



"Encourage one another and build each other up."
1 Thessalonians 5:11

We have the following openings:

- No spots currently open

Current Fundraisers

- Silent Auction
- Use your King Sooper's card after you've enrolled in the community rewards program. Sign up under Bethany E. Free
- Walk-a-thon



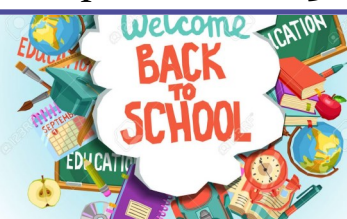
Please take a minute to look at Jack's Corner, a part of our website featuring articles especially for parents.

You'll want to read the following articles:

- Dropping Kids Off At School
- Kids Learn By Making Choices
- Getting Kids Dressed In The Morning

What's Buzzing at Busy Bee

September 2023



What Happened over the Summer

Thank you for choosing Bethany Busy Bee 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 backyards and homes! This little visit sets the stage as they discern how best to serve your child and to establish plans for the fall.

You will receive an invitation to sign up to bring snacks for your students whole class. On the sign up, we will let you know if there are any allergies so you can select an appropriate snack for everyone. Please know that you are still welcome to bring special treats for birthday's and other special days. You may also go to our Website www.BethanyBusyBee.org, hover over Newsletters, and select your child's teacher. You will see Snack Sign Up links to sign up and volunteer link to sign up.

We have a behavioral consultant, Jack Lipski, who will be working with our teachers and families through the year. Let us know if you have concerns and we will take time to meet with you and your child.

Walk-a-thon



In efforts to promote healthy habits, Bethany Busy Bee will be holding a **Highline Canal Family Walk-a-thon** on Wednesday, September 27th and Thursday, September 28th from 9:00 am to 11:15 am. Kindergarten is 12:15-1:15 pm on Thursday, September 28th. 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 would appreciate it, if you do. Bring your water bottle, and your walking shoes and we'll walk together from Busy Bee to Milliken Park. Children will get a pedometer to count their steps and be encouraged to count trees and search for signs of fall and items of different colors. We'll be on the lookout for nature such as insects, birds, squirrels, etc. We will have snack at the park, and children will be able to play. 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 to come.

What's Happening This Month

- 9/4 **NO SCHOOL, Labor Day**
- 9/5 & 6—**Orientation Days 8:45-10:45 am**
- 9/11 **Lunch Bunch begins this week** (Mon. thru Fri.). 11:45 to 1:45, please **send a lunch**.
- 9/13 & 14 **Pizza with the Pastors from 11:45-1 pm**. Come meet the Bethany staff and Pastors and have some pizza Busy Bee style on the playground or under the shelter.
- 9/18 & 19 **Community Heroes - Fire Safety Talk** with the Fire Department at 10:00 am.
- 9/20 **"Family Routines & Structure" with James Nee, 12 - 1:30 pm**. FREE childcare and light lunch. Please RSVP by 9/18 via Evite and bring lunch for your kids.
- 9/20 & 21 **Science: Smokes a'rising!**
- 9/25-29 **Business Table Fair! RSVP**
- 9/27 & 28 **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 11th! Your child can

drop in with their lunch any day of the week, from 11:45 to 1:45, for \$20 per session. Children 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. We will also have art, drumming, and dance.

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

UPCOMING FREE EVENTS

- DENVER ART MUSEUM: Sept 9th & 12th 720.865.5000
- DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURE & SCIENCE Sept 6th & 18th 303.322.7009
- DINOSAUR RIDGE: Sept. 17th 303.697.3466

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Mission

Bethany Busy Bee partners with parents and the church to offer families a quality, preschool 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 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

It will be on Monday, September 18th & Tuesday 19th at 10:00 am. Families from other days are welcome to join.

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 are 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 May, 2024 tuition payment and all of the paperwork: a current physical, new emergency card, immunization record, and 2023-24 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; 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** from the Buell Foundation completed and submitted by Friday, September 15th.

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 as this allows us to keep the tuition as low as possible, pay all of our staff, and add to our program and outdoor learning environment.

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

Silent Auction — We are asking each family to make a donation to our Silent Auction. Can you bake a pie or a dozen cookies? Do you have a friend who cuts hair? Will your favorite restaurant give you a gift certificate? Please help us collect items.

Walk-A-Thon — Ask your family to join us for a walk along the Highline Canal. The kids will have a pedometer to keep track of their steps. Maybe grandma or "auntie" want to participate in our walk-a-thon by contributing a penny for each step.

King Sooper's Community Rewards Program — Please add "Bethany Evangelical Free Church" as your designated partner. Busy Bee gets 5% of every dollar you spend, if you connect your King Sooper's card with Bethany.



Awana is a scripture based Bible Club with fun games and

special activities. We serve children from age 2 through middle school. Awana begins Wednesday, September 13th at 6:00 pm with an orientation and a family pizza party. We meet Wednesdays through May 1, 2024. Registration is \$50 per child with a Family maximum of \$150. There are only 75 spots available, so please register soon. The registration form and Awana Calendar are included in your orientation packet. You may also pick one up in the office or print one from the website under parent partnerships, Kids Ministry, Awana tab.

What's Coming Up

- 10/2 & 3 Police Car Visit
- 10/4 - L&L "Parent Panel: Connection In The Preschool Years And Beyond" with Marsha Olsen & Rebecca Borger, 12-1:30 pm.
- 10/6 **NO SCHOOL**, Teacher In-Service
- 10/11-13 Donuts with Dad
- 10/11 & 12 - "Digging" Archeology
- 10/12 - **LIFT "Handling Anxiety & Attachment Issues w/Your Child"** with Jack Lipski, 12-1:30 pm.
- 10/16 - 11/7 Collect items for Operation Christmas Child boxes. See sign up genius.
- 10/17 & 18 **Field Trip to the Littleton Historical Museum** 9:30-12 pm. Parents/guardians must accompany their child.
- 10/19 & 20 **No School** - Parent Teacher Conferences through the day.
- 10/25 & 26 Fall Festival, 10:00-11:30 am. Volunteers are needed. Please use Sign Up Genius from the website.
- 10/31 Trunk and Treat @ Bethany 5-7 pm. Volunteers are needed. Please RSVP on website.



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 school office. Thank you for trusting us with your children. We are praying for all of you. Love, **Bethany Busy Bee staff !**