

# Children of Hope Child Development Center

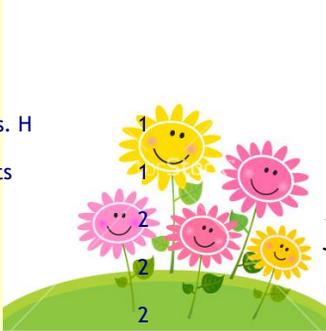
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## Hope Happenings: News from Mrs. H's Office

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May is always such a bittersweet month. In so many ways, we are excited for the end of a school year as we celebrate the growth and success of our kiddos. But it also means we must send our graduates off to kindergarten, and parting with them can really tug at our heartstrings. We hope you all feel the genuine love and pride we have for your children. We thank you for sharing them with us this year. We have worked hard to nurture them socially, academically, physically and spiritually, in order to instill in them a love of learning and great success in kindergarten and beyond. Thanks for being a part of our school family during this, our 10<sup>th</sup> school year!

### Upcoming Events

- ◆ **TILE PAINTING**  
Wednesday, May 3rd  
11:30am - 12:30pm
- ◆ **GARDEN DAYS**  
May 4 & 5
- ◆ **MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS**  
May 10 & 11
- ◆ **WATER DAYS**  
May 15 & 16
- ◆ **LAST DAYS OF SCHOOL**  
May 17 & 18
- ◆ **REGISTRATION for 2017-18 School Year**  
Ongoing



# LUNCH BUNCH



## Available Daily

Pick Up at 12:30pm: \$10

Pick Up at 1:30pm: \$15

Pick Up at 2:00pm: \$20

**Get your kiddo ready for Kindergarten! Help them practice lunch time and the longer day!**

**\*No Lunch Bunch on Tuesday, 5/9 for Staff Luncheon**

**\*No Lunch Bunch on the last days of school: 5/17 and 5/18**

# Leave Your Mark!



## Add your child's artwork to our Memory Tile Wall!

Tiles will be mounted to the north wall, outside Mrs. H's office.

**What: Tile Painting Day**

**When: Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Time: 11:30 am – 12:30 pm**

**Where: Children of Hope campus: upstairs**

**Price: 6" tile = \$15      8" tile = \$20**



LAST FRIDAY ENRICHMENT CLASS

With Mrs. Palomaa

FRIDAY, MAY 5th

# WATER DAYS!



**May 15 & 16**

**Wear bathing suits and sunscreen**

**Bring a beach towel**

**Bring a change of clothes**

# Birth to Five Helpline

Young children don't come with an instruction manual. You're going to have questions. There will be times when you can use some advice. Sometimes you just need someone to listen.

## Call or Click

The Birth to Five Helpline is a free service available to all Arizona families with young children, as well as parents-to-be, with questions or concerns about their infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Call the Helpline to speak with an early childhood specialist, on duty Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. You can also leave a voicemail or submit your question online anytime.

The Helpline is staffed by early childhood development specialists, registered nurses, disabilities specialists, early literacy specialists and mental health counselors.

You can ask about anything, including:

- Sleep
- Feeding/Eating
- Fussiness
- Tantrums/Challenging Behaviors
- Potty Training
- Child Development
- Health and Nutrition
- Parenting

Early care and education professionals may also take advantage of this free service.

The Birth to Five Helpline is operated by Southwest Human Development, Inc., with support from First Things First.

Call 877-705-KIDS (5437) or visit the [Birth to Five Helpline](#) website to submit your question online.



# FIRST THINGS FIRST

## Ready for School, Set for Life

Children ages 3 to 5 are learning many new skills. They play games, run and climb and start to learn letters and numbers. But they can have a hard time seeing things from someone else's point of view. Although your child may seem more grown-up now, she still needs your help and guidance.

## THINGS YOU CAN DO

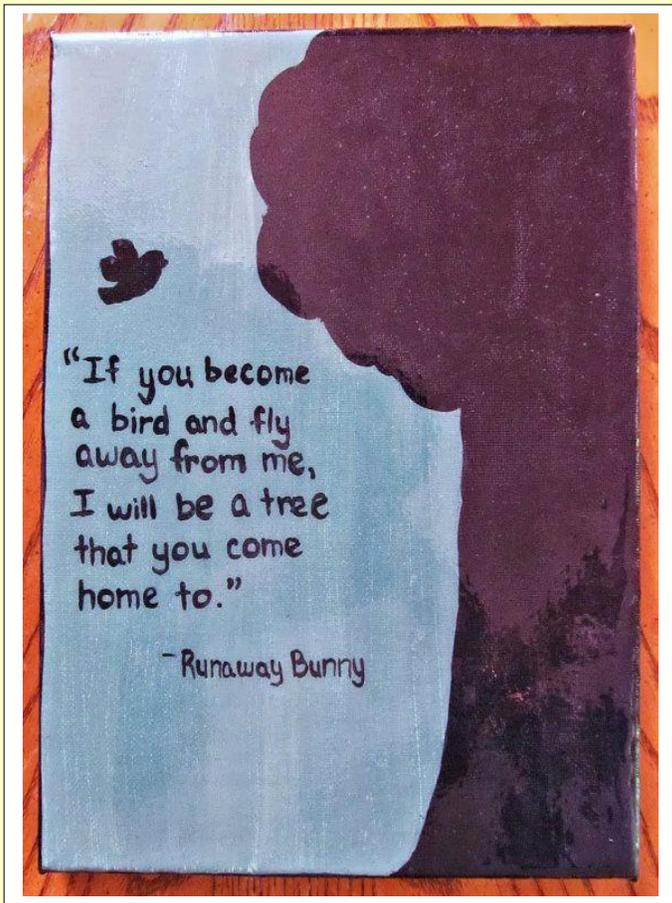


### Help Your Child Be Ready for School

- Encourage your child's curiosity. Answer his questions with simple explanations.
- Support his interest in pretend play. Join in when he asks you to.
- Make sure your child has time to play with other children.
- Point out letters in signs, and go through the alphabet together.
- Use blocks, big puzzles and other toys to teach letters and numbers.
- Sing alphabet and counting songs together.
- Use books to talk about difficult topics, like anger or sharing.
- Ask your child's doctor about [Reach Out and Read Arizona](#).

### Let Your Child Learn by Doing

- Encourage hands-on learning rather than watching TV.
- Include your child in everyday tasks, such as cooking and cleaning.
- Take her to interesting places, such as museums and zoos.
- Help her learn responsibility. For example, she can help pick up her toys, set the table or sort the laundry.



*Garden Days: May 4 & 5*

*Many thanks to Dale Howell and the Garden of Eatin' volunteers for helping us with our garden!*

**Want to help?  
Join us this month!**

## “Mother’s Day Celebration”



Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> **or** Thursday, May 11, 2017  
Children of Hope Preschool



Please make drop off and pick up times with your child

**Cell Phone Free Zones** 😊 THANKS!



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**Facebook**

Join our Facebook group!

**Like our Page** to stay informed!

Help us get 100 Likes!

**Also, join our Private Group**

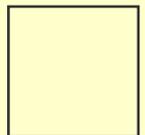
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**Labels for Education**

Clip and send these labels:



Found on any of these products:



We have used funds from this program to purchase playground equipment and a die cut machine! **Keep those labels coming!**

**This program is ending but labels marked “Labels for Education” will continue to be accepted until they are gone. Check your products! Drop box in Mrs. H’s office. Thank you!**