



October Newsletter 2018

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The Holy Guardian Angels



“Popular piety encompasses many forms of devotion to the Guardian Angel. Saint Basil the Great taught that each and every member of the faithful has a Guardian Angel to protect, guard and Guide them through life.’ This ancient teaching was consolidated by biblical and patristic sources and lies behind many forms of piety. Saint Bernard of Clairvaux was a great master and a notable promoter of devotion to the Guardian Angels. For him, they were a proof ‘that heaven denies us nothing that assists us,’ and hence, ‘these celestial spirits have been placed at our side to protect us, instruct us, and to guide us.’”

*I encourage you to pray to your guardian angel everyday
May the Lady of the Rosary send many blessings to you and your families as we begin our
Monthly Rosaries with the children.*

*May God Bless you.
In Jesus Christ,
Sister Veronica Sanchez*

Children's Rosary

Please join us in for our Monthly Children's Rosary on Monday, October 1st led by K-1. We will pray at drop-off in the court yard, 8:10 am & 12:10 pm.



Picture Day



Life Touch will be at Poverello, Wednesday, October 10th to take the students Fall School Pictures. Students will be photographed in their UNIFORMS. (There will be no PE on this day) Order forms are in this month's Family Envelope. If you have questions regarding the forms please call Lifetouch at (866) 955-8342 or email at dclifetouch@lifetouch.com . Pictures must be ordered and paid for at the time they are taken. Boys will need their sweaters to have their pictures taken. Girls will need to have their vests and tie to have their pictures taken.

St. Francis Day

On Thursday, October 4th, we will observe and celebrate the feast day of our patron, St. Francis of Assisi, lover of all creation, founder of the Franciscan Order and patron saint of animals and the



environment. In remembrance of St. Francis, we will be conducting a special ceremony, the Blessing of the Animals. Children are invited to bring their favorite small stuffed animal to be blessed by our own St. Francis. Students may attend school in Free Dress (NO sandals or open toed shoes). The blessing will take place in our Glory of God Chapel and will begin at 8:30 AM for the morning session and at 12:30 PM for the afternoon session. Parents and family members are invited to attend. Please, for insurance and safety purposes, we ask that NO live animals be brought to the blessing. Regular drop-off and dismissal.

Campus Safety

All visitors and volunteers must sign in at the front office and wear a visible visitor tag.

To help keep our campus safe all doors to the school will be locked except the school office. Guests (parents, siblings etc.) will be asked to use the restrooms outside the Auditorium while classes are in session.

Absences

Whenever a child is absent, the school office must be notified. When a child returns to school, a note stating the reason for the absence, signed by the parent, must be sent to school. If your child was absent due to an illness that required a medical examination, or if the illness was a communicable disease, including lice, a medical "release to return to school" must be provided BEFORE the child will be admitted to his/her classroom and the office must be notified immediately. Children with fever must be fever free for 24 hours without medication before returning to school.

Change of Clothing

Please keep a change of clothing in the front pocket of your child's backpack. In the event your child has a potty accident they can be changed immediately if clothing is provided in the backpack. Clothing should include underwear, shorts/pants and socks. Clothing does not need to be the school uniform.

School Playground Closed

The school office closes promptly at 11:20 and 3:20 p.m. including the playground. The school does not provide after school supervision, for the safety of the children we ask that everyone vacate the school promptly at dismissal. Huge thank you to the parents that already observe this policy.

Sign-In Sheets

Please be sure to sign your child in and out daily. If you are late, please do not knock on the door, instead go to the school office for a late card, and be sure to sign your child in before taking them to class.

Early Drop-Off

Drop off for morning students begins at 8:00 AM, and 12:00 PM for afternoon students. Students may not be left earlier than these times. The teachers need this time to prepare for students. Your cooperation with these times is greatly appreciated.

Late Drop Off

In the event that your child is late for school, the parent or guardian must accompany the child to the office to secure a tardy slip BEFORE proceeding to the classroom. Please be sure to sign your child in before taking them to class. There will be three excused late arrivals per semester before you are charged, (the late fee is \$1.00 per minute that you are late.)

