



»» MAY NEWS

What's the BUZZ?

Last month our Busy Little Bees participated in celebrating so many events including Week of the Young Child & Autism Awareness! We also had 30+ volunteers come in to speak to our students about their careers. This month we will celebrate our teachers, the "mom" figures in our lives, Bumble's Birthday, & our Busy Little Bees 3 year anniversary!

»»» Attachments

- Busy Little Bees Event Calendar
- The Hive Flyer
- Reading Challenge
- Recipe
- Summer Activities to Entertain Your Kids
- Summer Schedules for Preschoolers at Home



»» Important Dates

EVENTS AT THE HIVE

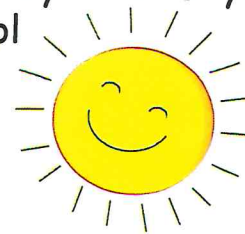
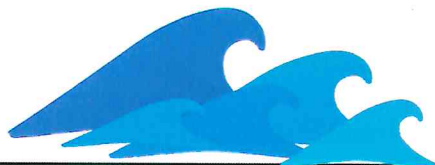
- 5/05: Buddy Baseball Opening Day!
- 5/04-5/08: Teacher Appreciation Week!
- 5/05: Cinco de Mayo!
- 5/11: Muffins with Mom! 
- 5/12: Busy Little Bees Pizza Day
- 5/16: The Hive (11AM- 1PM)
- 5/20: Bumble's Birthday Celebration!
- 5/22: Tribute to Memorial Day
- 5/25: Memorial Day- school closed!
- 5/29: Busy Little Bees 3rd Anniversary
- 6/05: Donuts with Dad! 

»»» Upcoming June Dates

June 2026						
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

CALENDAR DATES

- June 10th- June 18th: Half Days!
- June 19th: No School- Juneteenth!
- June 22nd - June 25th: Half Days!
- June 26th: Half Day- Last Day of School



Busy Little Bees

Preschool And More

MAY

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

					1	2 Buddy Baseball Opening Day!
3 Teacher Appreciation Week! May 4 th - May 8 th	4	5 Cinco de Mayo	6	7	8	9
10 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!	11 Muffins with Mom	12 Pizza Day!	13	14	15 Family Fun Challenge Due!	16 The Hive 11AM-1PM
17	18	19	20 BUMBLE'S BIRTHDAY!	21	22 Tribute to Memorial Day Half Day!	23
24	25 MEMORIAL DAY School Closed	26	27	28	29 Busy Little Bees 3 rd Anniversary	30
31	JUNE 1 st	JUNE 2 nd	JUNE 3 rd	JUNE 4 th	JUNE 5 th Donuts with Dad	

Notes:

- 5/04- 5/08: Busy Little Bees will be celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week- special thank you to all our amazing educators that always go above and beyond for our students!
- 5/05: Our Busy Little Bees will celebrate Cinco de Mayo with music!
- 5/11: We invite all of our Moms to join us at Busy Little Bees to celebrate Mother's Day with a special event- Muffins with Mom!
- 5/16: Busy Little Bees presents The Hive! Please join us for our final mega play date of the 2025-2026 school year. We hope to see you there!
- 5/20: Today is Bumble's 2nd Birthday! Happy Birthday to our
- 5/22: Busy Little Bees will pay tribute to our veterans in honor of Memorial Day. Today is also a half day, all children must be picked up by 12:30p.m.
- 5/25: School is closed for Memorial Day!
- 5/29: Busy Little Bees turns 3! Thank you to everyone that has been a part of our journey, it would not be possible without the support. We are so excited to see what year 4 has in store!
- 5/05: We invite all of our Dads to join us at Busy Little Bees to celebrate Father's Day with a special event- Donuts with Dad!



Busy Little Bees

Preschool **A**nd **M**ore

PRESENTS

The Hive

A NEUTRAL LOCATION DEDICATED FOR A PURPOSEFUL PLAYDATE IN A FAMILIAR PLACE FOR ALL TO GATHER.

WE ARE INVITING PARENTS AND CHILDREN TO JOIN US AT THE HIVE TWO TIMES PER MONTH, FOR TWO HOURS, FOR A MEGA PLAYDATE WHERE ALL ARE WELCOME.

THIS IS 100% FREE TO ENCOURAGE CONNECTIVITY, SOCIAL SKILLS, AND CHILD INTERACTIONS ALONG WITH CREATING A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY FOR PARENTS. NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR TOYS, WE WILL PROVIDE ALL THE FUN NEEDED! WATER BOTTLES WELCOME.

