



# Hope PDO & Preschool

## From the Directors...

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We hope that you had a wonderful Christmas and an outstanding two weeks, enjoying family, friends, and the holiday season.

It is a busy time of the year at Hope Preschool with registration beginning this month. Registration for current and alumni students will be on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>. Registration packets are going home this week. Registration information is also on the website, [Hopechangeslives.org](http://Hopechangeslives.org). We are using the same registration process that we used last year. Registration forms are in your packet and available on the website. We will need one registration form for each child. We are also using the same priority website. The website is Eventbrite, and the information is in the packets and on the website. When you go online at 6:30 the morning of registration, you will get a confirmation email, but the numbers are not in sequence, so do not be alarmed.

If you have any questions, or need any help with registration, please feel free to stop by the office and talk with us! If you have a friend or neighbor interested in our program, Open Registration is Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. Feel free to take a registration packet to them!

## So many thank yous...

We would like to thank you for your support of our Christmas Program! It is always a special evening, filled with children dressed in their Christmas best, smiles, singing, laughter and love!

Thank you also for supporting 10 children at Joshua Station and donating new and gently used toys this Christmas for those less fortunate. It is such a blessing to have so many wonderful, caring and giving families among us. You are all extraordinary!!

The staff enjoyed a delicious breakfast once again provided by some of our wonderful parents...Elizabeth Parker and Allyson Dailey. What a treat it is for us to have breakfast, thank you!

Thank you for continuing to shop at King Soopers... we received \$288.50 last month. Again, this is such an easy way to support Hope PDO and Preschool. If you need a King Sooper shopping card, we have them in the office!

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### Noteworthy and Newsworthy...

- We cleanup our playground toys at the end of each day. We kindly ask for your help in keeping our playground clean if you are playing after school. Thank you!
- Enrichment activities are starting up again... Dance, Stretch and Grow, Spanish and Stage One are starting back up in January.
- As the seasons change, please remember to change out those spare clothes in your child's tote.
- Book Orders will be sent home next week and will be due Friday, January 19th. It's easy to order books online!
- Monday, January 15th is Martin Luther King Day- there is no school that day. Enjoy the three-day weekend!
- A reminder that if Cherry Creek School District is closed for a snow day, so are we. If they are on a delayed start, we will be starting 30 minutes late... so we will start at 9:30am.

Love and Blessings,

Robyn Maxum and Courtney Taylor



## Nursery Rhymes

In keeping with our belief that kindergarten readiness begins at birth, we will be stressing several nursery rhymes each month. Children love Mother Goose because “she enchants the ears and knows how to make words sound wonderful.” This is a big part of phonemic (the sounds that letters make) awareness and is a necessary pre-reading tool. Help your children learn these rhymes and have fun! Below are the nursery rhymes for October and November. The nursery rhymes we will be using are taken from *Mother Goose: A Treasury of Best-Loved Rhymes* illustrated by Tim and Greg Hildebrandt and edited by Watty Piper.

### January

#### Hey Diddle Diddle

Hey diddle diddle,  
The cat and the fiddle,  
The cow jumped over the moon.  
The little dog laughed,  
To see such a sight,  
And the dish ran away with the spoon.

#### Here We Go Around the Mulberry Bush

Here we go round the mulberry bush,  
The mulberry bush,  
The mulberry bush.  
Here we go round the mulberry bush  
On a cold and frosty morning.

