

Bon View News

December 2025

Director's Notes

Many thanks for the generosity of our Bon View families who provided canned goods and nonperishable foods for our food drive. We were able to provide very full meals to four families in the Crestwood Elementary community, as well as lots of other non-perishable food for their food bank. Bon View provided gift cards for families to purchase the turkey and perishable items. We are so blessed to be a part of this generous community.



We are looking forward to spending the month of December with your sweet children. Christmas is always more magical when seen through the eyes of a child. Thank you for sharing them with us in this most wonderful season of all.

Corey C. Posey, M.Ed., Director



2026-2027 Applications

Applications for the 2026-2027 Session of Bon View School are being received in large numbers. Enrollment contracts will be sent out in January 2026 to those for whom we have applications and space available. Enrollment has opened to outside families; therefore, it is very important for you to return your child's application form ASAP if you have not already done so.

You can complete the application online [here](#). The only payment we need right now is the \$50.00 Application Fee. The Application Fee can be paid online or via check sent through your child's pocket folder. Also, should you have family or friends who are interested in enrolling their children for Bon View's 2026-2027 Session, now is the time to contact us.

Breakfast with Santa

Bon Air United Methodist Church has extended an invitation to Bon View families to join them for Breakfast with Santa. Come enjoy breakfast, and pictures with Santa on Saturday, December 6th from 9:30-11:30. For more information see the attached flyer.



Kindergarten or not?

If your child has a late spring or summer birthday, you may be wondering if kindergarten is the right choice for the fall. At Bon View, we offer a "gift of time" class for families that decide to defer kindergarten for a year. Our teachers are a wonderful resource if you are considering this as an option. An extra year of preschool offers many benefits including time to mature and become more independent, time to grow socially and emotionally, and time to continue to learn through play.

For more information about kindergarten readiness, please read this article from Child Mind Institute:

[Is Your Child Ready for Kindergarten?](#)

Important Dates

December 3: Barnes & Noble Book Fair 5:00-7:00

December 12: Early dismissal for staff luncheon - Groups D, E, 1, 2 and 8 dismiss at 12:15 and Groups A, B and C dismiss at 12:45

December 20- January 2: SCHOOL CLOSED for Christmas Break

January 5: School opens for the new year



Barnes & Noble Book Fair!

Mark your calendars for our Barnes & Noble Book Fair/Spirit Night on December 3rd from 5:00-7:00. There will be books, crafts, and teachers reading some holiday favorites. We hope to see you there!

Christmas Program

The Bon View Four's and Five's classes will have their Christmas Program on Friday, December 19th in the Church Sanctuary. Children from Groups A, B, C, D, and E will perform several songs that they have been working on with Mrs. Fidler, our music teacher. Some important details include:

- The Program will begin at 11:45am.
- We ask that families arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to the Program.
- All family members are invited to attend, including parents, grandparents and siblings.



Staff Highlights

Our staff is incredible, and they deserve to be recognized for their commitment to the field of early childhood education! Part of our teaching requirement is that our teachers receive 20 hours of training in early childhood every year so that we stay up to date on the latest information. This ongoing training comes right back into the classrooms to benefit you and your children! This month we'd like to recognize our amazing 2-day teams!

GROUP 5

Amanda Fuqua, Cheryl Weems, and Megan Becker make up our Group 5 team! Amanda has an undergraduate degree in Biology and obtained her certification in early childhood education in order to be a Bon View teacher! Cheryl has been in early childhood education for over 30 years and has a degree in early childhood education and is also a certified Montessori teacher. Megan has a Master's of Education degree in Curriculum and Instruction. She is also currently taking early childhood courses at Brightpoint Community College. This is Amanda's fifth year, Cheryl's fourteenth year, and Megan's second year on the Bon View team. They view each child as an individual and love the challenge of figuring out what teaching methods work best for each child. They believe strongly that play and letting the students create experiences with hands-on creativity will build a strong foundation of a love for learning in the future. Let them get messy, create, be curious, ask questions; this is how they will discover not only themselves but the world around them!

GROUP 6

Brittney Feagley, Lily Brooks, and Dana Doré are our Group 6 team! Brittney holds an undergraduate degree from Georgia Southern University, has a background as a Montessori educator, and even had her own Montessori based childcare program in her home. This year is her third year with Bon View. After being a Bon View parent, Lily joined our staff and is starting her sixth year as a Bon View assistant. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in communication sciences and deaf education. This is Dana's first year with us! She holds both an undergraduate and a graduate degree in Psychology and has many years of experience working as a school psychologist. This team takes pride in their child-centered and relationship-based approach to teaching. They believe strongly in the importance of community both inside and outside of the classroom and love

learning alongside children. They are grateful for the opportunity to witness all of those special lightbulb moments with your children!

GROUPS 7 & 8

Hunter Stockton, Kate Sturke, Meagan Sexton, and Lily Brooks are our two's team. Hunter is the lead teacher of both classes and has a degree in Elementary Education. This is her sixth year at Bon View! Kate, Meagan, and Lily were all Bon View parents before joining the Bon View team as assistants. They hold bachelor's degrees and have a combined total of 15 years working at Bon View! The 2's philosophy is to harbor a safe and nurturing environment that facilitates a variety of needs, focuses on play, and fosters independence. They provide intentional play opportunities that focus on whole child development. They strive to be outside as much as possible. In nature, children have the opportunity to move their bodies without constantly being redirected or interrupted. They are leading the play outside, being creative, taking risks, getting messy, and having big adventures. The two's team always encourages kindness towards our friends as well as towards ourselves.

"Children learn as they play. Most importantly, in play children learn how to learn."

- O. Fred Donaldson



Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Fuqua & Mrs. Weems Mrs. Doré, Mrs. Feagley & Mrs. Brooks





Water!

The Bon View School is joining other educators across Virginia by promoting water drinking through the Rev Your Bev initiative. This is a statewide initiative in Virginia to raise awareness about the importance of healthy hydration. Establishing water drinking habits early protects children's health now and in the future!

Did you know?

*Obesity starts in early childhood. With 1 in 5 children ages 2–5 years overweight or obese, prevention efforts must target our youngest children.

*A child's dietary preferences and health foundation is established in early childhood.

*Sugar-sweetened beverages are the only food or beverage that has been directly linked to obesity, a leading cause of heart disease, type-2 diabetes, and some cancers. A typical 10oz grape juice drink contains 8 teaspoons of sugar—twice the recommended amount for preschoolers!

*Decreasing the amount of sugar sweetened beverages consumed as a child is a first step to developing healthy habits as they get older.

*Ideally, preschoolers should be limited to one serving per day of 100% fruit/vegetable juice. Other choices during the day should be water and milk.

*Bored with plain water? <https://revyourbev.com/discover/> has some great recipes for adding extra flavor to your water.



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