NOTE: CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED AND SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT FOR THEIR ENTIRE STAY AT THE HIVE. STAFFING WILL ONLY BE USED TO MONITOR THE SPACE AND HOSPITALITY, NOT TO SUPERVISE THE CHILDREN.

Upcoming
DATE:

MAY 16TH

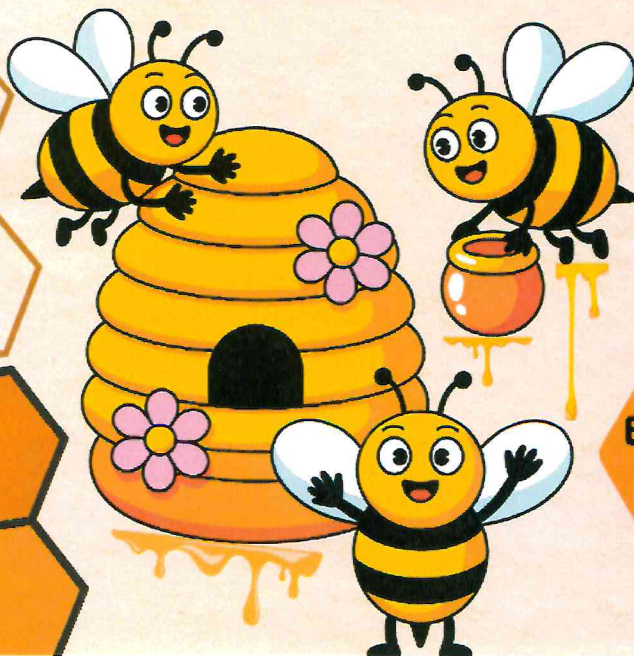
11AM TO 1PM

THE HIVE WILL RESUME IN
SEPTEMBER!

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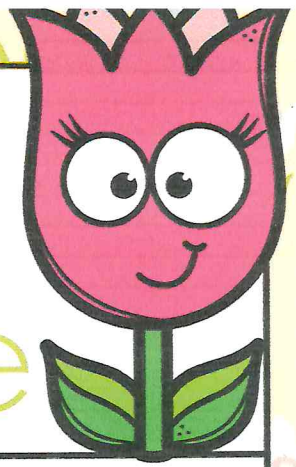
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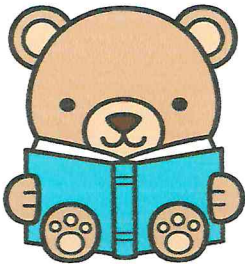


May

Reading Challenge



Read a poem



Take turns reading with a grownup



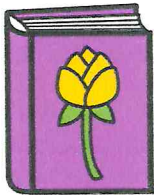
Read at the park



Read on one foot



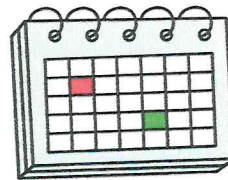
Read a book with a flower on it



Read for 25 minutes



Read on a Monday



Read with a silly voice



Read laying UNDER your bed



Read a book with no words

Read in a garden



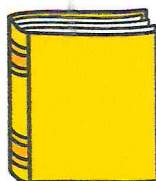
Read to a friend



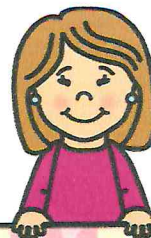
Read a book that's also a movie



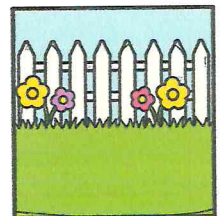
Read a book with a yellow cover



Read a book about a mom

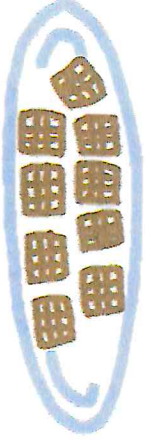


Read in your yard




CANDY FLOWERS - DIRECTIONS

1. Arrange nine pretzels on a microwave safe plate.



2. Add one  on top of each .

3. Put the  in the 

4. Microwave the  for 50 seconds, or until the chocolate is soft.

**5. Make sure not to melt the
much!**



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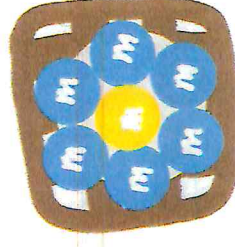
6. Grab some



7. Arrange the



8. Now you can eat them!



Recipe yields: 9 candy flowers

Summer Activities to Entertain Your Kids

“I’m bored!”

It’s the dreaded phrase every parent hates to hear. Vacations and summer break are supposed to be a time of relaxation and a slower pace for everyone, but try telling that to your “bored” child.

