SPIRIT WEAR: We are selling "Hope is Here" T-Shirts for \$5 and sweatshirts for \$20. Both are in limited supply and size so get yours while supplies last. Sizes available for T-Shirt – Adult Medium, Adult Large Sizes available for Sweatshirt – Adult XL, Adult 2XL

GRADE REPORTING: Progress Reports for 2nd Quarter will be sent out on Friday, December 3, 2021.

CHEERFUL GIVER: The Cheerful Giver Contest is back!! This year we are giving towards our *Miss Ward Memorial Library*! November 29th through December 17th, students will be asked to bring in their gently used books from home; to give them a new purpose in our school library. We are also taking monetary donations to benefit our new book-nook. Classrooms with the largest percentage of giving will receive a class pizza party!!

SPIRIT WEEK: We will be having our second annual Christmas Spirit Week from December 13-17. This includes our Cheerful Giver and Door Decorating contests which comes with class prizes for our winners. During Spirit Week, we have individual winners for each grade level for best dressed, or most spirited, outfit. The themes this week are:

MONDAY - Twin Day

TUESDAY – Sports/Jersey Day (wear your favorite team/sport's apparel)

WEDNESDAY – Onesie (PJ) Day (Illusionist for Chapel)

THURSDAY - Wacky Tacky Day

FRIDAY – Ugly Christmas Sweater Day (Christmas Movie and Hot Cocoa Bar) ***CBA Staff reserves the right to ask students to return to school uniform if their outfit is deemed inappropriate or a distraction from learning in the classroom, which still is expected to take place.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: The Children's Christmas Program will be held at 9:00am in the church auditorium and include all grade levels this year (K-7). All family members are welcomed to attend, and we will be dismissing from the church immediately after the service (approx. 10:30-10:45am).

CHRISTMAS BREAK: Christmas Break begins on Wednesday, December 22 and runs through Monday, January 3, 2022. Students will be welcome back on Tuesday, January 4.

CLASSDOJO: Parents should be frequently checking ClassDojo for information concerning school closings, important announcements, communication with teachers, and other updates. If you still are not connected to ClassDojo, get with your classroom teacher or the office for help.

ONECALLNOW: The school uses an automated phone messaging system called OneCall Now to reach all parents when there will be weather delays/closings, important

announcements, reminders, or emergencies. If you are not on our current phone list, please call the office to update your contact information so that we may add you.

VOLUNTEERS: We are interested in having parents volunteer to help us. Volunteering is a great way for us to keep costs down plus it allows you to get to know us a little better. Please look on Class Dojo for the volunteer form or contact the office for more information.

INTRODUCING A NEW BIBLE PROGRAM - TEAM KID! It will meet every Sunday night from 5-6 p.m. at the top entrance of the Academy Gym. Each night kids will experience games, crafts, snacks, a Bible lesson, and Bible memorization. TEAM KID is for children in Kindergarten through 6th Grade. This program is sponsored by Central Baptist Church.

FRIDAY JEANS DAYS: Every Friday, staff and students can donate \$1 and wear blue jean pants to school. The money donated will go to school activities, such as field trips, Fall Festival, and more. Students are also encouraged to wear CBA spirit wear for their top, but if they don't have any, they must wear a uniform top with the jeans. The \$1 will be collected by their homeroom teacher. Students who don't donate \$1 will have to remain in uniform.

EDCHOICE CHECKS: EdChoice checks come out every month now. Mrs. Loftis is sending messages through ClassDojo anytime the checks are in and need to be signed. Please check Dojo regularly so you know when to come in and sign your checks. Thank you.

FROM THE NURSE: Make sure that your student is up to date on all the vaccinations for the 2021-2022 school year. Please visit centralbaptistacademy.org for a complete list of those that are required.

WATER BOTTLES: The water fountains are again turned OFF at school this year. We ask that all students bring a water bottle to school to have water at any time they wish.

LUNCH CHARGES: This is a reminder that students are only able to charge up to three meals. Outstanding fees must be paid before they may charge again. Students who have outstanding lunch charges will be given Lunchables, or cheese crackers, if they did not bring their own lunch. Reminder, we can accept payments over the phone.

ABSENCES: If your child is absent from school, please remember to send a written note when he/she returns to school. Also, if you wish to pick up work for your child(ren) when they are absent, please call the office or message the teacher on Dojo.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY: There will be no school on Monday, January 18, 2021 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM: Winter, and possible bad weather, are quickly approaching. This is a reminder that the After-School Program closes at 5:30pm. There is a \$15 late fee if children are picked up between 5:30 and 6:00pm, and it is \$45 if they are picked up after 6:00pm. When you pick up your child, he/she needs to be signed out with the time of pickup recorded. If your child is not signed out, you will be charged the maximum for the day.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

November 29-December 17 – Cheerful Giver competition

December 3 – Progress reports go home

December 13-17 – Spirit Week

December 21 - Children's Christmas Program at 9:00am

December 21 – Last day before Christmas Break; early dismissal at 11:00am

December 22-January 3 – Christmas Break (NO SCHOOL)

January 4 – School resumes at 7:30am

January 17- Martin Luther King, Jr Day (NO SCHOOL)