

## Upcoming events: January A note from the teacher: 1/9 Baby bottle \$ drive begins 1/16 2024-2025 registration begins Getting back in the swing of things is rough, but there's something special about having a fresh start 1/19 Substitute teacher for MDO at the New Year! This month, we'll start a new Bible series, Growing up for God. We had a lot of fun with the last lessons, 1/26 Rodeo Day playing games, making crafts, and learning songs, and I know this new unit will be fun, too! Scissor Skills Mrs. Leah Martin Learning how to use scissors can be

This month:	
1/5	No School
1/12	Snow; make snowflakes; make fake snow;
1/19	Winter animals; Book: The Mitten; mitten science
1/26	Rodeo day; Book; Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa
COMING UP	Write a love letter to your child in February

Learning how to use scissors can be trickier than it seems. Last month, Mrs. Fallt had a cutting station in the sensory bin, with wrapping paper and child-safe scissors. Since this is a new skill, I noticed that many of our friends like to hold scissors upside-

down, meaning with their pinky towards the ceiling. Instead, their thumb should point up to the ceiling. To help them remember, you could put a little star or smiley face sticker on their thumb, and tell him or her that they have to see the sticker while they cut!