CHILDREN'S LIGHTHOUSE LEARNING CENTER Educational Day Care With a Purpose



#### CHILDREN'S LIGHTHOUSE STAFF

Angie O'Connor Owner & Director

Katie Gonzale Co-Director

Heidi Holloway Opening & Safety Manager

Kio Rodriguez Curriculum Coordinator & Education Coach

Sarrah Jury TRS Coordinator & Closing Manager

Helene VanCleave Kitchen Manager



||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| |||

In March we enjoyed Spring Break and the Scholastic Book Fair!

### April is Spring Pictures, our Annual Egg Hunt and Fiesta Shoe Box Parade!

Spring has sprung and is in full swing. Spring Pictures are in April. Easter falls in the month of April this year, so we have our Annual Egg Hunt. Our students study the life cycle of butterflies. We also have our Annual Fiesta Shoe Box Parade!

May is Graduation Pictures, Mother's Day, Spring Assessments, and Pre-K Graduation,!

In May we have our Pre-K graduation pictures at the beginning of the month. We celebrate Mother's Day. Spring Assessments come out mid-month. And we celebrate Pre-K Graduation!!

### CHILDREN'S LIGHTHOUSE LEARNING CENTER

\_ ||| ||| ||| ||| ||| |||

25473 Bulverde Road San Antonio, TX 78261 210.494.9200 / 830.980.6940 / 830.980.6941 BulverdeRoad@ChildrensLighthouse.com www.ChildrensLighthouse.com/BulverdeRoad 111 111

## **THE LIGHTHOUSE NEWS BEACON**

### KEEPING INFORMED AND **IN TOUCH**

We have a large number of families in our group now, we have several methods of communication to keep information flowing so all our families are well informed of announcements, activities and programs.

This monthly newsletter and our monthly calendar are always posted on our web site

(www.ChildrensLighthouse.com/BulverdeRoad).

**Main Telephone** Number:

210-494-9200

**Backline Telephone** Numbers:

830-980-6940 830-980-6941

**General Email Inbox:** BulverdeRoad@ChildrensLighthouse.com

Additional Resources to stay informed about activity announcements and reminders:



IKE us on facebook

Children's Lighthouse - 25473 Bulverde Road, San Antonio



Instagram

**Follow us on Instagram Our Handle is: @clclbulverderoad** 

# THE LIGHTHOUSE NEWS BEACON

AI HI HI

### Retirement Announcement!

It is with mixed emotions that we announce the retirement of Ms. Heidi, effective May 2. Since joining us in January 2019, Ms. Heidi has been a warm and welcoming presence for families, and has played a vital role in the daily operations of our center. Her dedication, hard work, and kindness will be greatly missed by all.

We thank Ms. Heidi for her years of service and wish her all the best in this exciting new chapter. Please join us in celebrating her contributions and wishing her a happy and fulfilling retirement



### 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 12, 2025

10:30 AM Reception and Retirement Celebration Immediately Following



25473 Bulverde Road San Antonio, TX 78261

Overflow Parking at Church Next Door Bring Your Own Basket!

Call/ Email/ Add your child's name to the Sign Up Sheet at Front Desk to reserve a place for your child – Space is limited!

> 210-494-9200 / 830-980-6940 BulverdeRoad@ChildrensLighthouse.com

Take Pictures with the Bunny, Parents bring your cameras!

# THE LIGHTHOUSE NEWS BEACON

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and Thank You to Ms. Yahaira (aka Ms. Hida). In February Ms. Yahaira celebrated her 10 year work with Children's Lighthouse! Thank you for all you do!



Continuous Enrollment Annual Curriculum Fee Letters out to Parents 3/27/25 & 3/28/25

