Eastern Christian Elementary School Home Bulletin



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Next Week at a Glance:

Mon., Sept. 19: TRIP due at any school office by 9am

Tues., Sept. 20: 8:30am – Who is God – Truth – Ms. Karyn Baitzel

Wed., Sept. 21: Snack Day – Carrot sticks - \$.50

Thurs., Sept. 22: Back to School Night – see message below

Message from the Principal, Mrs. Sandra Bottge:

Next week Thursday, September 22, we will host Back to School Night for preschool and elementary school parents from 6:45-8:30. We ask that parents come to school without their children for Back to School Night. Parents will meet in the gym beginning at 6:45 for important information, announcements and introductions of staff members. After the meeting in the gym, we will offer two sessions for parents to meet with various teachers. Session one will run from 7:20-7:50. Session two will run from 8:00-8:30. The following three options will be available during both sessions:

- **CLASSROOM SESSION:** Classroom teachers will introduce themselves and describe classroom expectations, curriculum, homework, etc.
- **OWL'S NEST SESSION:** Our resource room teachers will share information about our Owl's Nest program and the support services we offer at Eastern Christian.
- **SPECIALS SESSION:** Specials teachers will share brief presentations about the classes your child will participate in this year. Specials include: Art, Computers, Library, Music, Phys. Ed. /Health.

We're looking forward to meeting with you at Back to School Night. Please keep in mind that teachers will not be able to have private, individual meetings with parents at Back to School Night. Parent Teacher conferences will be held in early November. If you feel the need to meet with a teacher before that time, please call the office and we would be happy to arrange a conference with your child's teacher.

Mark Your Calendars:

Oct. 3 & 4: Preschool Pictures

Oct. 4: PTO Meeting – immediately following chapel

Fri., Oct. 7: No School – Teacher In service Mon., Oct. 10: No School – Columbus Day

Morning Playground Volunteers: We're looking for a few more volunteers to help with Morning Playground Duty this semester. If you're able to help, please return the signup sheet you received in your child's information packet. Stop in the front office if you need a replacement, or contact Ken Ritsma (kenritsma@gmail.com) with any questions.

PTO News:

- **First PTO Meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, October 4 immediately following chapel. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact PTO President, Mrs. Lynette Matthews at espto@easternchristian.org.
- **Kidstuff Coupon Books Fundraiser:** Orders and payment are due by Monday, Sept. 26. Checks can be made out to ECES PTO. Thank you for your continued support.
- Wednesday Collaboration Volunteers: If you are available to help out once a month on a Wednesday from 11:55am 12:20pm to cover your child's class during lunch, please contact Linda at lindavangrouw@easternchristian.org. Thank you.

- **Box Tops for Education:** Please look for the baggies being sent home in Friday folders to collect Box Tops.
- Please find us on Facebook @ ecespto.

EC Swag Shop needs your help! We'd love to have a swag table at the ECES Back to School Night and need a volunteer to manage sales. Most of our volunteers are working a soccer game that night. If you can help at ECES on Thursday evening, 9/22, please contact Amy Brooks at 973-978-4339.

Eastern Christian School Association's Board of Directors regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 20, 2016, 7:30PM (open session) at the Eastern Christian Middle School (Media Center). In accordance with the provisions of the school's Acceptable Use Policy, this meeting will serve as our annual public hearing - at which the Board will receive any public community input on its internet safety policy. (Note: To attend an ECSA Board meeting, visitors should be one or more of the following: A Member of the Association, a staff member of an Association school, a parent of a child enrolled in an Association school or a student of an Association school.)

EC's First Community Nights game is THIS FRIDAY! 6:00 PM at Willow Field in North Haledon vs. Manchester High School. We will have food and EC swag available for purchase. All EC families and friends are invited to join us. Come and cheer our boys' soccer team on to victory!