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IMPORTANT DATES

- ◆ September 5—Labor Day, No School
- ◆ Sep 19-23—ITBS/ITED testing, Gr 3-10
- ◆ September 25—Let's Move Day has been cancelled and will be rescheduled in the spring.

Hopefully, most of you have your power back on now. I know many of you have been inconvenienced this week. We wish you a wonderful holiday reprieve.

TRAFFIC Please continue to keep our children safe by observing both posted and unposted (but reasonable) rules of the road.

BEFORE SCHOOL HOURS Some students are still going to their lockers before 8:00 am. Students arriving before 8:00 must go directly to the gym and remain there until dismissed by Mrs. Shaw, our morning care director.

MUSIC LESSONS Some music teachers have begun scheduling their lessons for this school year. Mr. Eide-Altman has a particularly full load this year and is working hard with teachers to schedule the best time for your child's lesson.

BAND STUDENTS All 5th and 6th grade students who wish to play a band instrument should try to get an instrument by the end of next week. It is advisable to check with Mrs. Peeke before renting an instrument to be sure that it is a good choice for your child. Music and Arts has a great program for beginning students, which allows them to try an instrument for 3 months before making any type of long-term commitment. Simply tell them you are from Atholton Adventist Academy and they will provide you with wonderful service. The upper grades band ensemble will not begin for a couple more weeks. Watch for future announcements.

FIELD TRIP SHIRTS The first shirt order will be placed this weekend. We anticipate the shirts will be in sometime the week of the 19th.

HOT LUNCHES Eighth grade begins its hot lunch program this coming Wednesday, Sep. 7. Burritos are available on Wednesdays and pizza on Fridays. Orders must be in 24 hours before the scheduled meal is served. That means burrito orders are due by noon on Tuesdays and pizza orders are due by noon on Thursdays.

ALEKS Many of our students are pushing ahead in their math achievement. One way to accomplish this is with extra math practice provided by our online math enrichment program called ALEKS. A 10-month subscription may be purchased for \$35. That's only \$3.50/month. Since

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the program is online, it may be accessed from any computer. The math curriculum covers materials for grades 3-10.

Home & School News

We are excited about the activities planned for Atholton Adventist Academy! Please consider becoming a part of Home & School by volunteering. This is a great opportunity to meet new parents and raise funds to enhance our school.

Program Updates:

1. AAA has adopted Hattieville SDA Elementary, Belize, Central America, as our sister school. Hattieville students are in need of shoes and school supplies. Donations of these items can be placed in the marked red boxes located at the office entrance and at end of the hallway by the student backdoor entrance. Our goal is to collect 100 pairs of children's shoes by this November.

2. Home & School will be sponsoring its 1st AAA Spelling Bee! The Co-Chairpersons for this program are Susanna McPhaull and Heba Antwan. We are looking for volunteers to be part of the Spelling Bee committee to help organize this event. If interested please contact me via the school's email or my phone# below.

Thank you for your support and have a wonderful weekend!

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