If it’s only the second day of school break and your child is already complaining (and you’re ready to rip out your hair in frustration), it’s the perfect time to check out this **summer bucket list of kids’ activities** to keep your kids busy and add to your [Summer Routine Ideas](#).



1. Go to a local museum
2. Tour local parks to find your favorite
3. Visit relatives
4. Have a picnic
5. Eat popsicles (bonus points if you make homemade popsicles)
 6. Explore a science center
 7. Invite a friend over
 8. Swim in a lake
 9. Make breakfast for dinner
 10. Sleep (or read a book) in a tent
 11. Roast marshmallows or [make a camper pie](#)
12. Look at the constellations (try downloading an app on your phone to show you where to find each constellation)
 13. Catch a lightning bug
14. Jump in a puddle (send the kids outside on a rainy day – just make sure there's no lightning!)
15. Have a water balloon fight ([these balloons are so easy to fill](#))
 16. Read a book
 17. Build an indoor fort
 18. Blow bubbles
 19. Play with [sidewalk chalk](#)
 20. Create a rock collection
 21. Have a building contest with [Play-Doh](#)
 22. Put on a show
 23. Paint a picture
24. Write a letter (mail it to a long-distance relative or even send it to a nursing home to cheer someone up)

- 25. Go to a library (many libraries have summer activities, so check the website or call ahead to find out if there are any exciting activities)**
- 26. Bake a dessert**
- 27. Watch a movie (share your favorite childhood movie with your kids)**
- 28. Play putt-putt golf**
- 29. Go for a bike ride**
- 30. Swim in a pool**
- 31. Run through a sprinkler**
- 32. Study a bug**
- 33. Make a sandcastle**
- 34. Visit a farm**
- 35. Go bowling (this is a perfect rainy day activity)**
- 36. Climb a tree**
- 37. Pick a bouquet of flowers**
- 38. Make s'mores**
- 39. Watch a baseball game**
- 40. Make homemade ice cream**
- 41. Get an international cookbook and try some new foods**
- 42. Visit a state park**
- 43. Attend an outdoor concert**
- 44. Visit a local farmer's market and challenge the whole family to try a new fruit or vegetable**
- 45. Go to a water park and go down the tallest water slide**
- 46. Have a hula hoop contest**
- 47. Visit a wildlife sanctuary**
- 48. Go on a boat ride**
- 49. Make up hip hop dances to your favorite songs**

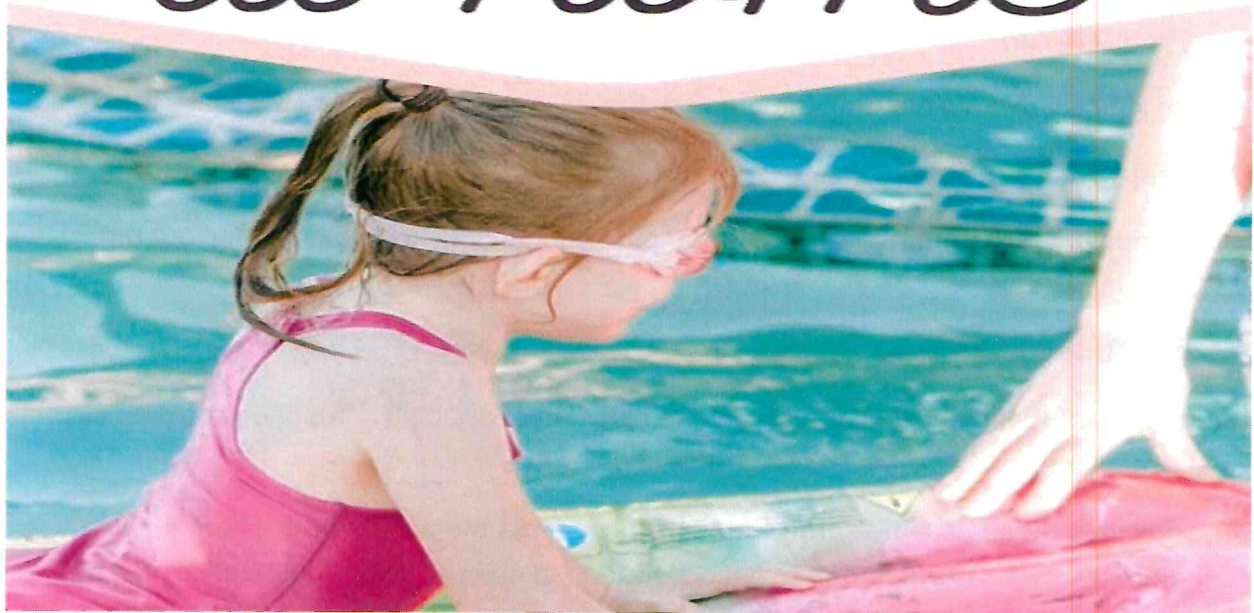
- 50. Create a summer playlist**
- 51. Take a day trip to an amusement park**
- 52. Attend some college summer programs: Does your local community college offer fun courses for young children in the summer? This is a great opportunity for local experts to teach a cooking class or other courses during the summer season.**
- 53. Fly paper airplanes across the great outdoors**
- 54. Ride a ferris wheel**
- 55. Make a time capsule**
- 56. Try a new sport**
- 57. Go on a local wildlife tour**
- 58. Join a book club**
- 59. Attend a music festival**
- 60. Go on a scavenger hunt**
- 61. Make some new friends**
- 62. Go on a road trip with your family**
- 63. Make root beer floats**
- 64. Have an outdoor movie night**
- 65. Participate in random acts of kindness**
- 66. Go on a treasure hunt**
- 67. Have a beach day**
- 68. Visit local businesses and find a hidden treasure**
- 69. Invite your friends to share their favorite snacks**
- 70. Host a game night**
- 71. Create your own summer bucket list**