#### Head, Shoulder, Knees and Toes

Head, shoulder, knees and toes, knees and toes

Head, shoulder, knees and toes, knees and toes

Eyes and ears and mouth and nose

Head, shoulder, knees and toes, knees and toes

Head, shoulder, knees and toes, knees and toes

Head, shoulder, knees and toes, knees and toes

Eyes and ears and mouth and nose

Head, shoulder, knees and toes, knees and toes



# January

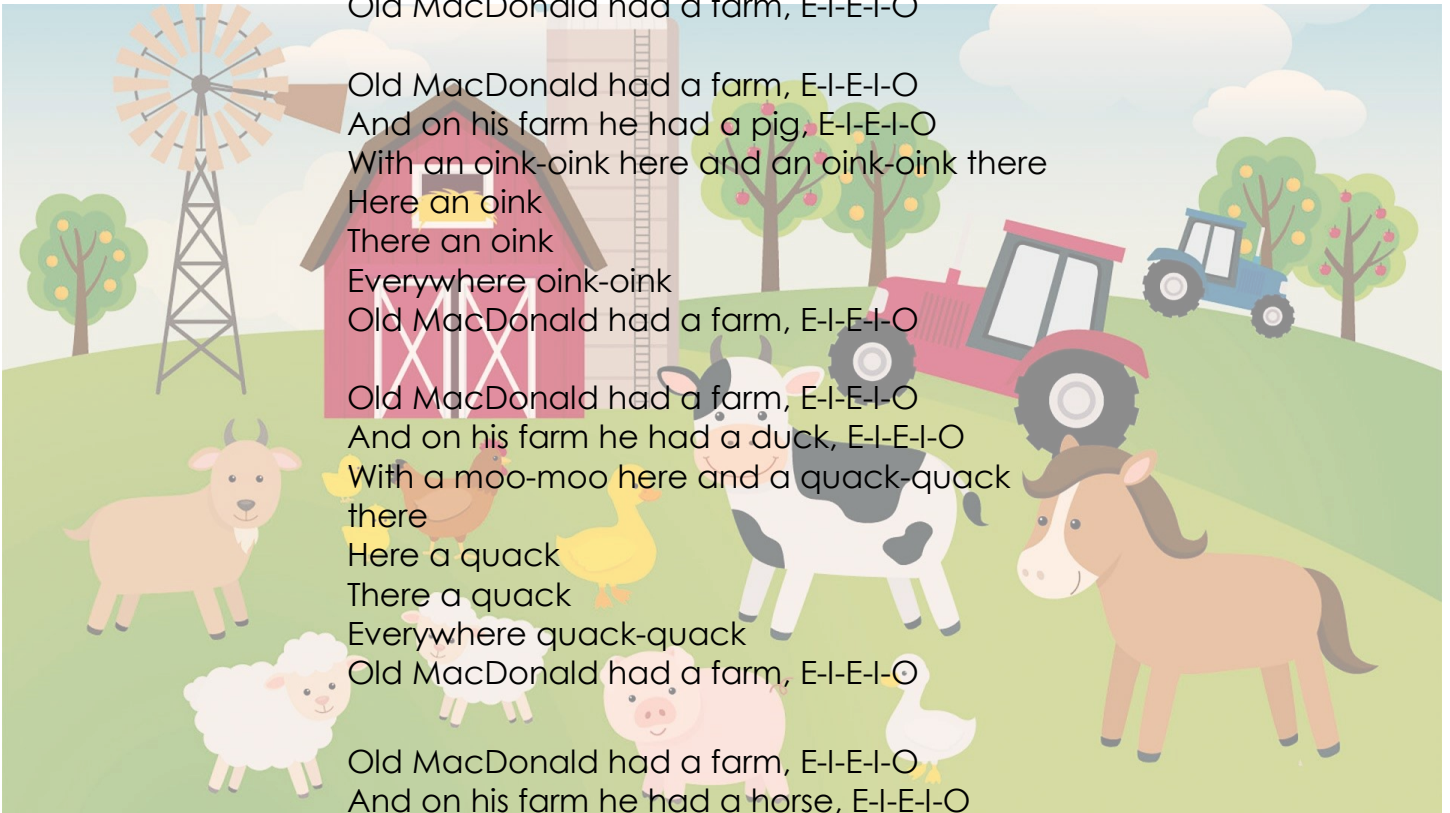
## Old MacDonald Had a Farm

Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O  
 And on his farm he had a cow, E-I-E-I-O  
 With a moo-moo here and a moo-moo there  
 Here a moo  
 There a moo  
 Everywhere moo-moo  
 Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O

Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O  
 And on his farm he had a pig, E-I-E-I-O  
 With an oink-oink here and an oink-oink there  
 Here an oink  
 There an oink  
 Everywhere oink-oink  
 Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O

Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O  
 And on his farm he had a duck, E-I-E-I-O  
 With a moo-moo here and a quack-quack  
 there  
 Here a quack  
 There a quack  
 Everywhere quack-quack  
 Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O

Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O  
 And on his farm he had a horse, E-I-E-I-O  
 With a neigh-neigh here and a neigh-neigh  
 there  
 Here a neigh  
 There a neigh  
 Everywhere neigh-neigh  
 Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O



## February

### Pop! Goes the Weasel

All around the Mulberry Bush,  
The monkey chased the weasel.  
The monkey stopped to pull up his sock,  
Pop! goes the weasel.

