

Preschool Parent Welcome and Orientation



Who is The Bear Creek School's Headmaster?

A. Karen Blankenbeckler

B. Rachael Urban

C. Bear Bear

D. Patrick Carruth



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D. Patrick Carruth



What are The Bear Creek School's colors?

A. Red and White

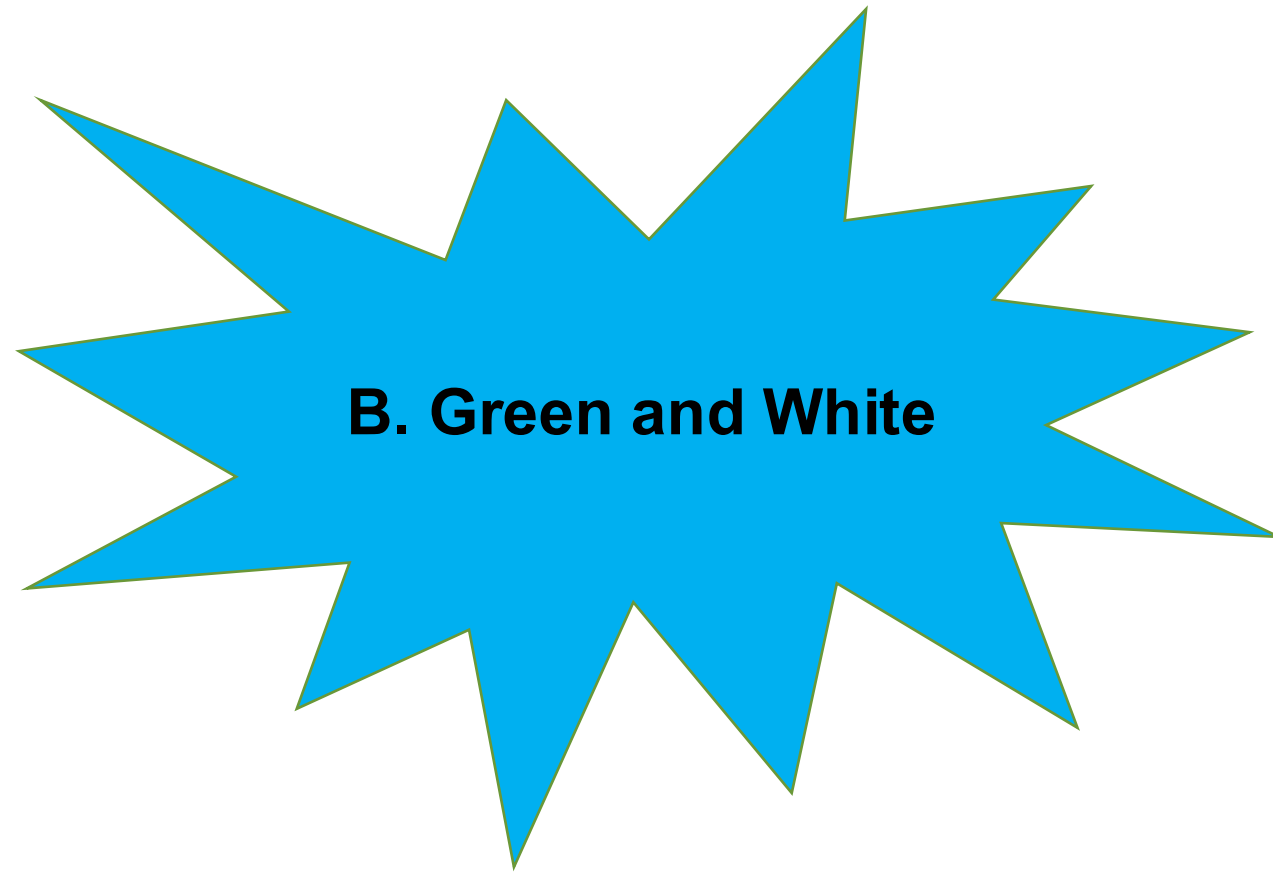
B. Green and White

C. Blue and White

D. Yellow and Blue



What are The Bear Creek School's colors?



