Honey Bears Newsletter November 2026



The Roslyn Librarian comes to read us stories once a month.

Thank you parents for attending Parent Night. I hope you received all the information you need to get a good picture of what we do in the Honey Bear room. If you were unable to attend and would like information about what we discussed feel free to reach out to me through procare or personally.

Themes:
Seasons
We Give Thanks
Family
Fine Motor Skills

Signs

- Thank You
- Mom
- Dad

Books
Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer books
Thank You Thanksgiving by David Milgrim
Bear Says Thanks by Jane Chapman
The Family Book by Todd Parr
Families by Shelley Rotner and Sheila M. Kelly



Honey Bears are rolling a dice, counting the numbers on the dice, and removing the correct number in the tree to put in their basket.



After reading 10 Apples on Top, students glued apples on their head. Then they had to count how many apples there were.

Cognitive Milestones

Milestones your child should be at when entering Honey Bears (3 years old)

- Draws a circle when you show how to.
- Avoids touching hot objects, like a stove, when you warn them.

Milestones your child should be at when turning 4. (Learning throughout the school year)

- Names a few colors of items.
- Tells what comes next in a well-known story.
- Draws a person with three or more body parts.

https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/actearly/milestones/milestones-4yr.html

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Honey Bears are tracing letters in sprinkles for national ice cream cone day.



This week the Honey Bears were learning the Letter C. Students had to cover the letter C with a magnetic chip and when they are done finding all the C's they get to pick them up with a magnetic wand.

ENCOURAGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF FINE MOTOR SKILLS

When your preschooler was a baby, they used fine motor skills to grasp your fingers and clench their hands. They may have grabbed or held onto rattles or teethers and passed objects from one hand to the next. As your child became a toddler, they used fine motor skills when eating, playing and exploring the world around them. By the time your child got to preschool, the fine motor skills they started developing as a baby are helping them learn to write, use scissors, button clothes, build with blocks and more.

Tips to help your preschooler learn fine motor skills:

· **Give your preschooler opportunities to explore and manipulate** age-appropriate objects. Give them supervised access to crayons, child-safe scissors, finger paints, pipe cleaners and other craft objects to draw, mold, and manipulate. Even toys like LEGOS, puzzles and blocks can help with the development of fine motor skills.

· **Encourage use of both hands.** Did you know that being left or right handed can come from mom or dad? A **study** shows the same genetic markers tied to being left-handed may also play roles in brain development and communication between different brain areas. Although children may be as old as six years old before they show a preference for using their left or right hand, encouraging them to use either hand means they can more fully explore their world and learn.

· **Expect a mess.** Messes can be learning experiences! When your preschooler digs into the dirt, or cuts construction paper into small pieces, these are learning experiences using fine motor skills.

https://papromiseforchildren.com/kindergarten-here-i-come/



Students are identifying the number on the apple core and then finding the corresponding four's to finish the paper.



Painting lines to make their fall tree.

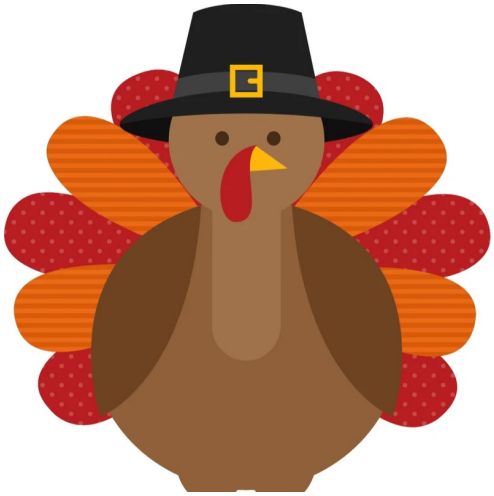
Special Dates

11/2 Holmesburg Bakery Fundraiser Starts
11/3 Election Day -**Day Care is Closed**
11/11 Picture Day
11/12 Vision Screenings
11/13 World Kindness Day
11/16 Holmesburg Bakery Orders Due
11/23 Copper Beech ½ Day/ Santa Shop Envelopes Go Out
11/24 Copper Beech ½ Day
11/25 Copper Beech ½ Day/**CLOSING at 3:00 PM/** Holmesburg Bakery Delivery 12-3 pick up
11/26 **CLOSED Happy Thanksgiving**
11/27 **CLOSED Happy Thanksgiving**
11/30 Roslyn Library Visits

Reminders

1. Please check your child's locker to make sure they have 2 complete sets of clothes. (Shirts, pants, underwear, and socks) If you want you can provide an extra pair of shoes just in case.
2. The weather is starting to change. Please make sure your child has the appropriate coat, hat, and gloves. We go outside at 25 degrees to 90 degrees.
3. Label Everything!
4. If someone is picking up your child besides a parent or guardian please inform us. You will have to fill out "Release Form."
5. If your child is going to be absent please send us a message through Procare or call the Honey Bear room.

