



Newsletter: May 1 - 5, 2023

1. Theme of the week

Letter Zz. Show & tell is on Friday. It is helpful to encourage your child to share something about the item he/she chose to bring. Help your child answer one of the 5WH questions - What, When, Who, Where, Why, or How.

2. Staff Who Will Be Leaving Us

Ms. Johanna Hom is leaving us for a new adventure. Her last day at HOPE is 4/28/2023. We, especially the Colts, will miss her A LOT! We wish Ms. Johanna blessings on her new adventure.

Ms. Amy Chan, co-teacher for the Owls, is leaving us to care for her family. Her last day at HOPE is 5/12/2023. We wish Ms. Amy Chan has a smooth transition to her new role caring for her family. We will miss Ms. Amy!

3. Check in/out

It is a licensing requirement. We are given a violation when licensing visits and children are not signed in. Licensing actually recommends a \$100 fine to get families to sign in, but we opted for \$50. Some of you might have experienced BW having issues when you check in/out your child, you may need to delete your BW app and reinstall it. Also, update your phone OS. If you still have trouble, please look for a staff member to use their phone as a kiosk to check in/out. Teachers have paper sign in/out sheets too, in case the BW app is down.

4. May Birthday

Courtney Chin, Elli Chin, Jameson Young, Julie Young, Kira Alberto, Lucas Huang, Raelyn Chin, Titus Chan and Xander Vial will be turning 5 years old. **Cody Thach, Edison Chu, Ella Xie, Irene Choi and Lucas Thach** will be turning 4 years old. **Austin Wong and Colin Lin** will be turning 3 years old. **Happy Birthday!! Ms. Colleen, Ms. Polly Chan and Ms. Sandy** celebrate their birthdays in May, too! **Happy Birthday!**

We will only have one birthday celebration each month in the classroom. Each teacher will decide on a day and communicate with the families in his/her class. **Remember: NO goodie bags and only store bought treats in its original packaging.**

5. 5/7 (Sun) Family Day at 1pm-3pm

This month, our Family Day is for Owls, Bears, Penguins, Alligator & Lemurs. This will be the last Family Day for this group in this school year. Please come and enjoy the time together. Please sign up HERE: <https://forms.gle/BipLKaaD1XUd939C9>.



6. Canceled 6/25/2023 Family Day

We will use this day to invite our new school families. Please make note of the change.

7. Parents/volunteer immunization records

To comply with Child Care Licensing Regulations, you need to complete the immunization records in order to volunteer in your child's classroom or participate in school activities. Some of you have received our BW message regarding your incomplete immunization records. You can log into Digital Vaccine Record (DVR) <https://covid19.ca.gov/dcvr/#getting-your-record> or your health care provider website to download your vaccination record. If you immigrated to the US, you can check with your doctor to take a blood test to see if you have immunity.

8. 5/12 Lunch Helpers

Thank you to those who signed up to help release our teachers to enjoy their Teacher's appreciation luncheon. If you are being selected, you should have received a Brightwheel message on 4/27 Thursday.

9. Hope's Chinese Language School

We are currently accepting applications for the Fall of 2023 semester. Please contact Colleen Wan at the front office if you are interested in enrolling your child in Chinese School or have any questions.

10. National Teacher Appreciation Week - May 8 - 12, 2023

We will be celebrating our wonderful staff the week of May 8 - 12 during National Teacher Appreciation Week. Our theme this year is based on the book, Thank You, Teacher from The Very Hungry Caterpillar. This is a fitting theme as a teacher's role is to guide caterpillars in the transformation process to becoming butterflies. Our celebration will involve parents and children.

Our students will draw/paint a caterpillar on the template you should have received. We will collect the artwork on Tuesday, 5/9, and create a classroom copy.

Our parents can join in our celebration in the following ways:

- a. Bring a treat for our staff on the day assigned to their child's class. Bring 6 servings only.
 - i. Monday 5/8/2023 Lemurs, Alligators, & Penguins bring treats
 - ii. Tuesday 5/9/2023 Bears & Owls bring treats
 - iii. Wednesday 5/10/2023 Bunnies & Dolphins treats
 - iv. Thursday 5/11/2023 Colts & Ducklings bring treats
- b. Contribute \$10 towards a catered lunch on Friday, 5/12. Please bring CASH to the front office or preschool office or drop it in the tuition box outside the preschool office.
- c. We have confirmed with moms who will stay for lunch duties on 5/12. Thank you!!



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We appreciate your kindness and generosity. We look forward to a fun Teacher Appreciation Week!

11. Mark your calendars

(You can view the 2022-2023 calendar on our [website](#) too)

2022-2023 School Year

(We will notify you ASAP when change is necessary)

5/7/2023	Family Day (Owls, Bears, Penguins, Alligators, Lemurs) Sunday 1:00 - 3:00pm (has been rescheduled from 5/21/2023)
5/12/2023	Mother's Day Activity (9:30 – 11:00 am)
5/29/2023	Memorial Day (school closed)
6/10/2023	Saturday Parent/Staff Work Day (1:00 – 4:00 pm)
6/16/2023	Father's Day Activity (9:30 – 11:00 am)
6/19/2023	Juneteenth Observed (school closed)
6/25/2023	Family Day (Ducklings, Colts, Dolphins, Bunnies) Sunday 1:00 - 3:00pm (CANCELED)
7/4/2023	Independence Day Observed (school closed)
7/24-28/2023	Preschool Promotion Program (10:30am – 11:30am) Monday 7/24 Alligators Tuesday 7/25 Owls Wednesday 7/26 Penguins Thursday 7/27 Bears Friday 7/28 Lemurs
8/16 – 8/18/2023	School Cleaning Days/Staff Work Days (school closed)