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**School Closed
Monday September 6th
For Labor Day**

**Attention Parents
Please do not block
the turnaround
area by the breeze-
way. The Fire
Department must
have access at all
times.**

Muffins With Mom

**Transition, K, 1-5th Grade on
Wednesday September 29th at 8:30am**



It's time for "Muffins With Mom"!

Take advantage of this great way to 'start your morning right'! Just accompany your child to the Atrium at 8:30 am and enjoy some quality time with your child over a muffin and some juice! Your child's teacher will be there to greet you.

There will not be a car-rider line on this morning.

Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night!

*Monday September 13th, 6:00—8:00 pm
At HWY 249 & Jones Rd.*

Come join us for family night — the cow will be there doing the Hokey Pokey & the Chicken Dance!

**DINE IN and DRIVE THRU BREAKFAST and from 6-8pm
*Be sure to put, or ask at the window to have your receipts
placed in the Windwood Box at the end of the counter.***

2010 Scholastic Book Fair

Sept. 21st—24th

Make plans to come and join us for our Fall Book Fair.

Book Fair dates and times will be Tuesday, Sept. 21st to Thursday, Sept 23rd from 8:00 am to 10:00am and 1:00-3:30pm. And Friday, Sept. 24th from 8:00-10:00am only.

Volunteers are an important part of the book fair — we couldn't do it without you! Even if you can only give a couple of hours — it would mean so much!

***Please call Debbie Atnip at 281-378-4080
or stop by the desk if you can help!***



“Healthy” Notes

At The Adventure Programs, we want our classes to have the healthiest environment possible. As we all know, the best way to prevent illness is to prevent exposure. In order to keep our classes “healthy” *you must keep your child at home if he/she has had any of the following symptoms within the past 24 hours: Diarrhea, vomiting, or fever.*

If your child becomes ill at school, they will be isolated and you or your designated representative will be called to pick up your child. **We expect your child to be picked up within a 30-45 minute time frame.** Make sure that your contact telephone numbers in your child’s records are current.

Box Tops for Education!

Remember, through **General Mills Box Tops for Education Program**, for every box top you cut out our school gets 10 cents. These box tops can be found on many products you probably already buy for your family, including Cheerios and other **General Mills** cereals. In addition, you will see ‘special offers’ throughout the year where you can earn additional points for our school! A full list of qualifying products and additional information can be found at www.boxtops4education.com. Box Tops will be collected from Sept.27th thru Oct.22nd. Collection sheets will be sent home Sept.27th.

Thank you for your support!



2010 Adventure Preschool & Windwood Christian Academy Magazine Drive

This drive will raise funds to benefit our students! Last year was a tremendous success, and we are asking for your support once again! Our goal for each student is just 3 orders!



Family & Friends from across the country can support our school in three ways:

1. You can fill out the Reach Out Postcard Booklet (7 completed postcards). These addresses will be used in a one-time mailing to solicit orders. For your participation in this, we will have a drawing to win \$100.00 off one month’s tuition (*one winner*). See the Reach Out booklet prizes on the back of the Magazine Drive letter. Postcards must be turned in by Wednesday, September 15th to be eligible for the drawings.
2. By going to the on-line store at www.store.fundraiser.com and then enter **440669** for our school and also the name of the student they are supporting. Items purchased on-line by September 17th will count toward student prizes. This fundraiser is available all year on-line — so let everyone know that they can order at any time and the school will still get credit for the sales.
3. In addition, you may sell from the catalog — and have friends and family renew current subscriptions. There will be cumulative prizes for the level of sales starting with 1 and going to 35 orders. **All orders are due by Friday, September 17th.**



Please do not leave your valuables in your car !
We have had several cars broken into and purses and other items stolen over the last few months.

From the Principal's Office . . .

It is hard to believe! It has been such an exciting year we leave behind. Our Parent-School Organization was busy indeed. Following the Campus Improvement Plan for 2009-10, they added some fantastic after school clubs for the students, and our fabulous library moms added many new wonderful books to our library and read to our students as they came to the library. The PSO also initiated an enthusiastic publicity committee who worked on numerous events, and we had one talented mother volunteer to get an Art Program going for the students. We were thrilled when one of our fathers arranged for a Friday lunch program which was appreciated by students and staff alike. A School Store on wheels hit the boardwalk at lunch time with healthy snacks for those students wanting to supplement their lunches with crackers and peanut butter, a cheese stick or a fruit cup (Our students are well-fed).

