

Awana Schedule 2009-2010

September	2 9 16 23 30	
October	7 14 21 28	Crazy Hat Day
November	4 11 18 25	Inside Out Day No Awana-Thanksgiving Break
December	2 9 16 23 30	No Awana-Christmas Break No Awana-Christmas Break
January	6 13 20 27	Awana Resumes
February	3 10 17 24	Silly Sock Night
March	3 10 17 24 31	Wild Hair Night No Awana-Spring Break
April	7 14 21 28	Bible Drill
May	5 12 19 26	PJ & Movie Night Awards Night



HANDBOOK 2009-2010



**WEST BRADENTON
BAPTIST CHURCH**

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Nightly Schedule

All Clubs Together

6:15–6:25 Circle Time / Flag Ceremony

Cubbies — Blue Vest

6:25–6:45 Council Time

6:50–7:10 Game Time

7:15–7:45 Handbook & Finish Up

Sparks — Red Vest

6:25–6:45 Sparkie Time (Handbooks)

6:50–7:10 Green Meadow (Council Time)

7:15–7:45 Game Time/Finish

T&T: 3rd & 4th Graders — Green t-shirt

6:25–7:45 Game Time

6:50–7:10 Handbook Time

7:15–7:45 Council Time/Finish

T&T: 5th Graders — Green t-shirt

6:25–6:45 Handbook Time

6:50–7:10 Game Time

7:15–7:45 Council Time/Finish

If you have any questions or concerns about Awana, please call
Kris Reeves 773-9986 or one of the Awana Directors listed below:

Jenny Daugherty 345-5304
Sherry Newby 730-0673

Guidelines to Awana

Our Club has established a few guidelines to ensure that everyone has a safe, enjoyable and orderly environment. All clubbers are expected to follow these guidelines.

1. Respect your fellow club members, as well as all adult leaders. Treat them as you would want to be treated.
2. Stand at attention during presentation of the flags and pledge while at Flag Ceremony Time.
3. Listen for any announcements for special events and activities.
4. Wear your uniform and bring your handbook and Bible every week.
5. Everyone should participate whether playing games, listening, studying, singing, or other activities. All are expected to be involved.
6. Give your dues to your club leader. (\$1.00 each week)
7. When in Game Time, the Game Leader is in complete charge. Your undivided attention should be given to the leader at all times.
8. To participate in Game Time each child must wear tennis shoes and pants, jeans, or long shorts. No dresses.
9. Remain on church property at all times. Also, please take care of the church property and club equipment.
10. Leave all food and drink at home (including gum), except when provided by your club leaders.
11. For the safety of all our members and visitors, **NO** “rollerskate” shoes are allowed at any function which takes place at WBBC.
12. Come to attention and stop talking whenever a leader begins to count to five.
13. Have a good time in every part of our Awana club. Awana is meant to be FUN.

Awana Leaders

Commander: Kris Reeves

WBBC Childrens Ministries: Laila Wilkerson

Cubbies

Directors: Jennie Buckle

Leaders: Heather Gillen

Sparks

Director: Jenny Daugherty

Leaders: Kindergarten – Randy Newby

1st grade – Lisa Jennings

2nd grade – Erin Redmond

Secretary: Lori King

Truth and Training

Director: Sherry Newby

Leaders: 3rd grade – Debbie King

4th grade – Catherine Stewart

5th grade – Brenda Parker

Secretary: Janet Banks

Game Time

Director: Missy & Scot Rubin

Awana Workers and Helpers

A big thank you to the following adults who assist our leaders and help make Awana a fun, safe and exciting place to be on Wednesday nights:

Debbie Spivey

Billy Cox

Joe Kane

Teresa Whalen

Lorie Baxley

Dawn Jones

Loretta Redmond

David Parker

Shane Baxley

Brad Moricz

Belinda Valdez

Carol Spohn

Belinda Francis

Roberta Price

Earl Price

Randy Spivey

Holly Alvarez

Fawn Huttinger

Cynthia Moricz

Skip Blair

Tiffany Gouwens

Marilyn Abbott

Welcome to Awana!

A special thank you is extended to you, the parents, for letting your child come to our Awana club. We have dedicated leaders who are committed to making sure your child has a good time learning and playing. We hope this commitment will encourage you to keep bringing your child to Awana each and every week.

Your child is faced with many difficult decisions each day and thus they need a biblical foundation to help them make the right decisions in their lives. Our Awana club is a Bible-based program, which will help your child establish this foundation. They will be able to apply what they have learned in Awana to their daily lives. The Bible says, in Proverbs 22:6, “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” This is our goal for your child.

The Bible also states in 2 Timothy 2:15, “Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed.” This is the foundation of our Awana club. Your child will establish a relationship with God and continue to grow in and develop good and lasting relationships with others. We encourage you to help your child complete the sections in their handbooks and show them that you have an interest in their accomplishments.

If, at any time, you feel the need to talk, please feel free to contact us. We want to make you and your child feel at ease while attending Awana.