What is the name of The Bear Creek School's mascot?

A. Big Bear

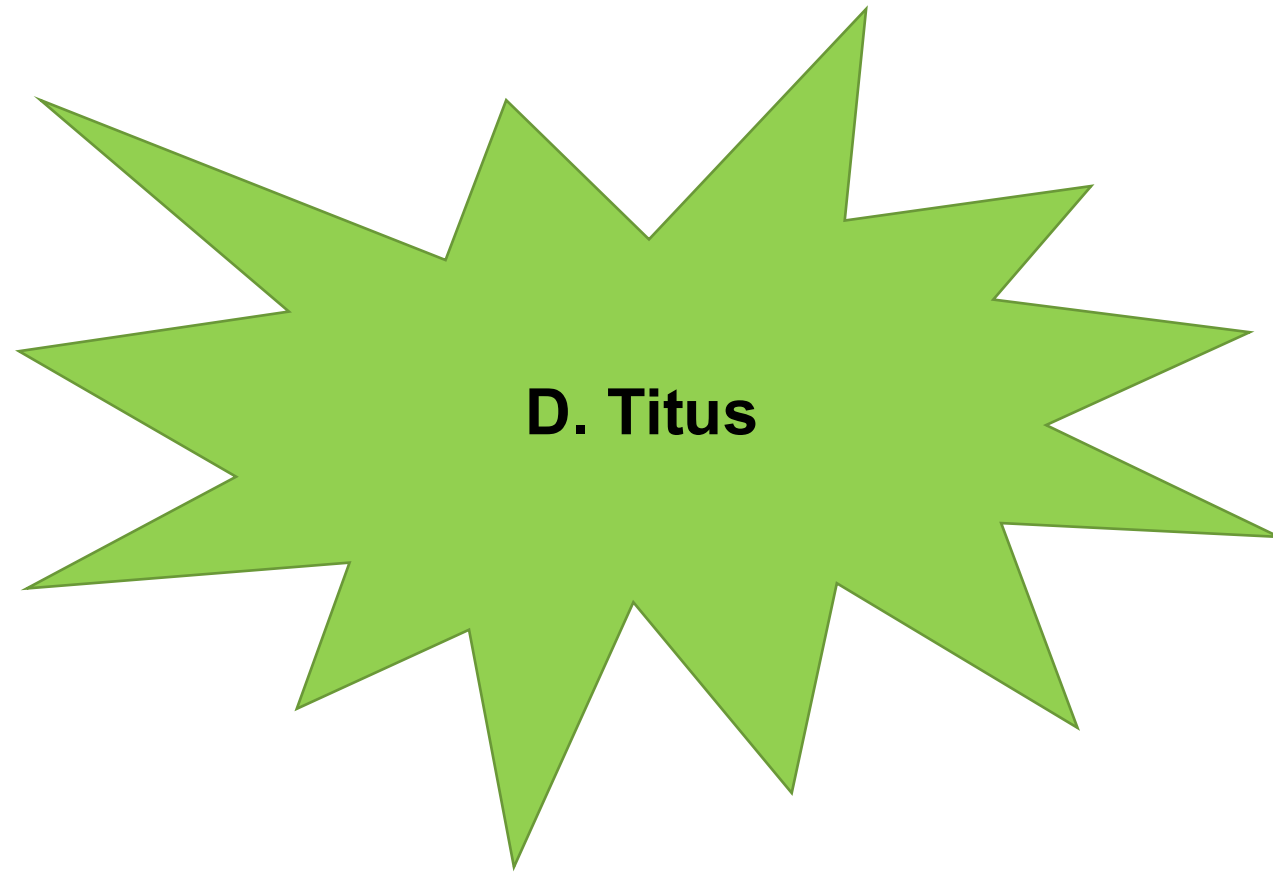
B. Leo

C. Roger

D. Titus



What is the name of The Bear Creek School's mascot?



Who greets Preschool students each morning at the gate with Mrs. Urban?

