

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 a bittersweet month for us. We are so excited to celebrate our kiddos, those moving on to kindergarten, those who have mastered potty training, those who have discovered how to problem solve on their own...the list goes on and on and on! But we also must part with our friends and families who are moving on to kindergarten, and this is where it gets tough.

We have been privileged to know many of our graduates since they were 2 years old, and we have even known some of them while they were still growing in their mommy's tummies! To say we are attached to them is an understatement. I have always told prospective families that my teachers will love their child as if their own, and this is not a lie. It is evident each day, but it is especially evident when I see the heartfelt emotions when we must part.

Happy Birthday!



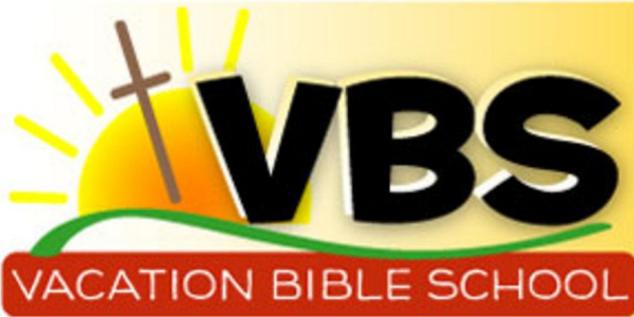
June 2 - Mrs. Pierce
June 30 - Mrs. H

Happily, once a Hope kiddo, always a Hope kiddo! We are so lucky to continue relationships with our families well into high school, and for some, through college. That same swell of emotion and pride is felt when we watch a Hope kiddo in our community, at a sporting event, a concert, etc. We are watching you, you are a part of us. Please stay in touch...it gives us such joy!

We thank you all for the trust you placed in us this year. Our world didn't seem quite back to normal this year, and maybe that old normal is gone. And through these strange times we recognize even more the huge gift you give to us when you share the beauty that is your child with us. I have a small dish in my home with an inscription that reads "You stand taller when you kneel to help a child." Thank you for those moments with your child. They mean the world to us.

Very fondly,
Mrs. H

#fillyourchildwithhope



Ages 4 - 5th grade

Rockin' for Jesus!



May 31 - June 2

Sign up with this link:

[Vacation Bible School - Esperanza Lutheran Church \(myesperanza.org\)](http://myesperanza.org)

FAMILY CHAPEL TIME



PARENTS!

We THANK YOU for participating in Family Chapel Time this year!

On behalf of Deacon Connie, Pastor Annemarie, and myself, Mrs. H, we thank you for participating in Family Chapel Time this year. Some of our most precious memories are made in Chapel Time and we hope when your child leaves our school he/she knows the love of God, the example of Jesus, and the Fruit of the Spirit. It is our privilege to teach the children that God loves them and that Jesus came to show us that love and how to treat others. Thank you for sharing this special time with us!

FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

love,
joy,
peace,
patience,
kindness,
goodness,
faithfulness,
gentleness,
and self-control



Galatians 5:22-23

WHY LUNCH BUNCH?



Lunch Bunch offers our students opportunities for additional socialization through mealtime, extended activities, and play. We provide a safe, nurturing place where the children can eat lunch with their peers, while learning to manage and clean up their own space, with the bonus of added time to socialize and play with their friends.

With the company of our supportive teachers, Lunch Bunch kiddos can acclimate to a longer school day, can make mistakes (such as spills) and be helped to fix them, and can gain confidence and independence.

Lunch Time is very fast in elementary school and here at Hope we believe in providing Lunch Bunch as an opportunity for our students to practice the “soft skills” needed for kindergarten success.

Available Daily

Sign up Book is located outside Mrs. H's office

Pick Up at 12:30pm: \$10

Pick Up at 1:30pm: \$15

Pick Up at 2:00pm: \$20

Must be enrolled in 3's or Pre-K.

Not available to our Toddler Class due to diapering/licensing issues.

