

WCA Elementary Parent Paper

Sept./Oct. 2009



September Calendar

1 - 7 Fees due at the bank
3 NO School - Teachers' Retreat
16 Sept. - 3 Oct. Eid, Durga Puja break

October Calendar

International Month

1 - 7 Fees due at the bank
4 School resumes
5, 6, 7 Open Houses for Kg-2 - Class 5
(See schedule below)

Open House

Parents and teachers need to work together to give our students the very best education. In order to share our goals for the coming year with you we have set aside special times for you to meet with your student's teachers. This is a valuable opportunity to find out what will be expected of your child in their new class.

Please be prompt and go directly to your student's classroom on the proper date and at the appointed time. See you there!

5 Oct., Monday	3:00	Class Kg-2
5 Oct., Monday	4:00	Class 5
6 Oct., Tuesday	3:00	Class 1
6 Oct., Tuesday	4:00	Class 2
7 Oct., Wednesday	3:00	Class 3
7 Oct., Wednesday	4:00	Class

BOOKBAGS

Bookbags are available from the school store if your child needs a new one. The small size costs 350 taka and the large size for classes 4 & 5 costs 450 taka.

Your child should take the money to the school office before school begins in the morning to purchase a new bag.



Welcome Back!

Maintaining the same teaching faculty each year gives WCA good stability, so we are delighted to welcome back our returning teachers. In addition, we are excited to welcome Miss Elyse Fye back to WCA. Miss Elyse did her student teaching here last fall; then went back to America and graduated from Cedarville University. When the need for a WCA Class 2 teacher arose, she was eager to return to WCA and fill that empty slot on our teaching staff. Thanks, Miss Elyse, for your enthusiastic willingness to be a part of our teaching team again this year!

We also welcome back Mr. Nathan Thomas, our music teacher. He will begin teaching music in classes 1 - 5 this week! There will be more announcements regarding our Music Department coming soon.

Tips from Teachers

1. Sleep for school. Setting up a regular bedtime and wake-up routine for your student is very important. School is draining—both physically and mentally. Students need 8+ hours of sleep every night AND a good breakfast!

2. Talk it out. Ask your child about his/her school day. It shows that you value their education. Ask specific questions about their work.

3. Bring it home. Help your child with the homework. Don't do the work for them, but show an interest in it and help them manage their time so they can complete it. Sign the diary daily! Display projects your child has done around your home.

4. Read, read, read. Reading with your child is an invaluable way to spend quality time together on a daily basis. There are many short-term, as well as long-term, benefits to reading.

5. Connect. Communicating with your child's teacher is essential. Teachers appreciate knowing when someone in the family has moved, someone close to the child is very sick, or other things that will affect the student emotionally, physically, or academically. It helps a teacher understand how the student is behaving in class and how she can best help him/her cope with these changes throughout the day.

Welcome Back to school!