Half a pound of tuppenny rice,  
Half a pound of treacle.  
Mix it up and make it nice,  
Pop! goes the weasel.

### Mary Had A Little Lamb

Mary had a little lamb,  
It's fleece was white as snow;  
And everywhere that Mary went  
The lamb was sure to go.

It followed her to school one day,  
Which was against the rule;  
It made the children laugh and played  
To see a lamb at school.

And so the teacher turned it out,  
But still it lingered near,  
And waited patiently about  
Till Mary did appear.

Why does the lamb love Mary so?  
The eager children cry;  
Why, Mary loves the lamb, you know;  
The teacher did reply.

### You Are My Sunshine

You Are My Sunshine  
My only sunshine.  
You make me happy  
When skies are grey.  
You'll never know, dear,  
How much I love you.  
Please don't take my sunshine away.

The other night, dear, as I lay sleeping  
I dreamt I held you in my arms  
When I awoke, dear, I was mistaken  
So I hung my head, and I cried.

You Are My Sunshine  
My only sunshine.  
You make me happy  
When skies are grey.  
You'll never know, dear,  
How much I love you.  
Please don't take my sunshine away.

I'll always love you and make you happy  
If you will only say the same  
But if you leave me to love another,  
You'll regret it all one day.

You are my sunshine, my only sunshine  
You make me happy when skies are grey  
You never know, dear, how much I love you  
Please don't take my sunshine away.





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
NO SCHOOL						
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Letter: IJK Color: White Shape: Oval Unit: Stock Show/Farm						
14	15 NO SCHOOL	16	17	18	19	20
Letter: Mm Color: Oval Shape: Oval Unit: My Body/5 Senses						
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Letter: Nn Color: Oval Shape: Oval Unit: Nutrition/Dental Health						
28	29	30	31			
Letter: Oo Color: Pink Shape: Heart Unit: Outer Space/Opposites						





February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
Letter: Oo Color: Pink Shape: Heart Unit: Outer Space; Opposites						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Letter: Pp Color: Pink Shape: Heart Unit: Pizza; PJ's; Pirates & Princesses						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Letter: MNOP Color: Pink Shape: Heart Unit: Valentine's Day						
18	19 NO SCHOOL	20 NO SCHOOL	21	22	23	24
Letter: Qq Color: Pink Shape: Heart Unit: Mother Goose						
25	26	27	28			
Letter: Rr Color: Green Shape: Rectangle Unit: Dr. Seuss; Rhyming						



## Emergency Volunteers

The volunteers for each day should check in at the office. If you've saved a different day, please see Robyn.

### January & February

January 8, 2018	Monday	Christi Strong
January 9, 2018	Tuesday	Christi Strong
January 10, 2018	Wednesday	Diana Miller
January 11, 2018	Thursday	Meghan Vickery
January 12, 2018	Friday	Diana Miller
January 16, 2018	Tuesday	Shannon Hackett
January 17, 2018	Wednesday	
January 18, 2018	Thursday	Mittsi Petersen
January 19, 2018	Friday	Molly Bump
January 22, 2018	Monday	Erin DeAngelo
January 23, 2018	Tuesday	Lindsey Bye
January 24, 2018	Wednesday	Christy Cummings
January 25, 2018	Thursday	Lindsey Bye
January 26, 2018	Friday	Molly Bump
January 29, 2018	Monday	Tara Terella
January 30, 2018	Tuesday	Julia Pape
January 31, 2018	Wednesday	Tara Terella
February 1, 2018	Thursday	Suzanne Smith
February 2, 2018	Friday	Katie Langford
February 5, 2018	Monday	Laura Mancini
February 6, 2018	Tuesday	Alisa Felin
February 7, 2018	Wednesday	Seon Comeau
February 8, 2018	Thursday	Kate Lenig
February 9, 2018	Friday	Tara Terella
February 12, 2018	Monday	Aimee Spaulding
February 13, 2018	Tuesday	Kassie Hurley
February 14, 2018	Wednesday	Bethany or Peter Brookens
February 15, 2018	Thursday	Gina Draudt
February 16, 2018	Friday	Lindsay Pedersen
February 21, 2018	Wednesday	Amanda Nelson
February 22, 2018	Thursday	Molly Kruljac
February 23, 2018	Friday	Alison Hankins
February 26, 2018	Monday	Jane Lewis
February 27, 2018	Tuesday	Lindsey Pintar
February 28, 2018	Wednesday	Amanda Nelson