FEES For Late Pick Up

Children not picked up by 11:20 AM morning session and 3:20 PM for afternoon session are considered late. If your child's teacher is not in the classroom, they have taken the student to the convent. There are no excused late pick-ups, a late fee of \$1.00 per minute will be charged.

Yearbook



If you have pictures of the 1st Day of School or Saint Francis Day that you would like to share for possible use in the yearbook, please bring them to the school office. Please send photos/CD's with pictures (group pictures are best), in an envelope with your child's name and class. You may also e-mail PoverelloPTO@gmail.com. Please understand that we are not able to return photos/CD's and that not all pictures will be used.

We Accept Debit Cards

The financial office is able to accept debit & credit transactions. Tuition payments are now processed through FACTS only.



Columbus Day

Monday, October 8th - School will be closed.



Car Line



For the safety of the children the speed limit is always 5mph or less. There is only one entrance and one exit. Recently many drivers have been exiting through the entrance gate. Please instruct all persons that may be bringing your child/ren to school of the school's parking procedure. Citations will be issued for failure to follow the correct procedures. Parents will be financially responsible for tickets issued to persons bringing their child/ren.

Pumpkin Patch

If you would like to purchase a pumpkin for your child order forms are included in the October Family Envelope. Pumpkins are \$5.00 each, orders are due no later than Friday, October 12th. Students will be able to pick their own pumpkins on Harvest Day when they visit the Poverello Pumpkin Patch.



Harvest Day

Friday, October 26th will be Harvest Day. This is an educational event for the students only. Children may come to school in free dress fall colors, no open toed shoes.



Chuck E Cheese Night

Chuck E Cheese Night Fund Raiser will be on Wednesday, October 17th from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM. At two locations! The Chuck E Cheese located at 16269 San Fernando Mission Blvd. in Granada Hills and the Chuck E Cheese located at 25955 North The Old Road in Valencia. Come out and enjoy a night of pizza and fun. Bring your family & friends out, and help raise money for Poverello. Chuck E Cheese will donate a portion of the profits from this night to Poverello. Please be sure to tell them you're with Poverello so that Poverello receives the credit. Also when purchasing tokens, be sure and purchase them at the counter and mention that you are with Poverello. They are not able to give the school credit for tokens purchased from the machines.



Halloween Celebration/All Saint's Eve



Keeping in mind the true meaning of All Saint's Eve, remembering how the Saints loved and praised God, why not encourage your child to dress as their favorite Saint? Children may come to school dressed in costumes on Tuesday, October 31st. Online is a great source to learn more about the Saints, we had princess saints, soldiers saints and many more. Please NO SCARY costumes or weapons. As usual, please adhere to the free dress policy of no open toe shoes.

Halloween/All Saint's Eve Festivities

The PTO is hard at work planning all of the activities for this year's Celebrations on October 31st. Children will participate in a Parade of Costumes at 9:30 AM for the morning session and 1:30 PM for the afternoon

session followed by class parties. Look for sign-up sheets on your child's clipboard the week before Halloween.

Keepsake pictures will be taken of students in their costumes for those that order them. Order forms will be emailed home, please watch for it. Children will be taken to have their pictures taken starting at 8:15 AM and 12:15 PM.

Parents and family members are invited to share in the day's activities. Food and drinks will be available for purchase to all our guests. Students will be dismissed at the conclusion of their class parties; please do not forget to sign them out.



Nut Free School

Please remember that Poverello is a nut free school. Food containing nuts are not to be brought to school. If you are sending your child with a nut free substitute such as Sunbutter, please label it as such to avoid confusion. Thank you for your cooperation.

Healthy Snacks

Please be sure and send your child a healthy snack. Cookies, chips, candy etc. are not to be sent. Remember high sugar content is not beneficial to your child. Send healthy items such as juice, water, crackers, fruit, cheese, etc. NO NUTS. Food that may present a choking hazard such as grapes, cherry tomatoes etc., should be cut. Please make sure fruit is peeled.



