



Newsletter

Dear Parents,

What a great beginning we've had! Children are happy and have adjusted nicely to the routine of school. Looks of "I can't do it" are turning into looks of "I DID IT!" It is very rewarding for us as teachers to witness this transition. We are excited and happy to be with your children. We are committed to provide an environment rich in possibilities to explore, think, and discover, which are all necessary for school readiness and success in life. Most importantly, we foster an awareness of the presence of God in them, in others, and all living things.

October Curriculum

It's all about Autumn in our classroom during the month of October. We will discover the colors of autumn through themes such as leaves and pumpkins. October is also Health and Safety awareness month. To learn more about Fire Safety for preschool children go to www.fireproofchildren.com. For fire safety games and activities in English, Spanish, or French go to www.playsafebesafe.com.



To practice a fire escape plan go to www.homefiredrill.org and play the game, "Help Mikey Make it Out."

October 5th is Child Health Day! Consciously modeling behaviors such as washing hands, sneezing/coughing into your elbow in front of your preschooler will encourage them to imitate you later on. Let's start promoting these healthy habits while they are very young to help everyone stay healthy during cold season!



Trike-A-Thon

Our Trike-a-thon is on **Friday, October 14!** You should have received the pledge sheet and food order form in your child's cubby. Every student is required to participate and generate at least \$60.00 in pledges.

You may bring your child's trike/helmet to school on Wednesday, October 12 to decorate it before the big event.

On the day of the Trike-A-Thon

The Trike-a-thon will begin at 4:00pm. Your child will ride his/her trike for 5 minutes, an assigned volunteer will help tally up how many laps your child completes. Pledge sheets with the total laps completed will be sent home on Monday 10/17.



Family Pumpkin Decorating Night

This year Cottone and Sons on Madrona will not have their annual pumpkin patch and petting zoo. Although we are sad about not visiting the pumpkin patch, we are excited about hosting a first-ever family pumpkin decorating night here at OLG Preschool.

When: Wednesday, October 26

Time: 4:30-6:00pm

Where: OLG Preschool

Stay tuned for more information!



Weather Changes

The days cool off quickly once the sun starts to set. Please send a jacket or sweater with your child each morning. We have outdoor play daily, weather permitting. Please remember everything needs to be labeled with your child's names: Jackets, sweatshirts, or any other piece of clothing that may be removed during the day.



“Mommy, I Don’t Feel Good.”

When your child mutters those five words in the morning before school, please don't pass it off as an attempt to stay home from school. Flu season is here! If your child has a fever, sore throat, diarrhea, vomiting and/or congested cough, he/she should not come to school. This is for the safety of all the children as well as the teachers. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Remember, your child must be free from fever, diarrhea and related symptoms for at least 24 hours before they return to school. We will send home any child who doesn't feel well whether he/she has a fever or not. Thank you again for your efforts in assisting us.



Mark Your Calendar

- Wednesday, 10/5**--Food Orders Due
- Saturday, 10/8**– Family Mass 5pm
- Wednesday, 10/12**–Trike-A-thon Pledge sheets due
- Friday, 10/14 Trike-A-Thon 4:00pm**
- Saturday, 10/22**– Casino Night
- Sunday, 10/23**– Donut Sunday after 8am & 9:45 Mass
- Wednesday, 10/26**– Family Pumpkin Decorating Night
4:30pm
- Monday, 10/31**- Halloween Parade 8:15am

Planning Ahead

- Friday, 11/11– Veteran’s Day– Preschool Closed
- November 23-25: Thanksgiving Break-
Preschool Closed

Halloween

The Halloween Parade begins sharply at 8:15am. I would suggest bringing your child to school in their costume and bringing a change of clothes. All children need to change out of their costumes after the parade. If you have time before heading to work, we kindly ask that you help your child change their clothes. We will have a Halloween party at 10am. You may sign-up to bring a special snack on the sign up sheet adjacent to the sign-in binder.

The children will participate in special arts/craft activities in both classrooms that are in keeping with this special day. Lunch and nap will remain normal schedule.

Costumes

In keeping with the ages of the children and the fears that are often part of their developmental workaroud, as well as being mindful that we are a Catholic-Christian community, we are asking that you do not dress your children in costumes that are violent or are violent characters. As you are well aware, this lends itself to aggressive types of play. Stay away from any type of "scary" or gruesome, as these can be frightening for young children. We will respect your child's fears, and validate their feelings by adhering to these guidelines.

Happy Halloween



Congratulations!

Congratulations to Ms. Newby, who recently got engaged!

Happy Birthday



Ms. Gina Valencia 10/19

Viviana 10/25

Rania 10/28