## Meet the Staff

**First, just the facts...****Name:**

Sue Martin

**What class do you teach/assist:**

Assist in Owls T &amp; F

**How long have you been working at Hope:**

3 years

**Tell us about your family:**

Married, 3 kids, 25, 23, and 18

**Now, for something a little different...****What's the coolest thing you did this summer?**

Tri for the Cure

**What do you like to do in your free time?**

Workout; Play tennis

**Where is your favorite place to shop:**

Ross, Marshalls

**What are some small things that make your day better?**

Coffee

**And now, the speed round...****Dogs or cats?**

Both

**Sweet or salty?**

Sweet

**Concert or sporting event?**

Sporting event

**Favorite dessert?**

White cake with white frosting

**Favorite snack?**

PB pretzels in chocolate

**Favorite restaurant?**

Chop House

**Favorite Starbucks drink?**

Tall Flat White

**First, just the facts...****Name:**

Robyn Maxum

**What class do you teach/assist:**

Director

**How long have you been working at Hope:**

This is my 10th year

**Tell us about your family:**

Married to Mike for 28 years; Kelsey (25) and her husband, Seth, live in Colorado Springs; Ryan (23) lives in San Francisco; Kyle (20) attends CSU

**Now, for something a little different...****What's the coolest thing you did this summer?**

I went to Fiji with my entire family - 16 people!

**What do you like to do in your free time?**

Read, spend time with family and friends, do things outside

**Where is your favorite place to shop:**

Trader Joes; TJ Maxx; Target

**What are some small things that make your day better?**

A surprise latte; a kind word; time with Mike relaxing and chatting

**And now, the speed round...****Dogs or cats?**

Dogs

**Sweet or salty?**

Sweet

**Concert or sporting event?**

Concert

**Favorite dessert?**

Cheesecake

**Favorite snack?**

Cheese &amp; crackers

**Favorite restaurant?**

Breakfast restaurants; Hacienda Colorado

**Favorite Starbucks drink?**

Latte

*First, just the facts...*

**Name:**

Kori McCall

**What class do you teach/assist:**

Assist in Frogs M, W & F

**How long have you been working at**

**Hope:**

This is my first year

**Tell us about your family:**

I've been married to my husband, Jeff, for 22 years. We have 3 girls... 16/14/12.

*Now, for something a little different...*

**What's the coolest thing you did this summer?**

I spent the summer re-modeling one house - most uncool summer ever!

**What do you like to do in your free time?**

Cycle; read; go to the gym; thrift

**Where is your favorite place to shop?**

Amazon; TJ Maxx

**What are some small things that make your day better?**

Coffee; a fun magazine; a joke; Caramel M&M's

*And now, the speed round...*

**Dogs or cats?**

Dogs

**Sweet or salty?**

Sweet

**Concert or sporting event?**

Sporting event

**Favorite dessert?**

Chocolate chip cookie

**Favorite snack?**

Kettle corn or movie theater popcorn

**Favorite restaurant?**

Too many good choices - I love Mexican and Sushi

**Favorite Starbucks drink?**

2 pump mocha



*First, just the facts...*

**Name:**

Bronwyn McIntosh

**What class do you teach/assist:**

Music T & TH

**How long have you been working at**

**Hope:**

New!

**Tell us about your family:**

Husband, Dave, 5 adult kids, 1 grandson, 1 on the way

*Now, for something a little different...*

**What's the coolest thing you did this summer?**

Went to NY for a long weekend to see a couple of shows! And my son got his mission call to Washington D.C.!