NO LUNCH BUNCH Tuesday, May 17 (Last Day of School)



**Because kids don't come with instructions
Quick tips for busy parents. Make the most of everyday interactions.
Sign up today!**

Caring for a young child'

We're here for anyone who cares for a child, prenatally through age 8: parents, parents-to-be, grandparents, babysitters, aunts/uncles, neighbors, friends, teachers, and more.



Bright by Text can help!

We send free text messages with conversation starters, bonding activities, games to boost brain development, social-emotional development tips, and much more. Our messages come from trusted partners like PBS KID

Easy Sign Up

We only ask for your child's birth date and zip code. That way, you'll get tips and resources timed to their exact age and information about events and resources. We will never share your info! Bright by Text is completely free, but standard text and data rates may apply.

BRIGHT
by text
ARIZONA PBS
CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

now what?
Free activities, games, and resources for parents and caregivers of children under 5 sent right to your cell phone

text
ARIZONAPBS
to 274448

brightbythree.org *Standard text and data fees may apply.

The advertisement features a close-up of a young child's face with their hands on their cheeks, looking surprised or excited. The text is arranged in a clean, modern layout with a mix of blue and orange colors.

<https://youtu.be/ekl8oVrY60Q>

Parenting is hard.
Help is a phone call away.



Birth to Five HELPLINE 
"Nothing Out of the Question" **877.705.KIDS**



Tools for your Parenting Toolbox

Ever feel frustrated that your kids aren't listening to you? Give Assertiveness a try! In this webinar, Certified Instructor Abbi Kruse shares the top two tools she wishes had been in her parenting toolbox when her children were growing up, one of which connects to the skill of Assertiveness.

[Webinar: Tools for your Parenting Toolbox - Conscious Discipline](#)

ASSERTIVENESS

Requires clear communication that focuses children's attention on what we want them to do.

PASSIVE VOICE:

Sounds like a question: "Can you start cleaning up?"

AGGRESSIVE VOICE:

Sounds like a threat: "Clean up now or else!"

ASSERTIVE VOICE:

Sounds like a statement of fact: "Pick up the blocks and put them in the bucket like this."

DRIVE IN MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for pizza & snacks and to watch the movie
ENCANTO!

Friday,
May 6th

5:30pm

COH

PLEASE RSVP HERE: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0849ADAA2FA5FB6-cohdrive>

There's still time to design a box for your child's "car". We found that the "cars" really helped the kiddos stay engaged. Blankets are also welcomed.



Leave Your Mark!



All current students & alumni of Children of Hope are invited to add a tile to our wall! Come to the Drive In Movie Night and paint a tile any way you like...leave your mark and be a part of our history! Only 30 tiles available...first come, first served.
Tiles will be mounted to the north wall, outside Mrs. H's office.

When: Friday, May 6th @ Drive In Movie Night

Time: 5:30 – 7:30pm

Where: Children of Hope campus

Price: 6" tile = \$20

Family Name: _____

Contact Phone #: _____

I wish to purchase:

6" tile Qty: _____ x \$20/ea = \$ _____

Fee will invoice via Brightwheel.



Thursday, May 5th

We really look forward to this special time with our moms. Please see your teacher's newsletters and lesson plans for details.



Please send your child to school on our last day (May 17) in a bathing suit and bring a beach towel. We will enjoy some water play, with a surprise or two at the end of the day! Join us at 11:15am for some fun!



Please make drop off and pick up times with your child
Cell Phone Free Zones 😊

SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT

We at **Children of Hope Child Development Center** are committed to providing a smoke-free environment for children, staff members, and child care providers. Due to hazards from exposure to second-hand smoke and as a recognized Empower child care facility, it shall be the policy of this child care facility to provide a tobacco-free environment for children, staff members, child care providers, and parents.



**Cleaning & Disinfecting
Services**



FORCE SHIELD
FOG • DISINFECT • PROTECT



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