We will be learning letters I, J, K, L
We will be working on identifying letters in the daily news written by the teacher.
We will be working on fine motor skills.





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Matching letters!



Honey Bears were learning the number 5. They had to dot all the fives.

November News & Reminders

The holiday season is right around the corner! We have lots of exciting things planned and some important dates and reminders to share with our families. Thank you for your continued support!

Important Dates & Closings

Election Day – Tuesday, November 3rd

We will be **CLOSED** on Election Day as well as **Copper Beech.**

Picture days will be Nov 11th and 12th

Copper Beech Half Days – November 23rd, 24th & 25th

Thanksgiving Holiday

- **Wednesday, November 25th:** Day Care will close at **3:00 PM**.
- **Thursday, November 26th:** CLOSED – Thanksgiving
- **Friday, November 27th:** CLOSED – Black Friday

We hope everyone enjoys this special time with family and friends. Have a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving!

Giving Back This Holiday Season

We are excited to be partnering with the **Breathing Room Foundation** again this holiday season! We will also be helping a family in need within our own community.

Each classroom will sponsor a family and help make their holiday season a little brighter. Please keep an eye out for a **SignUpGenius email** with opportunities to donate and help a family in need.

Last year was a huge success and were hoping to make this year the same!

Holmesburg Bakery Fundraiser

Our **Holmesburg Bakery Fundraiser** begins on **November 2nd**, and all orders are due by **November 16th**.

Don't miss your chance to enjoy their delicious pies and unbelievable donuts, just in time for Thanksgiving!

Order Pickup: Wednesday, November 25th, between **12:00 PM and 3:00 PM**.

Thank you for supporting our fundraiser!

Vision Screening – November 12th

Vision screenings will take place on **Thursday, November 12th**.

Please make sure you have completed and returned your child's consent form.

Annual Holiday Shop – December 8th–10th

It's almost time for one of our favorite holiday traditions!

Our annual **Holiday Shop** will be held December 8th through December 10th.

Children in our Gummi Bears through Pooh Bears classrooms, along with our school-age children, will have the opportunity to shop for special gifts for their families.

- **Order forms will be sent home November 23rd.**
- Gifts will range in price from **$3 to $10**.
- Simply complete the order form and return it with your payment. We'll take care of the rest!

The children love being able to surprise their families with gifts they picked out themselves. **No peeking!**

Outdoor Play & Winter Clothing

As the weather gets colder, please remember that we continue to enjoy outdoor play every day!

Our children go outside for approximately **one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon**, weather permitting. We will remain indoors when the temperature or wind chill drops below **25 degrees**.

Please make sure your child comes to school with appropriate clothing, including a warm coat, hat, and gloves when needed.

With the heat running, our classrooms can also get quite warm, so **dressing your child in layers is always a great idea!**

Summer Camp information will be available in January.

All children in grades K–6 must register for summer camp, even if they are currently enrolled in our before- and after-school program.

A Few Friendly Reminders

Building Entrance & Exit

For everyone's safety, please remember to use the **playground door** when entering and exiting the building. This should be the only door used by families.

Permission to Release

If someone other than a parent is picking up your child, please make sure you complete a **yellow Permission to Release form**. Anyone picking up a child should have a photo ID available. Thank you for helping us keep all our children safe!

Arrival Time

Please make every effort to have your child at school **by 9:00 AM**. Our classrooms begin circle time and daily learning activities in the morning, and arriving on time helps your child settle in and enjoy the full day with their friends.

Holiday Attendance Schedules

As the holidays approach, please let your child's teachers know if your family has any planned vacations or days off.

Knowing your holiday plans ahead of time helps us prepare our classroom schedules and staffing.

We are looking forward to a fun and exciting holiday season filled with learning, laughter, and special memories!

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