



# What's Buzzing at Busy Bee

September 2019



"Children are a gift from the Lord; they are a reward from him."  
Psalm 127:3

## What Happened Last Month

## What's Happening This Month

### Current Fundraisers

- Silent Auction
- Box Tops
- Use your King Sooper's card after you've enrolled in the community rewards program.



When you arrive at school, please remember to stop by the restroom so your child can use the bathroom **and** wash their hands. If they already used the restroom at home, we would still like them to wash their hands prior to going into the classroom.

This is such a help to us, especially with the youngest children who sometimes make it into class, but then within minutes are engaged in play and forget all about using the bathroom ... causing accidents.

Hand washing is an important skill to teach and a good way to help keep all of our children and staff healthy.

When you arrive at the classroom please don't forget to **sign your child in**, and then remember to **sign out** when you pick your child up.

Thank you for choosing Bethany Busy Bee Pre-school for your child! We hope you've had a wonderful summer, and are refreshed and excited to be starting school.

The teachers have had such fun visiting with you and your children over the last few weeks. Thank you for welcoming them into your homes! This little visit sets the stage as they discern how best to serve your child and to establish their plans for the fall. As measured by TS Gold, this past year all of our children met, but **71% to 92%** of our students **exceeded** widely held expectations for growth in social-emotional skills, language, cognitive and physical development, literacy and math.

We are also very grateful to start the year with a brand new playground and we are still waiting for some outdoor instruments to be installed, all thanks to the ECHO grant. Mr. Hasbrouck installed new automatic hands free water faucets in the bathrooms which offers a healthier way to wash our hands. And we are so grateful to be able to have our new kindergarten classroom!

In efforts to promote healthy habits, Bethany Busy Bee will be holding a Highline Canal Family Walk-a-thon on Monday, September 30th and Thursday, October 30th from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. MDO may join either day. All families, grandparents, and friends are welcome to participate. There is no need to collect donations in order to join the walk-a-thon fun but we certainly do appreciate it if you do. Bring your water bottle, your stroller, and your walking shoes and lets walk together starting from Busy Bee and ending at the "Milliken Park". Children will be encouraged to search for items with different colors, counting how many red, yellow, blue, etc. items they see. We will also be in the look-out for nature such as birds, squirrels, etc. counting how many they see. We will have snack at the park, children can play and families can fellowship. We hope that with this family event we are able to inspire family walks, not only can it be educational, and fun but healthy too! More information will be sent home.

- 9/2 **NO SCHOOL, Labor Day**
- 9/9 **Lunch Bunch begins this week** (Mon. thru Fri.). 12 to 1:30, bring a lunch.
- 9/11 & 12 **Pizza with the Pastors at 12p.** Come meet the Bethany staff and our Pastors and have some pizza Busy Bee style in the foyer.
- 9/17 & 18 **Science: Smokes a'rising!**
- 9/19 **"Praying for Your Children" with Lisa Freyschlag** 12 - 1:30 pm FREE childcare and hors d'oeuvres. Please RSVP by 9/12 via Evite and bring lunch for the kids staying in Lunch Bunch or childcare.
- 9/23 & 24 **Fire Safety Talk** with the Fire Department at Busy Bee, 10:00am MDO can join either day.
- 9/30 & 10/1 Walkathon on Highline Canal. MDO can join either day. Volunteers are needed. Please use Sign Up Genius from the website.



### LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch begins the week of September 9<sup>th</sup>! Your child can drop in

with their lunch any day of the week, from 12 to 1:30, for \$10 per session. They are welcome to come, even if it is not their day to attend school.

This month Lunch Bunch will include opportunities to make applesauce, read *Chicka, Chicka, Boom, Boom*, do shaving cream art, play musical chairs, Duck, Duck Goose, etc.

As a welcome gift, we have given each child a free lunch bunch certificate to be used any day before the Christmas Break.

This makes a great gift from grandparents for both the kids and parents.

### UPCOMING FREE EVENTS

- DENVER ART MUSEUM: Sept 7th 720.865.5000
- DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURE & SCIENCE Sept 29th 303.322.7009
- Denver Botanic Garden: Sept 3rd 720.865.3501

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### Mission

Bethany Busy Bee partners with parents and the church to offer families a quality, pre-school education in a loving, Christian environment.