### Join us for our

\*~~~~

Fiesta Shoebox Parade

Friday, April 25, 2025 at 10:30 am

~~~~\*~~~~~

Schoolwide Spring Pictures By Caitlyn's Creations

Thursday, April 10, 2025 - Rooms 1-5 & Siblings and Friday, April 11, 2025 - Room 6-9

# **THE LIGHTHOUSE NEWS BEACON**

### APRIL 2025 DATES TO REMEMBER

- 3/27/25 Continuous Enrollment and 2025 2025 Annual Curricuclum Fee Forms go home to parents
- 4/4/25 Last day to turn in Continuous Enrollment Form for 25% Discount off of 2025 – 2026 Annual Curriculum Fee
- 4/10/25 Spring Pictures Rooms 1 5 & Sibilings at 9:00 am
- 4/11/25 Spring Pictures Rooms 6 9 at 9:00 am – Last day to turn in Continuous Enrollment Form for 20% Discount off of 2025 – 2026 Annual Curriculum Fee
- 4/12/25 Annual Egg Hunt at 10:30 am
- 4/18/25 Last day to turn in Continuous Enrollment Form for 15% Discount off of 2025 – 2026 Annual Curriculum Fee
  - NEISD and COMAL ISD Schools CLOSED
- 4/21/25 Center CLOSED
- 4/25/25 Last day to turn in Continuous Enrollment Form for 10% Discount off of 2025 – 2026 Annual Curriculum Fee
  - Fiesta Shoebox Parade @ 10:30 am

/// /// ///

Experience the Lighthouse Difference

#### **2025 Summer Camp** Information for Parents

For Elementary School Aged Students

- Summer Camp is for our Elementary School Aged Students
- Last day of school for both NEISD and Comal ISD is Thursday May 22, 2025
- Full day of care available for Comal ISD students on Friday May 23, 2025 - +\$45
- First day of Summer Camp is Tuesday May 27, 2025
- Summer Camp Kit Fee includes fees for all field trips and camp T-shirt – Summer Camp Kit Fee is \$300
- Full-time Program: Monday Friday (5 days) Weekly Tuition is \$280
- Part-time Program: Tuesday Thursday (3 days) Weekly Tuition is \$210
- NEISD last day of Summer Camp is Thursday August 7, 2025
- Center closed for Back to School preparation Friday August 8, 2025
- NEISD first day of school is Monday August 11, 2025
- Comal ISD last day of Summer Camp is Friday August 15, 2025
- Comal first day of school is Tuesday August 19, 2025
- Full day of care available for Comal ISD students on Monday August 18, 2025 if enrolled in our Before/ After School Program - +\$45

# THE LIGHTHOUSE NEWS BEACON

### **Pre-K Graduation Pictures**

for Rooms 8 & 9 Thursday, May 1, 2025

### **Pre-K Graduation**

\*

### Friday, May 16, 2025

10:00 am to 11:00 am

Reception in Room 10 Immediately Following Graduation

### MAY 2025 DATES TO REMEMBER

- 5/1/25 Graduation Pictures Rooms 8 & 9 – Summer Camp Sign Up Begins – Room 10 5/2/25 – Graduation Pictures – Make ups – NEISD and Comal ISD Schools CLOSED
- 5/5/25 Spring Assessments go home to parents this week
- 5/9/25 Mother's Day Celebration
- 5/13/25 Parent Teacher Conferences Day 1
- 5/14/25 Parent Teacher Conferences Day 2
- 5/15/25 Parent Teacher Conferences Day 3
- 5/16/25 Pre-K Graduation!! 10:00 am to 11:00 am
- 5/22/25 NEISD and Comal ISD Last Day of School
- 5/23/25 NEISD and COMAL ISD Schools CLOSED
- 5/26/25 Center CLOSED
- 5/27/25 Week 1 of Summer Camp

#### 2024 Tax Statements Were Emailed

The 2024 Tax Statements were prepared and sent out via email January 10, 2025 at 9:37 am. Please save the email or print the Tax Statements for your records.

We will have duplicates available, but there will be a \$5.00 fee for a copy.

#### Parent Referral Program

Help us spread the word about Children's Lighthouse – Bulverde Road and earn FREE tuition!

When you refer family, friends, neighbors, or co-workers to our Center, you will be credited a free week of tuition for your oldest child after the referred family has enrolled and attended our center for four (4) consecutive weeks!

Thank you for your continued support of our Center. We appreciate our families.

#### Discounted Annual Curriculum Fees & Continuous Enrollment

In April we look forward and begin planning for the 2025 – 2026 School Year.

To prepare, we ask parents to complete a Continuous Enrollment Form and pay a discounted Annual Curriculum Fee for the upcoming school year. We appreciate you helping us in the planning and preparation and offer discounted Annual Curriculum Fees. The discounts are as follows, if the Annual Curriculum Fee is paid the 1st week of April we offer a 25% discount, the 2nd week we offer a 20% discount, the 3rd week we offer a 15% discount, and the 4th week we offer a 10% discount. Open enrollment for new families begins May 1, 2025. Annual Curriculum Fees will be full price April 28, 2025.

/// /// ///