Birthdays

Just a reminder about children's birthdays. In fairness to each child, there are no parties of any

kind here at school. Please do not ask the teachers if you can celebrate your child's birthday with the class. Your child may come to school in free dress and the teachers will sing to your child with the children. Thank you for your cooperation. To avoid hurt feelings, if you are passing out invitations at school, the entire class must be invited.


PE

PE starts this month. Coach has some exciting things planned for the children. Students are to wear their khaki shorts and school uniform shirt or blouse with vest on PE days. PE Days are as follows, PK-1, PK-2 & PK-3 on Tuesday, K-1 & K-2 on Wednesdays. N-1 & N-2 on Thursdays.

Kid-Fit

Our Pre-Kinder Kid-Fit Program will begin October 1st. All PK students are to wear their blue Kid-Fit shirt on Monday's

Library

Children have begun visiting the library and checking out  books. Please take this opportunity to read the book with your child at home and be sure to return it their next Library Day. K-1 & K-2 visit the library on Tuesdays, PK-3, N-1 & N-2 on Wednesdays and PK-1 & PK-2 on Thursdays. If you would like to donate a book to the library, please drop it off in the school office with your name. Donated books will be labeled with the Donor family's name.

Parent Handbook Tear-Out

If you have not already done so please sign and turn in the tear out in your Parent Handbook distributed in the Family Envelope at the orientation meeting. If you need a handbook,

please notify the office and one will be sent.

Uniform Reminders

Girls are to wear uniform shorts on PE days. Boy's hair is not to be touching the shirt collar, nor is it to be shorter than a number 2 clipper. Shoes are also part of the uniform. Boys shoes are all black Velcro shoe, no designs and not a tennis shoe. Girls shoes are all black one strap Mary Jane style shoe, (no patent leather) no designs. Please make sure your child's name is clearly marked on his/her sweater.

Sick Children

If your child is not feeling well, please do not send him/her to school. If your child has a fever he/she must be fever free for 24 hours without medication before returning to school. We do not want children to miss school unnecessarily; children do not do well in school if they are ill.



A Note From the Nurse

If you have an ice pack that was sent home with your child please return it to the school nurse.

Box Tops for Education

Be a Box Top for Education Super Hero! Help Poverello earn cash with Box Tops for Education and be entered in a monthly drawing for a special treat. Students receive one free entry for every sheet that they turn in. Look for Box Top sheets to be sent home in your child's Family Envelope. Filled flyers may be brought to the school office.



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Did you know that Poverello is on Facebook? And now we're on Instagram too!

Follow us for reminders and keep up to date on all the latest happenings.

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Instagram - @poverellopreschool

Special Thank You

Thank you to all of our families for choosing Poverello Preschool. To all of the families that help us in one way or another, thank you so much. May God keep you all safe and close to Him.

The Senda Family – Stetson PK-3 M for donating hotdog buns for the Open House.

The Mares Family – Kennedy N-2 A for the delicious sweet bread.

The Deubner Family – Benjamin N-1 M for donating colored cardstock paper.

The Garcia Family – Carmen PK-2 A for donating boxes of band aids.

The Avila Family – Destiny PK-2 A for donating clothes to the clinic.

The Davila Family – Edward K-2 M for donating books for the library.

The Mendoza Family – Alise PK-1 A for donating books to the library.

The Rivas Family – Cesar K-1 A for his presentation on Campus Safety for the school staff and faculty.

The Lopez Family – Jayden PK-2 A for his class CPR class for the faculty.

The Ochoa Family – Victoria PK-1 A for the delicious strawberries.

Office Depot Gives Back

Please cut the card below and present it to Office Depot/OfficeMax when making your next purchase and 5% of your purchase will be donated to Poverello of Assisi Preschool.



Dates to Remember

November 2 – Lice check
November 12 to 16 – Scholastic Book Fair
November 19 - Nursery Rhyme Day
November 20 – Friendship Salad
November 21, 22 & 23 – No school/Thanksgiving Break

December Date Change

Christmas Celebrations will be on Tuesday, December 18th. Christmas Vacation will begin Wednesday, December 19th.