Love in Christ,

Kristine Reeves

Awana Commander

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Parents' Responsibilities

For a child to get the most enjoyment out of a club, parents need to be essential helpers. The following is a checklist to be used as a guide in helping your child:

1. Help your child attend Awana every week. The consistency will help them build relationships and achieve the goals in their handbooks.
2. Make sure your child wears his/her uniform to Awana.
3. Bring your child on time. The club starts promptly at 6:15pm and ends at 7:45pm. Being prompt helps to maintain good discipline.
4. Remember to pay weekly dues of \$1.00 to your child's club leader. Weekly dues are used to help support our local Awana missionary family as well as helping to sponsor another Awana club outside the United States.
5. Help your child prepare for our club each week by spending time with him/her by reading and reviewing handbook material. A brief 15-minute session each day will ensure their success.
6. Attend all major events. Parents are always welcome.
7. Always encourage your child. A child will have more fun when Mom or Dad shows an interest in their accomplishments.
8. Call the Awana Commander, Directors, or Leaders if you have any questions. (See previous page for phone numbers for Kris Reeves, Commander.)

KidsLife Welcome Center

Remember to sign in at The Dock when you arrive. Parents are required to sign their children in – children (including older siblings) are not permitted to sign children in.

Each child will receive a name tag that must be worn while attending Awana and/or children's music groups. Parents receive an identical card that they must use to pick up their child **PROMPTLY** at 7:45pm.

Below are the assigned rooms for Awana:

Cubbies

3-year-olds – B121

4-year-olds – B122

Sparks

Kindergarten – B117

1st grade – B118

2nd grade – B116

T & T

3rd grade – A122

4th grade – A123

5th grade – A118

Thank you for your cooperation in picking your children up promptly from their Awana rooms.

Awana Store

Each week the clubbers earn Awana points, which are saved and then spent on items in our Awana store. Some items included in the store are toys, books, crayons, school and stationery supplies, stuffed animals, trucks, etc. The store is meant to be a motivational tool in the clubber's handbook work. Awana points can be earned in the following ways:

Activity	Points
Attendance	1
Dues	1
Uniform	1
Handbook	1
Bring a Visitor	2
Bible	2
Section	2
Entrance Test	5
Theme Night Participation	5

Rules of eligibility for going to the store:

1. Shopping time is limited to five (5) minutes per clubber.
2. Shopping is permitted during designated times only.

Club Programs

Cubbies

3 and 4 year old preschooler boys and girls
(3-year olds need to be 3 prior to September 1st and must be potty-trained.)

Sparks

Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade boys and girls
(current school year)

Truth & Training

3rd, 4th, and 5th grade boys and girls

Registration & Cost of Materials

The registration and medical forms are crucial to our club and are for your child's protection and safety. Please make sure this form is filled out neatly and completely and returned to the Awana secretary. Thanks to WBBC and its supporting members, we are able to pay many of the costs of running this club and establish an inventory of supplies to ensure that they are available to your child as they are earned.

We will provide the initial book, but uniform must be purchased. Any lost books or uniform will be replaced at cost below.

	Handbook	Uniform
Cubbies	\$10.00	\$10.00
Sparks	\$10.00	\$10.00
T & T	\$10.00	\$13.00

Uniform / Handbook / Bible

The Awana uniform and handbook are important parts of our club program. The uniform displays awards and gives your child a sense of accomplishment. Uniforms are given to clubbers after the completion of the entrance test, which generally takes two to four weeks of club to complete. No awards will be given until the clubber has a uniform on which to display them. Each child should wear the complete uniform each week. A clean and proper uniform helps each clubber feel they are a special part of the club.

The handbook is a source from which your child will learn Bible verses to recite from memory to his/her club leader. The handbook should be brought each week to club even if your child does not have a verse to recite. If your child requires help with a section the leaders will be able to help him/her if the handbook is available.

Another important tool of the Awana club is the Bible. Your child should bring his/her Bible each week. This will enable their leaders help him/her look up verses, do any Bible associated with a section, or just read straight from God's Word. Please **label** all of your child's personal items with their name.

Team Competition

Each night of club all members of each club participate in game time or team contests. Cubbies time is totally non-competitive. Sparks and T&T have four teams with each child assigned a team color. Game time is full of excitement and fun when everyone participates and behaves. Children are expected to present themselves in a spirit of team play. Respect for the Game Leader as well as each team player will be enforced. To participate in game time, your clubber should wear pants, jeans, or long shorts. A small treat is given to the team with the most points at the end of each night.

Awana Awards

Each clubber has the opportunity to earn exciting awards. Certain awards are to be worn on the uniform. After the completion of one or more handbooks a child can earn ribbons, plaques, or trophies, depending on the level of completion. Children are encouraged to work at their own pace and will be guided and helped by their Awana leader. In order for a child to complete a handbook in one year, he/she should have two or three sections/units ready and accomplished per meeting. You can help by spending at least 15 minutes a day with your child reviewing each section.

Although awards vary by group, your child can expect recognition for completion of the following:

- entrance booklet
- each handbook section
- each handbook
- exceptional attendance

Attendance Awards

Clubbers are given awards for regular attendance in club. One award is given for not missing more than two times each half-year.

Award for Completion of Handbooks

Cubbies

1st book – Ribbon

Sparks 1st book – Ribbon

2nd book – Ribbon

3rd book – Plaque

Truth and Training

1st book – Ribbon

2nd book – Excellence Trophy

3rd book – Plaque

4th book – Timothy Trophy