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All School Field Trip

We are excited to be going on a family field trip to Apple Annie's Orchard in Willcox on October 30th. We will leave the school at 8:00 and return around 1:30 or 2:00. Preschool children must have an adult with them in order to attend. We will need parent drivers to help transport children. If you would like to meet us at the farm, please arrive by 9:30. We will need to get organized, counted, and enter as a group. Please send your child with a lunch. There are no concessions at the farm. The cost for the field trip is \$8.00 for adults or any additional children. This cannot be added to your account so please pay in advance. A permission slip will be going home with your child soon. Please make sure you fill it out and return it by the deadline.

39th ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL

Tell your family and friends to join us on Friday, October 25th for our annual Harvest Festival. Activities will include a slide, cake walk, raffle, face painting, games, and snacks. The event begins at 6:30 and ends at 8:30.

The food and games all require tickets. Money will be exchanged only at the ticket booth. Pre-ticket sales will begin Monday, Oct. 7th in the office. Tickets will be four for \$1.00 from Oct. 7th - Oct. 24th. The cost will be three tickets for \$1.00 on the day of the event.

Children (and adults) may dress up for this event if they choose. **No scary or evil costumes please (e.g. witches, devils, ghosts, vampires, etc.).**

Flyers will be available in the office by Oct. 8th for you to pass out to your friends or post anywhere you would like. Please help us spread the word by taking flyers to hang up at businesses as well.

We will need many volunteers for this event. Sign up sheets are on the hallway bulletin board. Any help is appreciated. Thank you!

MANDATORY PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES OCT 17th & 18th

The first nine weeks of school will be over soon. In grades K-6, we schedule **mandatory** parent/teacher conferences for Oct. 17th & 18th. On the 17th, classes will dismiss at 11:30 for grades k-6. Pre-school classes are not affected. (This schedule will also apply for the half day on Oct. 25th.)

We do offer childcare until 5:30 on both half days. Lunch **will not** be served on the half days. If your child will be staying after class, please send a lunch. **Childcare charges begin at 11:30 for all students.**

Please sign up for the conferences in the office starting October 3rd. Remember your child's report card will be issued only at the conference.

CANDY DRIVE BEGINS

Our annual candy drive begins Tuesday, October 1st. The candy is given out as prizes at the Harvest Festival so we will need a very large quantity. The drive is a competition between classes so your child will be reminding you often to send in candy. The top two classes will have an *ice cream party* for bringing in the most candy. Candy is totaled by pound and calculated per capita. A graph will be in the hallway to track the totals. **Please do not send in any gum, pixie sticks, or candy that represents anything scary.**

Thank you for your help!



Chapel Offering

Please do not forget our Compassion International students. We sponsor Jeki (9) from Indonesia and Carlos (10) from Bolivia. We ask each student to please bring 50 cents to chapel each Wednesday. Many of the students are forgetting this. Please help as we teach them the importance of missions. Read about the children we sponsor on the bulletin board in the main hallway. Thank you!



FAMILY FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Please mark your calendars for Thursday, October 17th for our family fellowship night. Stop by Chuck E Cheese between the hours of 11:00 A.M.– 10:00 P.M. and 20% of your purchase will be donated to the school. You must tell the cashier you are from First Southern Christian School in order for our school to get credit. Tell your family and friends to join us!



Join us for a FUN filled night!!

The Paint Night Fundraiser will be on Friday, November 22nd at 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. under the ramada next to the school. Please purchase your tickets in advance at the school office. Cost is \$30 per person.

OUR SCHOOL WILL RECEIVE 50% OF THE PROCEEDS!

SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The Samaritan's Purse "Operation Christmas Child" program will kick off on Oct. 9th. The children will have a special chapel to introduce the event.

Basically, each family will receive a shoebox to fill with small gifts. You can find a complete list of items in the brochure that will go home with your child on the 9th. Please pay close attention to the "**DO NOT INCLUDE**" list which consists of lotion, shampoo, liquids, medication, candy, or glass. If you want to pack more boxes, you can use any regular size shoebox or shoebox size plastic container with lid.



This project blesses so many children around the world. Please feel free to join us on the 9th to watch the precious video that explains the event.

Thank you in advance for your help!

Hearing Screening

The children in kindergarten thru sixth grade will have their hearing checked on Tuesday, October 8th. There will be a re-screening in November for any students who did not pass the first time. If your child does not pass the second time, you will receive a notice to have a further evaluation.

First Southern Baptist Church Fall Festival will be Thursday, October 31st from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Bring the whole family. There will be games, snacks, jumping castle, candy and more! This is a free event.

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Philippians 4:4