



"I have hidden your word in my heart." Psalm 119:11

## GRADUATION & End of the Year Program

Our Spring and Graduation Program is the last school program of the year and the last day of school for your student. All children will be performing and a special part of the program. Those moving on to Kindergarten and First Grade will walk in their Cap n Gowns and receive a Certificate and their own Bible.

All the children should come to their classrooms at 8:45 am. Parents are welcome to sit in the sanctuary until the program begins at 9:15 am. Children may be picked up in the foyer right after the program. Every child must have a parent/guardian present at the program. This is not a regular school day.

After the program, families are welcome to bring a dish to share with others, and their own lawn chairs or blankets to the shelter area to enjoy a picnic together. Busy Bee will provide plates, napkins, silverware and water!

Kona ice will be there on Tuesday & Wednesday thru 12:15p. All students will receive a free snow-cone! Other purchases will be available. Sorry these were the only dates available for the week.

# What's Buzzing at Busy Bee



May 2024



## What Happened Last Month

How quickly this year has flown by! We had a great turn out for the Easter celebrations and Art Show Gala! We hope you thoroughly enjoyed both special events. The winner of our hidden bee contest was Abram Martin. He received a \$10 gift card to Chic-Fil-A.

Please know you are very appreciated on Parent Appreciation Day and every day, We truly do appreciate you—for your investment in our program, supporting the teachers, your encouraging words, and financial gifts and payments. Thank you for choosing Busy Bee from the many good choices available.

Our Lunch and Learn, with Whitney Dittmar on "Body Safety" was both challenging and inspiring. Allison Jones was sponsored by Mackintosh Academy for an excellent presentation on Nutrition last week. She works with heart patients at Boone.

Do you know of someone that would be a great addition to Busy Bee? We are recruiting staff (8:15am to 2:15pm or 8:15am to 12:15pm or 11:30 to 2:30 with flexible days) through word of mouth for next year!

Thank you for participating in the Swap-n-Shop. This is a great blessing to many of our families.

## What's Happening This Month

- 5/6-10 Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
- 5/8 Lunch & Learn "The Power Of Story" with Jack Lipski 12-1:30 pm
- 5/3 Take home book bags are due, even if they are incomplete.
- 5/17 Last Day of Lunch Bunch
- 5/22 - 24 Spring Graduation Programs at 9:15 am. The programs will be followed by a pot luck gathering at the pavilion. Busy Bee will supply plates, napkins, silverware, cups and water.

### UPCOMING FREE EVENTS

- LEGO CLUB, MAY 4, 3 TO 4 PM, BEMIS LIBRARY, ALL AGES WELCOME
- COLORADO RAILROAD MUSEUM: MAY 9, 9-5P
- ART MUSEUM: MAY 14
- CHILDREN'S MUSEUM: MAY 17 FROM 4-8PM
- DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURE & SCIENCE: MAY 23- SPACE DAY
- CLYFFORD STILL MUSEUM: July 28

[HTTPS://WWW.UNCOVERCOLORADO.COM/FREE-ADMISSION-DAYS-IN-COLORADO/](https://www.uncovercolorado.com/free-admission-days-in-colorado/)

## End of the Year Program and Graduation Schedule

This will be the last day of school.

### Wednesday, May 22nd –

- 9:15 am Mrs. Fallt's MW (right side of the sanctuary) and Mrs. McGowan's MWF (left side of the sanctuary) Mrs. Mack's MWF (right side of the sanctuary) and Mrs. Hammer's MWF class (left side of the sanctuary)

### Thursday, May 23rd –

- 9:15 am Mrs. Fallt's TTH (right side of the sanctuary) and Mrs. McGowan's TTH (left side of the sanctuary) Mrs. Mack's TTH (right side of the sanctuary) and Mrs. Thompson's TTH (left side of the sanctuary)

### Friday, May 24th –

- 9:15 am Mrs. Pyne's Kindergarten Class

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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

## FUNDRAISING DETAILS:

**Thank you for all your help with fundraising!** We are thankful that donors provide an additional 6% of our budget. The Walk-a-thon brought in \$2,197. The Silent Auction brought in \$5,553. The Trike-a-thon brought in \$1,126. The Butterbraid sales brought in \$718. **Thank you for your support and participation!**

## Summer Reading Program

The Bethany Busy Bee Lending Library will be open every Wednesday from 1-3pm starting June 15 through August 7, 2024. Earn Prizes by completing:

- Reading Bingo
- Reading 1,000 Minutes
- Reading Scavenger Hunt

The summer reading packets will be placed in cubbies and accessible on the website.