A. Bear Bear

B. Titus, the Grizzly Bear

C. Leo, the Lion

D. Dolly, the Dolphin



Who greets Preschool students each morning at the gate with Mrs. Urban?



A. Bear Bear

In what year was The Bear Creek School founded?

A. 1998

B. 1988

C. 2000

D. 1980



In what year was The Bear Creek School founded?



B. 1988



Bear Creek Preschool

Faith • Mind • Heart

Mission

Our mission is to provide a high-quality, Christian liberal arts education in a nurturing environment that will enable each student to become the individual God intends.



Preschool Experience



First Experience

Faith Mind Heart
Virtues: Growing in
wisdom, compassion,
courage



Learning Community Teaming Together

Students
Teachers
Staff
Parents
Administration



Division Abbreviations: PS, LS, MS, US

Yearly Planner



2026 – 2027 YEARLY PLANNER

Revised 09/08/2025

Dates are subject to change.

Aug 26	First Day of School US
Aug 27	First Day of School MS
Sep 1	First Day of School of LS
Sep 7	No School – Labor Day
Sep 8/9	First Day of School PS
Oct 15 – 16	No School MS/US – Parent/Teacher Conferences
Oct 16	No School LS – Teacher In-Service
Oct 19	No School – Teacher In-Service
Oct 30	No School PS/LS – Teacher In-Service
Nov 11	No School – Veterans Day
Nov 12 – 13	No School LS/PS – Parent/Teacher Conferences
Nov 25 – 27	No School – Thanksgiving Break
Dec 16	Early Dismissal US
Dec 17	Early Dismissal Grade 8 and US
Dec 18	Early Dismissal All
Dec 21 – Jan 1	No School – Christmas Break
Jan 4	School Resumes
Jan 8	No School MS/US – Teacher In-Service
Jan 15	No School – Teacher In-Service
Jan 18	No School – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Feb 15 – 19	No School – Mid-Winter Break
Mar 5	No School – Teacher In-Service
Mar 15 – 16	No School PS/LS/MS – Parent/Teacher Conferences
Mar 26	No School – Good Friday
Mar 29	No School – Easter Monday
Apr 12 – 16	No School – Spring Break
May 31	No School – Memorial Day
Jun 3/4	Last Day of School PS
Jun 7	Early Dismissal US
Jun 8	Early Dismissal Grade 8 and US
Jun 8	Last Day of School US
Jun 9	Early Dismissal LS/MS
Jun 9	Last Day of School LS/MS

	No School – All students
	No School – Some divisions – PS, LS, MS, or US see details
	Early Dismissal or combination – See details for division and specifics
	First Day of School – See details for specifics

August/September 2026						
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February 2027						
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June 2027						
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Key Dates



Find all Bear Creek events are listed on our website calendar:
www.tbcs.org/calendar

- **Classroom allocations** published August 26
- **One-on-Ones:** Aug. 31, Sept. 2, Sept. 3
- **Little Grizzly Play Dates:** Aug. 31, Sept. 2, Sept. 3
- **Parents and Pastries:** September 8
- **First Day of Preschool:** September 8 or 9
- **Inside Bear Creek:** September 10
- **Preschool Back-to-School BBQ:** September 12
- **Preschool Connection:** September 14
- **Preschool Curriculum Night:** September 22
- **Preschool Individual Picture Day:** September 22-24



Sample Preschool Daily Schedule

All classes meet from **8:45 AM to 11:45 AM**

8:30 AM – 8:50 AM	Drop-off
8:45 AM	Opening activity
9:00 AM	Circle time
9:15 AM	Science/Social Studies/Art
9:30 AM	Math
10:15 AM	Recess
10:30 AM	Snack and bathroom
10:45 AM	Reading stations
11:15 AM	Music/Bible
11:30 AM – Noon	Class ends/Pick-up



Parent Representatives/Mentors

2026 – 2027

- P3 Classes:
 - Alysha Bidwell
 - Erica Hodges
- P4 Classes:
 - Chelsea Moore
 - Joelle Bekke
- P5 Classes:
 - Brittanie McCahill