# THE LIGHTHOUSE NEWS BEACON

#### **Texas Rising Star (TRS) Certification/ Accreditation**

Our Center is preparing for a certification from Texas Rising Star which is a national accreditation! The TRS certification shows that our center exceeds minimum standards and provides the highest quality early learning child care.

We have been working hard preparing for this certification. For the past year, we have had a mentoring partnership with United Way. United Way provides Quality Coaches visits to classrooms a few times a month. The Quality Coachworks with teachers side by side in their classroom modeling best practices during the visit. Quality Coaches also provide direction regarding the administrative documents ready for TRS assessment. Our certification review is scheduled for June 2025!!

#### **New Enrollment Forms**

The State of Texas Child Care Licensing Division requires that we have the most up to date family information on file. We will be sending home new Enrollment Forms to be completed with the most current information.

Please complete the forms as quickly as possible and return them to a member of the front office.

#### **Toys from Home**

We are discouraging children bringing toys from home. If a child does bring a toy from home we are asking parents to either 1. Bring the toy back to the car, or 2. Place the toy in the child's cubbie where it will remain until pick up.

... We have had several toys from home coming in to the building and they toy gets broken, lost or causes a distraction.

...We do have Show and Tell on occasion where Toys/ items from home are permitted.

#### **MISPLACED ITEMS**

We have had incidents of "temporarily misplaced" belongings recently. These things happen occasionally, we do our best to locate the items and get them back to whom they belong as quickly as possible. It really helps if parents label all their child's belongings: clothing (jackets, sweaters, hats, etc.), blankets, and "lovey" toys. backpacks, bags, and

#### **Current Illness Policy:**

Volume #13 issue #5

Most medical professionals consider a fever to be 100.4. If your child has a fever at or above 100.4, <u>please seek medical attention</u>. Please keep them home.

We have a <u>NO</u> temperature policy at our school. If your child has <u>ANY</u> fever, <u>they will be sent home and must be</u> <u>picked up within the hour</u>. The child must remain out of the school for 24 hours and be fever free without the use of fever reducing medication for 24 hours before they can return.

If your child is absent or has been sent home due to illness with, fever, cough, or contagious illness (Covid, Hand Foot & Mouth/ RSV, Strep, etc.), a doctor's note with a date that the child may return to school is required

Going into the 2024 fall and winter season if a child is diagnosed with a contagious illness, household members /siblings are strongly encouraged to stay at home to reduce the spread of germs to others.

A doctor's note is always required for children to return to school after a contagious illness (COVID, Flu, Strep, RSV, Hand Foot & Mouth, Pink Eye, etc.).

The children are taught to sneeze into their elbow, wipe/ blow their noses often, as well as maintaining frequent hand washing. We do this in addition to our cleaning/ sanitizing/ disinfecting protocol to help reduce the spread of illness.

Hand washing is the best way to reduce the spread of illness. We are diligent about handwashing procedures.

### 2025 Center Closings

Our Center is closed on

December 24, 2024 (Tuesday)Christmas EvelDecember 25, 2024 (Wednesday)Christmas DayDecember 31, 2024 (Tuesday)New Year's EvelJanuary 1, 2025 (Wednesday)New Year's DayFebruary 17, 2025 (Monday)In Service Day

April 21, 2025 (*Monday*) May 26, 2025 (*Monday*) June 19, 2025 (*Thursday*) July 4, 2025 (*Friday*) August 8, 2025 (*Friday*)

September 1, 2025 (*Monday*) October 13, 2025 (*Monday*)

November 27, 2025 (Thursday)Thanksgiving DayNovember 28, 2025 (Friday)Day after ThanksgivingDecember 24, 2025 (Wednesday)Christmas Eve DayDecember 25, 2025 (Thursday)Christmas DayDecember 31, 2025 (Wednesday)New Year's Eve DayJanuary 1, 2026 (Thursday)New Year's Day

HOURS OF OPERATION ARE: 6:30 AM to 6:30 PM Latest Pick up is 6:15 PM

LATE PICK UP FEES ARE ASSESSED <u>PER CHILD</u>: \$20.00 Minimum & an additional \$2.00 per minute after 6:40 PM

Experience the Lighthouse Difference

**Christmas Eve Day** New Year's Eve Day New Year's Day In Service Day for **Teacher Training Easter Monday Memorial Day** Juneteenth **Independence Day** In Service Day for **Teacher Training** Labor Day In Service Day for **Teacher Training Thanksgiving Day** Day after Thanksgiving **Christmas Day** New Year's Day