**Turn in your completed forms by August 7, 2024 to collect your prizes.**

Providing a Balanced Early Childhood Education in a Christian Environment

# Closing Comments

**Parent Feedback:** If you haven't already done so, please return your completed end of the year school evaluation form to the check in center or by email. This information is a great help to us as we plan for the future. Also, please remember that your continuous feedback is always welcome and desired as our mission is to partner with parents, and offer excellence for your children and family. In response to last year's survey, we changed drop off hours to 8:45am per survey request to drop off before 9am. We opened up the PNO special presentation to all families with a small fee to participate if the PNO is full. We will put this in practice going forward. Please know that the Busy Bee calendar will have most sign ups ready by August, this way you can sign up prior to the PNO date.

**Return Preschool Key :** Please return your key cards, preferably by graduation day or before. This ensures we will have a key card available for each parent for next school year. It costs Busy Bee \$7 to replace each of them. Even if you will be returning next year, we void all the cards on the last day of school and will need the key card returned to reset it for next school year.

**Summer Camps:** If you are signed up for VBS or our Summer Programs, we'd like to have payment before graduation to help us plan for the appropriate staff. VBS elementary has openings, all others are full. You may be placed in waitlist because there are changes that occur.

**2024 Fall Silent Auction:** We start working on the silent auction over the summer. We will meet during the summer camps. **Please take some donation request forms with you as you go out and about with your family this summer. Or help email donation requests.**

**2024-2025 School Year:** We praise and thank God that the school is **nearly** full for the 2024-2025 school year! However, please continue to tell your friends about Busy Bee so we can fill the **openings that remain in our MW 2 ½ class, 2½ - 5 MDO class, and Friday Toddler class for the fall.**

If your child is coming back in September, please remember to return all of your paperwork (physical, immunizations, information & emergency form) along with your **May 2025 pre-paid tuition** before August 1<sup>st</sup>. Please look for emails over the summer to keep posted about **teacher home visits from Aug 2-31st** and other information pertaining to the start of school Sept 5, 6 & 9. **School orientation is Sept 3 & 4.** Kindergarten attends orientation on 9/3/24 and their first full day is on 9/4/24.

**Summer Hours:** The Bethany Busy Bee ELC Office is open through the summer, **but without regular hours.** Please feel free to email, call us, or stop by, just call ahead to make sure someone will be in the office.

**Safety is an ongoing focus:** We will continue to work towards improvements in the key card access; the outdoor safety; staff training and secure indoor locations. Thanks for helping us make progress in these important ways.

**Many Thanks:** It is impossible to recount the many ways you have each been a blessing to us! Thanks for allowing us to be a part of your life!

## Events Over the Summer

### Parent Supervised Open Playground

- **6/7, 6/24 & 7/12 Play Dates** from 10 am-12 pm

### Summer Camps:

- 6/11-14 Vacation Bible School, 9 to noon
- 7/9-11 Science Exploration, 9 to 1
- 7/16-18 Wacky Art, 9 to 1
- 7/23-26 Theater Camp, 9 to 1

**Summer Reading Program: 6/7 - 8/7**

## NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

- 8/5—8/30 Teacher Home Visits
- 8/27 TTH Meet & Greet
- 8/28 MW & MWF Meet & Greet
- 8/29 MDO & Kinder Meet & Greet
- 9/3 Kinder & Preschool Orientation
- 9/4 Preschool Orientation & First Day of Kinder. MDO may attend Parent Orientation **either 9/3 or 9/4.**
- **First Days of School: 9/5 TTH, 9/6 MWF & MDO, & 9/9 MW class**



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. **Praying for HIS best for all of you, love Joyce & the staff**