hummus and Carrots	13 Yogurt and Granola	14 Cheese Stick and Graham Crackers	15 Cereal and Milk	16 Banana Bread and Juice
Home Game vs PC 4:15pm				Fun Friday Theme: Carnival Day
	<sup>19</sup> 20 Yogurt and Graham Crackers	21 Cheez It and Juice	22 Emoji Cookies and Fruit	23 Hummus and Carrots
MLK Jr. Day: No School - KidsCo CLOSED		Away Game vs BG 4:45pm		Fun Friday Theme: Pie Friday!
26 Potato Chips and Juice	27 Cheese Stick and Graham Crackers	28 Cereal and Milk	29 Banana Bread and Juice	30 Yogurt and Graham Crackers
Professional Day: No School - KidsCo OPEN ALL DAY		Away Game vs PC 4:15pm		Fun Friday Theme: World Culture Day