Key Contacts

- New Families
 - Through early July use the New Parent Portal to update household details and pay tuition
 - In July, receive access to Magnus Health through the full Parent Portal
- Directory on the website, calendar, all this information:
 - www.tbcs.org/academics/preschool
- Key Contacts
 - Rachael Urban, Division Head | rurban@tbcs.org
 - Kali Bailey, Division Assistant | kbailey@tbcs.org
 - Anne Nsimbi, Office Assistant | ansimbi@tbcs.org
 - Alternative for attendance communication | attendance@tbcs.org



Home

The Bear Creek School: Parent Portal

Upcoming

MON - AUG 4	TUE - AUG 5	WED - AUG 6	THU - AUG 7	FRI - AUG 8

Unread messages 13

My Household

My Profile Billing Account

My Children

Info Reports Links

Classes & Reports Daily Schedule Recent Updates Assignments

CURRENT LOCATION (Summer)

Info Reports Links

Parent Resources

Health Portal

Attendance

Lunchtab

Vidigami

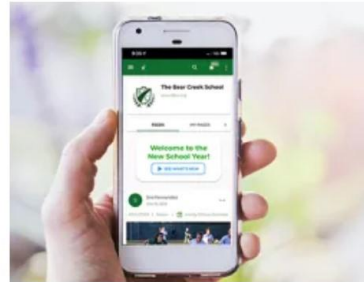
School Directories

MyBC/Parents

www.tbcs.org/mybc/parents contains a wealth of information.

Use your Bear Creek username (usually firstname.lastname) and password to access:

- Parent Portal (update contact information, pay tuition)
- Back-to-School Registration is emailed in early July. At that time, new parents received access the Magnus Health portal through the New Parent Portal.



Password Protected

Parent Portal (also Admissions and New Parent Portals)

Magnus Health (Read login instructions.)

Photos, Videos, and Streaming

Library Book Holds

Family Handbook

Axis



Communications

Attendance

The Bear Facts

Microsoft Office 365

Archived Email Updates

Upper School Announcements

Senior Class

Emergency Notifications



Logistics

Class Lists

Daily Schedules

Drop-off/Pick-up

Food Services

Forms

Health Services

New Student Information

Parking

MyBC/Parents

All the information and links covered in this presentation are listed on your New Student Information page.

Please visit this page often:

www.tbcs.org/mybc/parents/new-students/preschool



Health Information



- **Back-to-School Registration**
 - Complete medical records and listing of allergies or emergency medications
 - Upload immunization records
 - Emergency and authorized pickup contacts
 - Complete background check to volunteer
- Students learn self-help skills like washing hands and using the restroom
- Snacks are provided by the preschool
- Nut aware

Immunization Requirement

- The Bear Creek School is required by State law to ensure all students are compliant with current immunization requirements or have an appropriate exemption. On or before the first day of attendance, **medically verified immunization records** must be uploaded to the health portal. Children cannot attend school until these records are provided. If your child is on a delayed schedule, submit a Certificate of Exemption (requires doctor's signature).
- *New parents will receive instructions for submitting immunization records in the health portal with Back-to-School Registration in July. We cannot accept any forms that have been mailed, emailed, or dropped off.*
- If your child has an August or early September birthday, please let the school nurse know when your child's doctor appointment is scheduled and plan to upload the required documents at that time. Don't stress about the early August due date.



Communication



- School
 - *The Bear Facts* weekly newsletter emailed on Fridays and always available on the website
- Division
 - Preschool Update from Division Head sent monthly via email and posted online
- Classroom
 - Each class has its own Team
 - Teacher will post messages on Teams
 - Weekly newsletter on Teams page and then pushed to your email
 - Direct teacher communications in student's private channel or via email.
 - Teams accounts are activated at the end of August after class lists are published