We are now looking forward to another exciting year during our "Extreme Make-Over." Some dates to put on your calendar would be:

The Curriculum Explosion on September 16th at 6:30pm will feature the teachers in their classrooms showing you the textbooks and other resources which will be implemented.

A Handbook Review with a question-answer session will be held by the Principal on September 9th at 8:30am for all of our new parents. You will have the opportunity to meet the parents of your child's friends at school.

Lastly, but very important, put September 23rd at 6:30pm on your calendar for the first Parent-School Organization meeting of the year. (That would be our version of PTA.)

We look forward to meeting each and every one of you. Hopefully, our new part-time teacher whom we hired to teach Math, grades second through fifth, will be able to attend. We feel she will greatly enhance your child's education.

We are most excited to be entering a new school year.

Julie Cox

Tuition Notes

Tuition is due the first week of each month. If paying by cash, please have the correct tuition amount as we do not have access to bills to make change. If paying by check, please make the check out to "TAPS" and put your child/children's names in the memo section. Thank you for your cooperation.

Cookie Dough Fundraiser

WHAT? We are selling **Delightful Choices** Cookie Dough, Lava Cakes, Auntie Anne's Breadsticks, and Pumpkin, Carrot and Chocolate Rolls this year for our fundraiser! See the flyer coming home with your student for more details.

WHY? To help provide funds to put a traffic light at the main church entrance for the safety of all our families. Please help us reach our goal!

WHEN? Sale begins **Monday, September 13th**
Orders and money are due on **Monday, September 27th**
Delivery Date is:
Tuesday, November 9th for all WCA classes
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: TAPS

1. Collect money when orders are taken. No sales tax.
2. Please use blue or black ink and complete all information on your form.
3. **Do not** allow children to sell door to door unless you are with them.
4. Show brochure to family, friends, co-workers, church members, and neighbors that you know.



Turn in order forms to the Academy office.

Safe Shoes For School



Please have your children wear tennis shoes to school. Sandals, cowboy boots, flip flops, crocs etc., while fun to wear, are not appropriate for wear on the playground equipment and for Fit n' Fun activities where children are running and playing and can be tripped up by shoes that do not stay on properly. This is for your child's safety. Questions on this policy can be directed to the office — and is also covered in your School Handbook.

Kid's Night Out News!



Kid's Night Out (KNO) is Under Construction!

**The first Kid's Night Out will be held on Friday December 10th
in time for Christmas Shopping,
additional information to follow.**

Before & After Care Information

Please note that if your child will be attending the Before Care Program that he/she will need to be dropped off in Rooms C107 or C115 in the Preschool building. **Children MUST BE escorted in and signed in by a parent or guardian.** The Before Care Staff will transport the children to their classrooms at 8:45 am — so, if you arrive to early morning care after that time — please take your child directly to their classroom.



Academy Students will be in the Journey Room (Gym) until 4:30pm (all ages will be the Preschool building after 4:30pm). If your child is registered for the extended care program that ends at 4:30 pm or 6:00pm we ask that you make arrangements to pick them up on time. **Be aware that you will be charged a late pick-up fee of \$1 per minute for each minute past the pick up time.**

Thank you for your cooperation! We look forward to a wonderful year! If you have any questions, please feel free to call Janice Melcher at 281-378-4080.

Looking for a GREAT JOB?

Want a great job where YOU make a difference in lives of children and their families? Want a fun place to work where you are considered a VALUABLE addition to a team? Come join us at The Adventure Preschool or The Windwood Christian Academy (must be a degreed teacher for The Academy) as a SUBSTITUTE TEACHER!



As a SUBSTITUTE TEACHER — you would fill in when one of our regular staff members has to be out due to illness or other circumstances. All that is required is a love for children and a willingness to work with them! Substitutes must have a full background check which includes fingerprinting. For more information — contact the school office.