Deut. 6:6-7

**Preschool Key :** Please use your key to come into the preschool and remember not to open the door for anyone who you are not familiar with, even if you *feel it may be a* Busy Bee parent. Allow the staff to open the door for anyone who does not have a key card with them. This keeps everyone safe!

### Visit from the Fire Truck and Police Car

This year we were only able to have one day visit from the Fire Truck (if not out on fire calls). It will be on Wednesday, October 2nd at 10:00 am. Therefore, we added the Police Car will visit on Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00am. Families are welcome to join in either day if it is not your regular school day.

Providing a Balanced Early Childhood Education in a Christian Environment

# Welcome Back

We want to thank you again for your efforts to make our first weeks of this school year successful. We appreciate the donations of school supplies. We are also grateful for those who have signed up to volunteer for one of the many opportunities we have listed on our website under the "parent partnerships" tab, volunteer opportunities.

We are especially grateful, too, for those who have submitted the last tuition payment for May, 2019 tuition and all of the paperwork: a current physical, new emergency card, updated immunization record, and 2018-19 information & permission sheet. If you have not done so already, in the next week, please plan to turn these in along with your September tuition; activity fee; and, the confirmation slip that affirms you received the parent handbook. If you have any questions or need additional forms, please stop by the office.

We will need any requests for **tuition assistance** by Monday, September 17th.

We are considering starting an **AWANA** program this fall for preschool thru elementary.

### Fundraiser Details

Thank you in advance for your support of this year's fundraising efforts. Please be thinking of ways you can participate in our fundraising opportunities as this allows us to keep the tuition as low as possible, provide additional tuition discounts, and add to our program and outdoor learning environment.

**Box Tops**— Please bring your box tops from cereal boxes, granola bars and anything else you already use. It does make a difference.

**Butter Braids**— We sell Butter Braids twice each school year. We have them available before Christmas break and for Easter.

**Flapjack fundraiser at Applebees**— Come join us at Applebee's, Saturday, November 2nd from 8:00 to 9:30 am to enjoy some pancakes with your friends and families. A percentage of the proceeds go towards Busy Bee.

In addition, please remember to enroll in the King Sooper's Community Rewards Program by adding "Bethany Evangelical Free Church" as your **King Soopers card** that was included in your orientation packet with \$2.50 pre-loaded. Busy Bee gets 5% of every amount re-loaded on the card. They are great for those that shop, get their prescriptions or **buy gas** regularly at King Soopers. Just do your shopping; give the checker your card **before they scan any items**; ask them to load your gift card using a check, cash or credit card; then, pay for your groceries using your King Soopers Gift Card. The cards are pretty easy to use and it is amazing how the \$\$ add up. Just remember to keep an amount on it at all times, otherwise it will expire if it has no balance for over 90 days.

We try to provide various opportunities for parent involvement without making it overwhelming. If you have any other ideas, we welcome them.

### What's Coming Up

- 10/1 –10/4 Home Business Fair
- 10/3 & 4 Fire Trucks Visit @10 am
- 10/5 NO SCHOOL, Teacher In-service
- 10/10 & 11 Field Trip to the Littleton Historical Museum 9:30-11:30am. Parents must accompany their child.
- 10/16 & 17 Donuts with Dad (10/12 MDO)
- 10/16 & 17 Science "Digging" Archeology
- 10/18 & 19 No School -Parent Teacher Conf.
- 10/24 & 25 School Pictures, MDO either day
- 10/26 "Flip It: Addressing Challenging Behavior"
- 10/26 Parent's Nite Out 4:30-8pm
- 10/29 - 11/2 Collect items for Operation Christmas Child boxes. See sign up genius.
- 10/30 & 31 Fall Festival
- 10/31 Trunk and Treat @Bethany 5-7p

We welcome your input and covet your involvement in our programs. Please drop any suggestions, comments or prayer requests in our box located in the preschool office. Thank you for trusting us with your children. We are praying for all of you. Love, **Busy Bee**