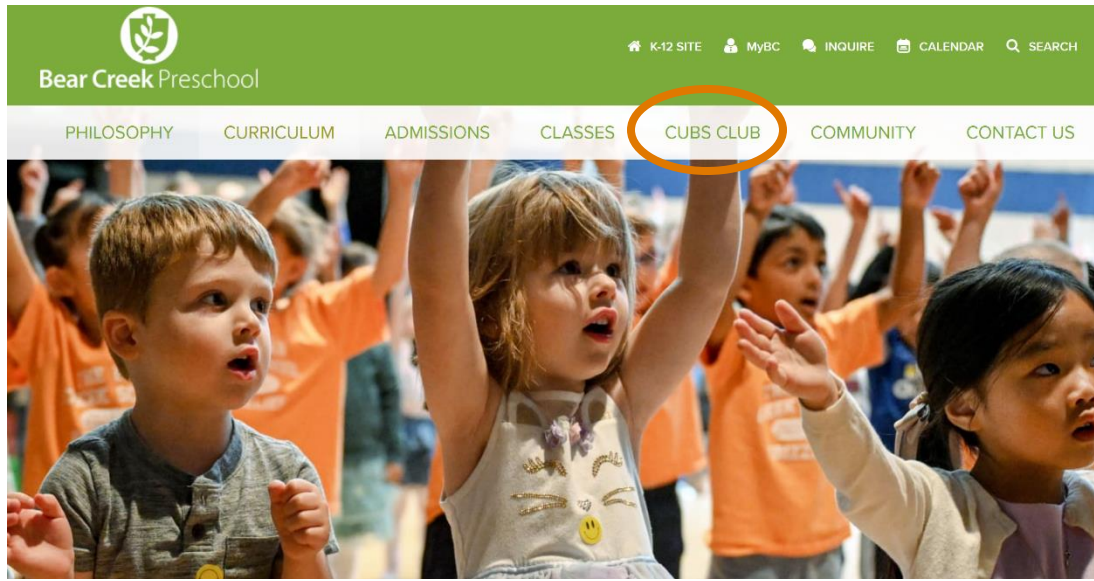
Cubs Club

- Cubs Club classes extends the day from 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM
- Cubs Club registration opens August 10, and classes start September 14
- No Cubs Club during first week of school to help students transition into new year
- First come, first served—classes have maximum capacities
- Examples of Cubs Club classes are:
 - Bible Buddies
 - Music and Movement
 - Spanish
 - Literature and Lunch
 - Little Grizzly Art
 - Smart with Art
 - Soccer
 - And a few more....



Cubs Club

- Registration opens August 10
- **www.bearcreekpreschool.org** > Cubs Club
- Scroll down to view the Cubs Club catalog or Register
- Registration only complete once payment is made.



[BROWSE CATALOG](#)

