

"...with God all things are possible." **Matthew 19:26**

What's Buzzing at Busy Bee

October 2025



Volunteer Opportunities

Please go to our website, and select "Volunteering" under the Parent Partnerships tab.

Silent Auction

Collect donations, send thank you cards, wrap baskets

Lunch & Learn
Set & clean up

Fall Festival

Set up, Lead a game or activity, or take pictures

Recurring

Wash Playground or Gym toys weekly.

Collect items and pack boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

Volunteer in the classroom or for Lunch Bunch.

What Happened Last Month

We've really appreciated all of your efforts to turn in your forms and to help us begin the school year well. Please remember to check your child's backpack daily for their work and school information.

We hope you enjoyed Pizza with our Pastors, and our Walk-A-Thon along the Highline. We want to extend an extra large thank-you to our community, because we reached our stretch goal of \$10,000!

We are truly grateful to God for each and every person who helped make the Walk-a-thon possible this year, through donations, coordination, or even just participation. Mrs. Mack's classroom raised the most money at \$2,000, and earned themselves a most excellent celebratory Root Beer Float Party!

What's Happening this Month

1-2 Littleton Historical Museum

We meet at the museum to tour with our classes. Parents may bring a lunch to enjoy an optional picnic at the park across the street. Parents attendance required. Teachers will be at the museum on both days, so there is no class or lunch bunch on these days. In the case of inclement weather, we will have a regular school day. Please check the school calendar for timing & other details.

- 3 NO SCHOOL: Teacher In-Service
- **8 10 Donuts with Dad** 8:15 9:05
- **10** Parents' Night Out 4:30 8:30
- **13** Operation Christmas Child: Collections Begin
- **15** Meeting & Supporting Neurodiversity L&L w/ Rachel Jorgensen 12:00 – 1:30
- 15 Firefighter Visit: Rescheduled
- **16 17** NO SCHOOL: Parent-Teacher Conferences

Please sign up for conferences—you can find a link to sign up your teacher's website page or Busy Bee Newsletters.

22 - 24 School Pictures

Optional Sibling Pictures at 8:15

29 - 31 Fall Festival 9:30 - 11:30

This event is a student favorite, with fun fall-themed games and activities. We'd love to have parents join us for Fall Festival! We're looking for parent volunteers to lead small groups, run carnival stations, and take photos. Your help makes this event extra special—sign up to be part of the fun!

31 Bethany's Trunk or Treat 5:00

FREE COMMUNITY EVENTS

Oct 8th: Denver Art Museum
Oct 3rd: Colorado Railroad Museum

Oct. 20th: Denver Museum of Nature &

Science

Nov. 1st: Denver Zoo

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Early Learning Center

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Silent Auction

One of our biggest events for our parents is our annual Silent Auction, the week before Thanksgiving Break.
This event is a great opportunity to score a fun treat for you and your family, or to advertise your business!

The auction opens November 17th with online bidding until midnight on Friday the 21st.

We'd love any contributions you can make. Gift certificates from one of your favorite places, a gift basket from a store, or one that you put together; a service you can provide or your family's favorite dessert recipes would be welcome additions to this fun event.

Operation Christmas Child

To make we will be collecting items for the extra shoe boxes we'd like to make. There will be additional items and an opportunity to donate the mailing cost included in a Sign Up Genius. We are hosting a packing party Nov 12 & 13 from 10:30-1:45 pm, free lunch bunch.

Providing a Balanced Early Childhood Education in a Christian Environment

Safety Measures:

- •Please drive cautiously in the parking lot!
 There may be some parents with their hands full who are unable to hold their child's hands.
- •Please leave some **handicapped parking** for our grandparents and others who are less mobile. It gets pretty busy here at the beginning an end of the morning.
- •Know we ask for **identification**, when we see new or an unfamiliar face.



Awana is a scripture based Bible Club with fun games

and special activities. We serve children from age 2 through middle school on Tuesdays from 6 — 7:30.

- •Please make sure you carry your **key card** with you to enter the building. Let us know if you can't find your key so we can replace it.
- •Please make sure the **door shuts and locks** behind you when entering or leaving the preschool building.
- •Please don't open the door for someone you do not know.

These measures create a safe environment for all.

JACK'S CORNER

QUESTION: It's so hard to say goodbye to my little guy as I drop him off for school. Any suggestions?

ANSWER: The child's ease in transitions is a part of personality and temperament; it varies significantly from child to child. Much of what we call temperament is "out of the womb" (genetic). Although most children (and adults) develop and learn compensatory skills to cope with transition, deep within, children who struggle with transitions will always find them somewhat emotionally difficult. Good news: skills that ease transitions can be learned, and parents and teachers can help.

Consider the following suggestions:

- 1. Children take emotional cues from parents. If mom or dad is upset, frustrated, sad, or worried, the child often reacts to and mirrors the parent's emotion. Parents should have a loving, but relaxed mood when dropping off their children. Reinforce this mood by bending down, giving a quick hug or high-five, looking them in the eye and saying something like: "Love you! I'll see you after school."
- 2. **Make your drop-off very brief**. The longer you take to disengage from your child, the longer the "agony" and the more time is provided for your child's emotions to escalate. After the "love you, good-bye," get out fast!
- 3. You might need to **partner with the teacher**. Let your teacher know that you're going to leave quickly, so she can redirect your child to an activity promptly.
- 4. **Believe you are doing a good thing** by equipping your child for the rest of life by helping them learn how to transition while the transition is relatively small. There will be other life transitions that are much harder

Without question, it's hard to watch your child cry and have him/her cling to you at the beginning of every school day. Don't prolong the time it takes your child to acquire transitions skills by enabling clinging behaviors. Instead, a calm mood, a quick good-bye, and a fast exit is the best plan.

What's Coming Up

- •Nov. 3-4 Veterans Wall of Fame: Send us a picture
- Nov. 5 Picture Retakes
- •Nov. 6 L&L "Practical Advice About Bullying" with Jack Lipski from 12:00-1:30.
- •Nov. 10 & 11 Veteran's Day Presentations. MDO may join either day.
- Nov. 12 & 13 Operation Christmas Child Packing Party
- •Nov. 14 L&L "Speech" with Melissa Daly from 12:00-1:30.
- •Nov. 11 Butterbraid Christmas Sale Begins

- Nov. 13 & 14 Vision Screening
- •Nov. 14 L&L "Kindergarten Readiness" with Leah Martin from 12-1:30 pm.
- •Nov. 17 & 18 Merry Andrew Afoot with "Stone Soup" skit at 10:30 am. MDO may join either day.
- ●Nov. 11-21 Silent Auction
- •Nov. 19 & 20 Thanksgiving Feast 11am ~ All invited. MDO may join either day.
- •Nov. 24 thru 28 No School, Fall Break