**What do you like to do in your free time?**

I love to read! Listening to music; singing; playing with my grandson

**Where is your favorite place to shop:**

Park Meadows and the Castle Rock Outlets with my kids!

**What are some small things that make your day better?**

Getting things done and checking them off my list

*And now, the speed round...*

**Dogs or cats?**

NO!!!

**Sweet or salty?**

Sweet

**Concert or sporting event?**

Sporting event unless I can go and see a musical or a play!

**Favorite dessert?**

Pie or Tiramisu

**Favorite snack?**

Protein bars

**Favorite restaurant?**

Sushi - Anywhere!

**Favorite Starbucks drink?**

Peppermint Hot Chocolate



**First, just the facts...**

**Name:**

Joanne Howard

**What class do you teach/assist:**

Assist in Owls M, W, F; Assist in Frogs T, TH

**How long have you been working at Hope:**

5 years

**Tell us about your family:**

Husband, Karl, Daughters, Olivia, 19, 2nd year at University of Canada, Julia, 16, Junior at Eagle Crest High School

**Now, for something a little different...**

**What's the coolest thing you did this summer?**

Wine tasting in B.C. Canada



**What do you like to do in your free time?**

Walk/jog; go to the movies; DIY projects

**Where is your favorite place to shop:**

Amazon, Target, Kohls

**What are some small things that make your day better?**

I love Robyn's prayers and devotions; I love Courtney's hugs

**And now, the speed round...**

**Dogs or cats?**

Cats

**Sweet or salty?**

Both

**Concert or sporting event?**

Theater

**Favorite dessert?**

Anything

**Favorite snack?**

Anything

**Favorite restaurant?**

Any

**Favorite Starbucks drink?**

Hazelnut Latte or Caramel Macchiato

**First, just the facts...**

**Name:**

Christy Johnson

**What class do you teach/assist:**

Teach in Monkeys T, TH

**How long have you been working at Hope:**

This is my 1st year

**Tell us about your family:**

Husband, Eric, son, Raymond, 4, daughter, Margaret, 3

**Now, for something a little different...**

**What's the coolest thing you did this summer?**

Watched my kids learn to swim

**What do you like to do in your free time?**

Read; go outside

**Where is your favorite place to shop:**

Amazon

**What are some small things that make your day better?**

Giving compliments and hugs

**And now, the speed round...**

**Dogs or cats?**

Dogs

**Sweet or salty?**

Both

**Concert or sporting event?**

Either

**Favorite dessert?**

Cake; Ice Cream



**Favorite snack?**

Hummus with veggies, pretzels, and cheese and crackers with grapes

**Favorite restaurant?**

Any

**Favorite Starbucks drink?**

Pumpkin Spice Latte

# Final Thoughts and Announcements

## 37 Incredibly Easy Family Goals

### Daily

1. Wake Up Earlier
2. Be On Time
3. Get Outside
4. Pack Healthy Lunches
5. Pray
6. Eat Dinner Together
7. Eat Breakfast Together
8. Carpool
9. Set Clothes Out Nightly
10. Follow Family Rules
11. Read Nightly
12. Set a Time to Unplug

### Monthly

23. Keep Monthly Calendar
24. Monthly Family Meeting
25. Volunteer Together
26. Set a Monthly Budget for Family Fun
27. Try a New Family Recipe
28. Save for a Family Outing

### Weekly

13. Family Game Night
14. Weekly Family Dinner Plan
15. Weekly Family Walk/Hike
16. Stick to Weekly Chore Plan
17. Have Kids Help With Weekly Shopping
18. Use Reusable Shopping Bags
19. Cook Homemade Dinners Together
20. Family Yardwork
21. Assign Family Jobs Weekly
22. Visit the Library

### Yearly

29. Plan a Vacation as a Family
30. Go on a Family Road Trip
31. Annual Family Olympics
32. Start a New Tradition
33. Donate Old Clothes/Toys
34. Make a Family Goal List
35. Discuss Individual Goals
36. Learn a New Skill as a Family
37. Plan and Host a Family Reunion