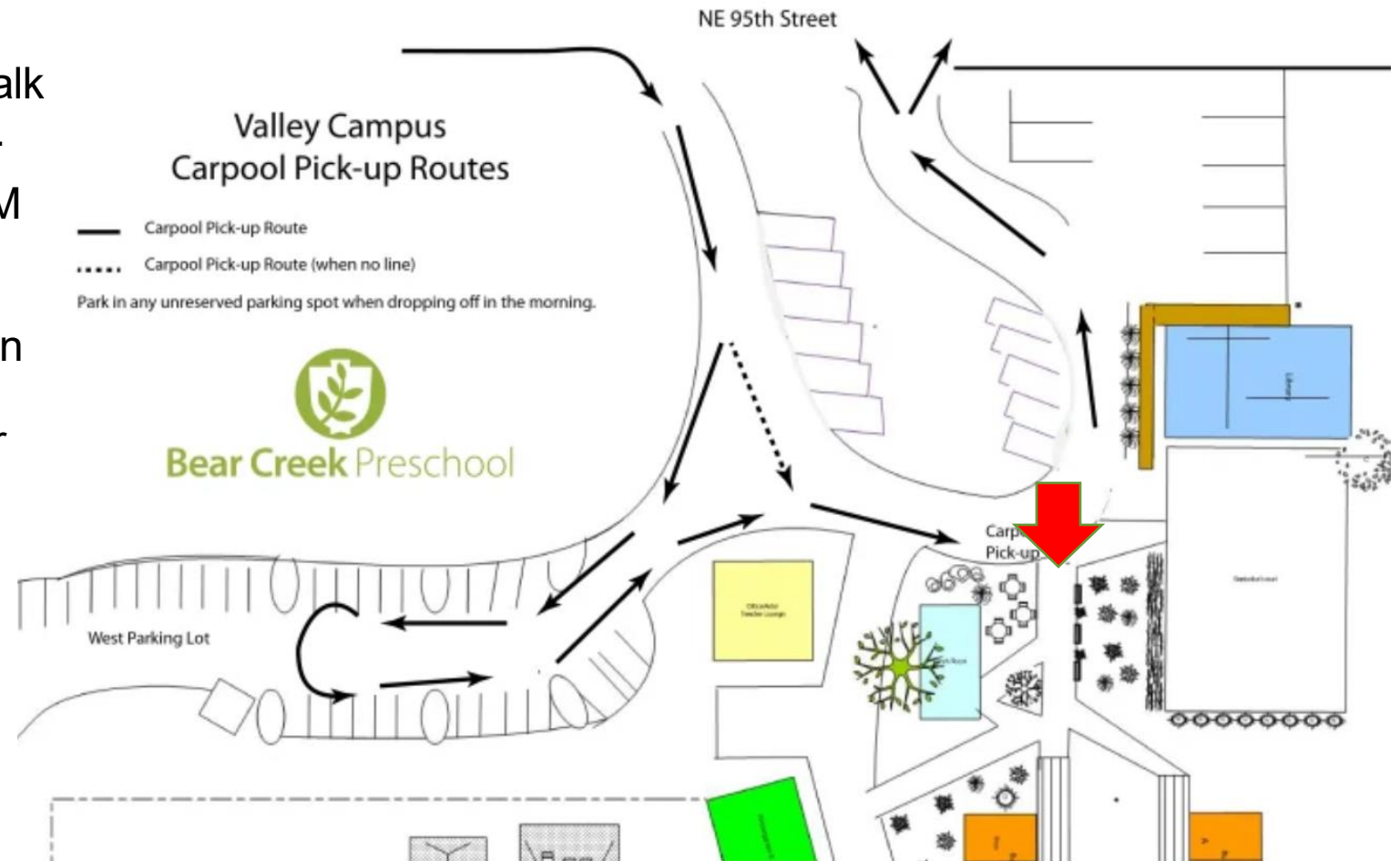
Please browse the catalog for details our Cubs Club offerings for each grade level:

[REGISTER](#)

Registration for Cubs Club 2023 – 2024 opens on August 7 at 9:00 a.m. Classes will run September 11, 2023 – May 31, 2024.

Parking, Drop-off, and Pick-up

- In the morning, parents park and walk their children to the classroom door.
- Gates open from 8:30 AM – 8:50 AM
- Classroom doors open at 8:30 AM
- At the end of the day, parents stay in their cars, and we use a carpool system to bring students out to their cars. Carpool name signs will be distributed in September.



Carpool Signs

P3

**Max
Liu**
Mrs. Files

Please put this sign on front dashboard of car to facilitate a smooth and quick pick-up process.

Student Pick-Up Guidelines

- Please post this sign on dashboard every day.
- It is safest when your child's car seat is on the passenger side of the vehicle. If possible, please have that be the location of your child's car seat.
- We will need your assistance in buckling your child.
- Please remain in your car if possible.
- While cars line up, please leave a space so that all intersections and driveways are left open
- Email teacher or minette.williams@tbc.org with unique pick-up permissions
- As cars are moving forward, please pull up as far as you can to help us clear congestion areas for parking lots.

Traffic Flow for Cars: Cars line up by the main gate and along the sidewalk that runs along the gate. The pick-up location is at the Main gate of campus. While waiting, please pull as far forward as possible to alleviate congestion.



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P4

**Morgan
Paul**
Mrs. Hodges

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**Scott
Young**
Mrs. Finlan

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Supply List

- Boots
- Change of clothes in a Ziploc bag with your child's name on the Ziploc bag
 - Pants
 - Shirt
 - Underwear
 - Socks



Q & A



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We are so glad you are part of
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Please take some bubbles!





Bear Creek Preschool

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