This has awesome summer bucket list ideas to banish boredom and get your kids to think of creative activities.

Summer Schedules For Preschoolers At Home

Do you have preschoolers at home for the summer? How about some **summer schedules for preschoolers at home** that will help save your sanity – and make them happy too? Contrary to popular belief, children actually thrive on routines and schedules – and [routines for moms](#) are your saving grace!

SUMMER SCHEDULES FOR PRESCHOOLERS *at home*



When creating your summer schedule, you may find you need a variation of these routines and schedules. Feel free to use any combination, but these routines are a good guideline to get you started.

PRACTICAL OVER PERFECT: DAILY SUMMER SCHEDULES FOR PRESCHOOLERS

No schedule or routine will ever be foolproof or perfect when it involves kids. Things can be somewhat unpredictable. As parents, we should always be ready to adapt on the fly.

Having preschoolers at home can be extremely hectic and busy, but at the same time it can be very fun for the entire family.

Just like with any routine, you want to set yourself and your family up for success, and the best way to do this is to start with a good, easy, and practical morning routine.

Be sure to cap the day with an effective nighttime routine for kids, and plan fun activities throughout the day.

Wake up and start your morning routine

Most preschoolers are early risers, so it's a good idea to plan ahead and start your morning routine early. A good time to wake up and start your day is between 7 and 8 because then you have a good chunk of day to play with.

Breakfast

To make it fun, maybe get the kids involved and let them help you prepare something once or twice a week.

Everybody tidy up

Get the kids involved in clearing the breakfast table ([sing a song](#) to make it really fun).

Free Play or Screen Time

Let the kids entertain themselves while you get some tidying done or washing out or whatever is needed.

Outdoor Time

Including outdoor adventures are great for all kids, but especially preschoolers who are used to daily outside activities as part of their preschool classes.

Everyone gets dressed. Grab some water, a snack and a blanket if you are heading to a park. Summer is the perfect time to get outdoors and enjoy the sun and fresh air. Go on bike rides, ride on scooters, play in the park, or if you are lucky enough, head to a beach.

This is the perfect opportunity to cross fun activities off your [summer bucket list](#)!

Lunch Time/MIDDAY ROUTINE

Once you get home, prepare some lunch, eat, and everyone should tidy up again together. As young as your preschooler may be, there is no better time than at this age to teach them responsibility and how to work as a team.

Free play/screen time or reading time

Maybe you want to keep an educational activity going through the holidays, so why not indulge in a book together, or a board game even? Maybe download an educational game that is age appropriate onto your mobile device (or their tablets if they have them).

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After the kids go to bed, carve out at least 30 minutes of kid-free time.

SCHEDULE ADDITIONS: SUMMER ACTIVITIES

As we mentioned before, prepare for the unexpected and be ready to adjust things at whim.

So, if the summer day is not quite what you expected, try to have [mess-free indoor activities](#) planned. Also, make time for art projects, play dough fun, baking, fort building, and that sort of thing.

It will not only be fun and entertaining but also add to the educational part of things too – because preschoolers are sponges and always learning.

Also, make provision for play dates and add in shopping days, swimming days and all those great things that come with summer.

CONCLUSION

Summer is wonderful. It just seems to brighten up everything and everyone, and it gives one a sense of renewed energy.

But summer also makes preschoolers extra active and they just want to go, go, go. That is why having summer schedules for preschoolers in place is vital. You and your children can enjoy the summer with minimal fuss – and leave you feeling sane (or at least a little).

Happy summer!

