

# Parent Newcomer Meeting

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\*Check out **Frequently Asked Questions** for new student videos and a basic handbook to answer questions about day-to-day routines and procedures at Hugo Reid (called "How To Be a Raider").

## -----October at Hugo Reid-----

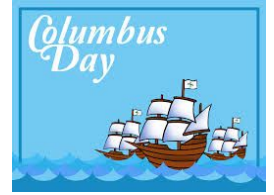
- October 1-November 12     *In-N-Out Burger* Cover to Cover Club (Arcadia Public Library)  
4 to 12 year olds earn gift certificates for recording books read
- Tuesday, October 4     Family Reading Night (HRE Library from 6-7pm)  
Students may check out books and use the *Accelerated Reader* program to test their reading comprehension skills after reading books. (A.R. tests can only be taken through the school network.)
- Friday, October 7     Staff Development Day**  
**NO SCHOOL for students = L-O-N-G weekend!**
- Saturday, October 8     *FREE Family Event: Star Wars Saturday - Jedi Training Academy*  
Arcadia Public Library at 2:30pm for 4-14 year olds  
*\*MUST register in advance as space is limited.*  
**October 1 - Children's Room at the Library - In person registration for Arcadia residents from 10-11am; open registration after 11am**
- Sunday, October 9     *2016 Kids Bike Race and KidsFest*  
Arcadia Community Center (365 Campus Drive) from 10am-4pm  
More information: [www.KidsBikeRace.org](http://www.KidsBikeRace.org) or [www.ArcadiaCA.gov](http://www.ArcadiaCA.gov)
- Week of October 10-14     Conferences with the student, parent(s), and teacher**  
**ALL students are dismissed at 12:35pm all week**
- Monday, October 10     Columbus Day (Regular School Day)
- Tuesday, October 11     Restaurant Night at *Islands* (3533 E. Foothill Blvd., Pasadena)
- Week of October 17-21     Red Ribbon Week (Drug and Alcohol Awareness)  
Specific clothing each day: all red, crazy socks, team jerseys
- Tuesday, October 18     Family Reading Night (HRE Library from 6-7pm)
- Wednesday, October 19     Parent Workshop featuring Scott Peebles (HRE MPR from 6-8pm)
- Thursday, October 20     Great Shake Out! (Earthquake drills across the state)  
10:20am - DROP, COVER, and HOLD ON for at least 60 seconds

- Friday, October 21 Rocky's Green Team (Grades 2-5)  
HRE Room 101 from 7:45-8:15am
- Saturday, October 22 *FREE Family Event: Buster Balloon's Halloween SPOOK'tacular  
Arcadia Public Library at 2:30pm or 4pm*
- Tuesday, October 25 PTSA Meeting (HRE MRP from 8:30-9:30am)
- Thursday, October 27 Collaboration Day**  
**ALL students are dismissed at 11:40.**
- Friday, October 28 Newcomer's Meeting (HRP Library from 8:30-9:15)  
Box Tops collection, Paper Drive  
Family Movie Night (HRE MPR 5:30-9pm)
- Saturday, October 29 *FREE Family Event at the Gilb Museum from 10am-12pm*  
***Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead)***  
  
Spooky Creatures in the Garden (at the Arboretum)  
9am-12pm (8am-12pm for members)  
Regular admission + \$3 for members or \$5 for non-members  
Halloween activities such as pumpkin decorating, science projects, fall book readings and walks, and autumn crafts.  
Dressing in costumes is encouraged.
- Monday, October 31 **Halloween**  
Students parade in costumes (No weapons, masks, or blood)
- Trick-or-Treating**  
**FREE Kids Fall Festival at City Hall West Lawn** (240 W. Huntington Dr.) from 4:30-7pm
- Trick-or-Treat at City Hall, costume contest, carnival games, crafts, and face painting
- Santa Anita Mall and downtown Sierra Madre**
- Merchants hand out treats to children in costumes.
- Alegria Street in Sierra Madre** **IF** your children do not scare easily.
- They have been decorating their short street for Halloween for years.
  - Alegria Street is just north of Baldwin Ave. and Grandview Ave. near St. Rita's Church.  
(Google **Alegria Street, Sierra Madre** for YouTube videos to get an idea of what you'll see.)
- Possible Day Trips**
- Pumpkin Picking** - Tanaka Farms in Orange County  
<http://www.tanakafarms.com/tours-pumpkin-patch/>
- Apple Picking** - Riley's Apple Farm  
<http://www.rileysapplefarm.com/>
- 9 Places to Find Fall Colors Around Los Angeles**  
<http://la.curbed.com/maps/9-places-to-find-fall-colors-around-los-angeles>
- #4 - LA County Arboretum  
#5 - Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanicals Gardens (San Marino)

## **Holidays in October**

### **Columbus Day**

Columbus Day has been celebrated on October 12, or the second Monday of October, since 1792. Christopher Columbus reached the Caribbean in 1492 and claimed the land for Spain. The first pledge of allegiance to the American flag was made on Columbus Day in 1892.



### **Halloween**

Halloween is celebrated on October 31. In elementary school, children wear costumes to school and may participate in parades. Families decorate their homes with jack-o'-lanterns (carved pumpkins lit with candles) and give out candy when children say "Trick or Treat."

Halloween began as Samhain, the Celtic New Year. On this night, bonfires were lit to scare away ghosts and witches. Now, on November 1, Christians remember the dead. This is All Saints' Day or All Hallows. Hallows means "holy."

Halloween, the evening before All Hallows, is a time of fun.



### **SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY**

Each year we enter a partnership with Shanghai to invite some of their teachers to job shadow our teachers here at AUSD. This has been a very rewarding experience for both countries and our students. If you would like to host 1 or 2 of these international teachers, please let the office know. Our principal, Miss Leahy will be able to answer more specific questions about hosting if you're interested. The dates are from Oct 8 to Oct 22 (two weeks).

2 females:

1 is a kindergarten teacher

1 is a director of elementary curriculum

They can stay in the same room as long as they both have their own beds. You're not responsible for them on the weekend unless you would like to take them around on adventures. Drop off and pick them up with your child each day. \$250 for each person if you do not provide dinner \$350 if you do.