

# Leo R. Croce PTA Monthly Newsletter

October 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1	2	3	4 <b>No School!</b> (Staff Development Day)
7	8	9 <b>Student Conferences</b>	10	11
14 <b>Student Conferences (cont'd)</b>	15 <b>Reflections Submission Deadline</b>	16 <b>KONA ICE Sales</b> After 2:00 pm <b>Melo's Dine Out</b> All Day!	17 <b>PTA Meeting</b> 7:00 pm in Croce Library	18
21	22	23 <b>Scholastic Book Fair Week</b>	24	25 <b>Coffee w/ the Principal 8:40am</b> <b>Halloween Trunk-or-Treat 6:00-8:00pm</b>
28	29 <b>Picture Retakes!</b>	30 <b>Spirit Assemblies</b> 8:40 & 9:25am	31 <b>Happy Halloween!</b> Parade will be at 8:45 am	

## Announcements

- Student Conferences are October 7th - 18th.  
**Please note change in dismissal times.**  
TK/K will be dismissed at 1:10pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.  
TK/K dismissal will be 1:30pm on Wednesday  
Grades 1-5 will be dismissed at 1:30pm on Monday through Friday
- Croce's Harry Potter themed Book Fair will be open for sales at 8:00am, Oct 21st-25th. We continue to look for excited volunteers who would be interested in becoming Book Fair Chairpersons for next year. Email [leocrocebookfair@gmail.com](mailto:leocrocebookfair@gmail.com), if interested.
- Croce has been recognized as a BRONZE LEVEL school by the California PBIS Coalition's System of Recognition, reflecting excellence in our efforts in implementing the core features of Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS). Congratulations, staff and students!

- Final counts are in for the Fun Run and we EXCEEDED our goal and raised over \$32,100! Thank you Croce families for all your hard work - these funds will go directly to the classrooms, programs, and family events throughout the year!

## Volunteer Opportunities

- Scholastic Book Fair Help - Volunteers are needed to set up, run, and pack up the Fall Book Fair from October 14th-28th. Earn \$25 in Book Bucks for a teacher of your choice and also earn \$5 in personal Book Bucks for every shift you volunteer! Sign up [here](#).
- Trunk or Treat! is coming to Croce! We're looking for 25-30 creative families to transform their trunks into Halloween spectaculars! Sign up [here](#).

## Did You Know?

- Did you know that Croce is an option on Amazon Smile?! With the holidays coming up, please use <https://smile.amazon.com> and select "Leo Croce Elementary PTA" as your charity of choice and Amazon will donate a portion of the proceeds from your purchase to Croce PTA!

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- Help Croce earn extra cash by saving your Box Tops! Box Tops for Education now allows you to scan your receipts from stores such as Target, Walmart, Safeway and Costco. Download the Box Tops for Education App today and help our school start earning! Also, don't forget to save those familiar clips. Once you are ready to turn them in, drop them in the Box Top box in the school office. <https://www.boxtops4education.com>

## Events

October is a busy month of activities at Croce - keep an eye on our Facebook page and Instagram (@leocrocepta) for more descriptions, details, and how you can get involved!

- No school for students on Friday, October 4th!
- Run Club is Monday & Friday before school (8:00-8:20am) and Wednesday after school (1:30-2:00pm)
- [Reflections submissions](#) are due October 15th! This year's theme is Look Within; encourage your child to create something and submit [here](#).
- October's Dine Out Fundraiser is at Melo's Wednesday, October 16th ALL DAY! Head out and let them know you are there to support Croce.
- This year's Harry Potter Book Fair will be October 21st-25th in Room 39. Hours will be:
  - Monday and Tuesday 8:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-4:00pm
  - Wednesday 8:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-3:00pm
  - Thursday 8:00-9:00am and 1:00-4:00pm
  - Friday 8:00-9:00am, 1:00-4:00pm, and 6:00-8:00pm for Family Night during Trunk-or-Treat!

Win prizes every half hour on Oct 25th from 6:00-8:00pm!

- PTA General Meeting October 17th - 7:00pm in the Library. We had an amazing turn out last month and hope to continue to see many of you there! (*Childcare available until 8pm!*)

- Coffee with the Principal on October 25th - Come chat, ask questions, or just enjoy the company!

- Trunk or Treat!, a free family event for all Croce families, is coming to Croce! On October 25th from 6:00-8:00pm come dressed in your Halloween best and check out what the creative families have transformed their trunks into! There will be candy or allergy friendly treats at each trunk, food trucks, and you can stop by Family Night at the Scholastic Book Fair in Room 39!

Please bring a canned food item to donate to our holiday season Canned Food Drive.

- Halloween is a fun day at Croce - our Halloween Parade is at 8:45am. We hope to see you there! *Remember, this will be a family event with small children - Please be mindful about how scary your costume is and **no weapons are permitted on campus.***

## PTA President's Note

Hello Croce Families! It has been a fantastic kick off to the new school year and we are very excited about the year ahead! We are beyond thrilled with the Fun Run donations and plan to use those funds towards great things for our students. With that money, along with money from other fundraisers, we will continue to give every classroom **\$40 per student** to be able to purchase additional classroom supplies, teaching tools, and things that students need to learn. PTA also uses your donations to fund programs like **Raz-Kids** for Reading, **Art Enrichment**, **Run Club**, **Moby Max** for Math, events like the upcoming **Trunk-or-Treat**, and **SO MUCH MORE!** If you want to learn more about where your donations are going, we strongly encourage you to come to our next PTA meeting on October 17<sup>th</sup>! I would like to give a **HUGE THANK YOU** to everyone who has made the time in their busy schedules in order to help and volunteer in the classrooms, the PTA, or from home. We understand the demands of everyone's busy schedules and we will be providing many more opportunities for everyone to be able to help and support our students and community!!

- Alexis Vandewerfhorst, PTA President '19-'20

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