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WESTLAKE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Academy News

Second Annual Eagle Flight & Silent Auction

May 6, 2005, WCA will be holding its Second Annual Silent Auction on the evening of Eagle Flight. Thank you to Kris Fabrie, Laurie Hogenkamp, and Janice Nicholson, for volunteering to help us with this very important effort! We are in need of a few more parents who would be interested in beginning the planning process for this fun and not-to-be-missed school event. Please contact Nancy Kent, (847) 856-1559 or Cami VanDixhorn (847) 543-4273 if you can lend some time.

Music Booster Meeting

Come one, come all... join us for our Music Booster Meetings. They are held at W.C.A. at 7 pm in the library. Join us April 12! Hope to see you there!

Welcome to the Team!

A hearty welcome to Terry Watt as she joins our Lunch Room Team. If you feel the desire to become part of this wonderful team please call Lisa VanderMeer @ 847-838-6755

Cookbooks!

The WCA cookbooks are here!! You may purchase them in the school office at from 8:00 am-3:30 pm. The cost is \$12.00. Any questions call Lois Hamann at 847-662-3708.

Progress Reports

Progress reports were due Friday, February 25th . If you have not already done so, please turn in your signed progress report to your student's homeroom teacher .

Extra, Extra! Read All About It: We need a volunteer to inform newspapers of special events, chapels, sports times and scores, etc.

Experience Westlake!

Invite your friends and neighbors to **Experience Westlake**. It's a special time to visit with our Principal, Mr. Barkhurst, as well as, tour the school and experience first hand the mission of Westlake Christian Academy.

Upcoming Dates for Experience Westlake

Thursday, March 10th,
9:00-10:30 am
Thursday, April 7th,
7:00-9:00 pm

Thank You!

A big thank you to all of you who called and inquired about helping with doing the laundry from the nurse's office. The position has been filled by Edy Landa. Thank you Edy!

"Teach us to number our days aright that we may gain a heart of wisdom." Ps. 90:12

J. Bruce Barkhurst, Principal

Re-enrollment Deadline!

Don't forget to reserve your child(ren)'s place at Westlake Christian Academy for the next school year. Please complete your re-enrollment forms and return them with applicable fees no later than Friday, March 11, to the school office.

Also, we understand the financial sacrifices you make for your child(ren) to attend WCA. In order to assist you, Westlake offers several programs to help you offset the expense of tuition. They are: 1) The Referral Program -This provides tuition credit for families who bring another family to WCA. A \$500 tuition credit will be given to families with one child and \$750 credit for families with more than one child. 2) The Scrip Program - As you know Westlake buys gift certificates at a discounted rate and then resells them at face value. The schools' discount from your total purchases will go toward reducing your tuition expense. 3) The Tuition Assistance Program is a need based program. Secure an application from the office, complete it and return it at re-enrollment. Don't Delay, Return your re-enrollment

Important Dates to Remember

- Experience Westlake Thursday, March 10, 9:00-10:30 am*
- ACSI Music Festival @ Judson College, March 11-12*
- Re-Enrollment packets due March 11th.*
- Elementary Musical Tuesday, March 15, @ Living Waters Church*
- Half Day Friday, March 18, Term 3 ends*
- Northwestern Solo & Ensemble Contest @ Northwestern University March 19th.*

Westlake Christian Academy's Mission Statement:

To provide for Christian families a Christ-centered education that challenges students to honor Jesus Christ in thought, word and deed.

American Soldier Helps Iraqi Children

YOU CAN TOO!

Second Lieutenant Scott Nelles, a strong Christian in the US Army, is currently stationed in the ancient city Ur of the Chaldees in southern Iraq. He is a good friend of the Jeffers family and he recently wrote:

“We are currently doing medical missions, and our Battalion is also building schools. The people here are very poor, but they actually like us; so we go out and interact with them. Many of the children don’t have shoes, and their clothes are tattered. If you have extra shoes or clothing that you can send, my battalion and I will personally give them to these families.”

If you wish to donate shoes/clothing, toys, or school supplies for these Iraqi children, please drop them off in Mrs. Jackson’s (3rd grade) room by March 18th. There is also a need for funds to cover shipping costs.

For more information, contact April Jeffers at 847-265-9006.

From the Business Manager

LAND'S END GIFT CARDS

We still have an abundant supply of Land's End Gift Cards that are discounted at 15%. So, if you had wanted to purchase \$100 worth of uniforms, it would only cost you \$85 (not including tax and shipping). Please come to the main office to purchase them.

VOLUNTEER FEE REMINDER

Please remember to get your volunteer hours in. (If you are mechanically or electrically inclined, I've got a few projects you might want to ask about.) In these last months of the school year, if you have fulfilled your requirement, you will have the option to have your paid fee credited towards your remaining tuition or other special arrangements. If you have any questions regarding this, please send me an email and when you do come in to volunteer, please remember to use the Volunteer Sign In Sheet in the main office. Thanks for your service.

THINGS TO REMEMBER ABOUT RE-ENROLLMENT

There are 3 methods of tuition payments 1.) One Payment made in full on August 1st, 2005, 2.) Two Payments made August 1, 2005 and January 1, 2006, and 3.) Twelve (12) monthly payments made by automatic withdrawal from a checking or savings account on the 1st or 15th of the month beginning June 2005. It is important that we receive your Authorization for Automatic Withdrawal to begin in a timely manner. When submitting your paperwork for re-enrollment, please make sure to have a separate check made out to WCA with "Re-enrollment 05-06" in the memo field. Thanks for your cooperation!

From the Office

Re-enrollment!!

By now everyone should have received their Re-enrollment packets. Take advantage of the savings by returning your re-enrollment paperwork to the office no later than March 11th!

Parent Sign-in

Parents are always welcome at Westlake. However, parents please note that for security purposes, if you will be in the school for reasons other than dropping off or picking up children, please sign in at the school office. Thank you!

Testing

Parents, please note that we will begin **Stanford Achievement Testing for 1st through 9th grades on Monday, April 11th—Friday, April 15th.** If you would not schedule appointments or vacations during this time it would be greatly appreciated. Please remind your children to get plenty of rest and to eat a nutritious breakfast during testing week. Students need to be able to concentrate so they can do their very best on their tests. Thank you for your help and cooperation!!

End Of The Year Notes!

**May 6 - Eagle Flight during school day
Silent Auction 6-9 pm**

May 23-27 - HS Finals

May 26 - Kindergarten Graduation 7 PM

May 27 - 1/2 Day Last Day of Classes
- Elementary Honors 8:45-10:15 AM
- 8th Grade Recognition 10:30-11:30 AM
- 7th-12th Honors 10:30-11:30 AM
- High School Graduation 7 PM
@ Lakeland Evangelical Free Church
in Gurnee

June 8 - Report Cards mailed home if all fees paid