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WACA PARENT & FAMILY MEMO

“We must work the works of Him Who sent Me and be busy with His business while it is daylight; night is coming on, when no man can work.”

-John 9:4, *Amplified Version*

Dear Parents and Families-

The scripture above emphasizes the importance of working the harvest while it is day. Day literally means while the sun is out, visibility is high and our energy levels are at their peak. This past week, the collective works of the teaching faculty, parent board, and extended family and friends has meant a fun-filled time for our students at Wheeler Avenue Christian Academy. Last week's Fall Festival was a tremendous success! There were dozens of parents, family members and PTO board who came to volunteer to run our many booths – from the moonwalk to Pumpkin Toss to Harvest Bowling. Thanks to each of you who sacrificed your work or off day to join us! We would also like to thank each family who donated food and supplies to ensure all of our students enjoyed a ton of goodies. Your generosity and gifts did not go unnoticed. Your giving continued as we ventured to Hockley, Texas for our annual all school fall field trip. Parents caravanned and rode the bus with us to and fro to ensure we had a strong chaperone presence. As we enter November and the holiday season, I encourage each of us to find ways to exercise the works and generosity of our God. You may do so today by bringing in canned food items *only* as we continue our food drive for donations to Manna House.

-Ms. Singleton

School Pictures *ACTION REQUIRED*

Picture day is **HERE** and order forms are attached to this memo! Teddy Bear Portraits will be on campus Wednesday, November 2nd & Thursday, November 3rd at 8:00 AM to photograph the children for fall pictures. Students may wear their Sunday's Best or whatever you would like for them to be photographed in. Pictures will be ready to view and order on both days between 3:00 – 6:00 PM. After placing your order, pictures should arrive in approximately two weeks.

Infants – Pre-K2	Wednesday, November 2 nd
Pre-K3 – Second Grade	Thursday, November 3 rd
Sibling photos may be taken on either day. Please let the front office staff know what day your children will take photos.	

November Calendar *INFORMATION ONLY*

Accompanying this week's memo is our November Calendar and lunch menu. Due to Thanksgiving Holiday, this month will certainly breeze by! Please mark your calendars with all of the important events and school closures. Thanksgiving Dinner will be held November 22nd at 11:00 AM. Cost per person is \$10. Please look for forms to come home next week.

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Canned Food Drive Update*ACTION REQUIRED*

Below is an update of the current count of canned foods collected:

Infants	Toddler I	Toddler II	Pre-K2	Pre-K3	Pre-K4	Kindergarten	1 st /2 nd Grade
0	0	0	1	68	0	4	0

It is not too late to get your canned goods *only* in for our annual donation. We are collecting items until Friday, November 18th. Our pizza party for our winners is scheduled for Wednesday, November 30th.

Literacy Night Follow-Up *INFORMATION ONLY*

Thanks again to the droves of families that came out for our Fall Literacy Night! The votes were cast, the ballots have been counted, and the winner of the *favorite President book* is...SPLAT THE CAT FOR PRESIDENT! The books are currently being ordered and are on the way. Remember, every child who attended Literacy Night will receive a copy. Be on the lookout for your very own Splat the Cat if you joined us last month.

Afterschool Childcare *INFORMATION ONLY*

We have been assessing fees for our afterschool childcare for the past two weeks. Since that time, we have seen a remarkable improvement in timeliness and punctuality. Thanks to each of you who have ensured your children are picked up before 6:00PM! We would also like to thank those who have called if they will be late and will need afterschool childcare. Next week, we will issue invoices for any late fees accumulated the last two weeks of October. We thank you, in advance, for ensuring you remain in good financial standing.

Report Cards *INFORMATION ONLY*

Our Academy students in grades Kindergarten – 2nd Grade have worked extremely hard this first nine weeks. On Monday, October 31st, they will receive their first 9 weeks report cards. Some teachers will be asking for parent conferences to explain your student's progress and steps you can take at home to continue to support them academically. Please work to schedule time to meet with your child's teacher if you have any questions about his/her report card. Also this month, toddlers through Pre-K4 will be receiving their first trimester report card. More information to come regarding their data.

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