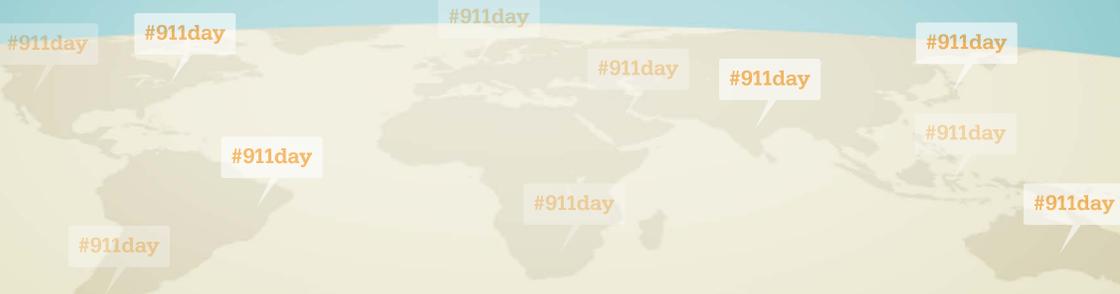




JOIN THE 9/11 DAY OBSERVANCE



# 9/11 Day Observance Official Parent's Guide



## What good deed will your child do?

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## Dear Friends and Family Members,

September 11 is now an officially designated federal day of service and remembrance. Our class plans to participate this year by thinking up good deeds or service projects we can do together. We'd like to invite you to help as well.

Please take a moment to talk with your child about a good deed they could do for 9/11. Then if possible, consider creating a good deed on behalf of your family. You may also want to visit [911day.org](http://911day.org), the official nonprofit website of the 9/11 Day Observance, and share your family's good deed with others. This website is operated by MyGoodDeed, the nonprofit that helped establish September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance. There is no cost or obligation for your family to support this activity, you are not required to make any type of financial donation, and all contact information provided on the website will never be shared.

By joining us in observing 9/11 in this way, you can help all of us create a wonderful and lasting tribute, and participate in 9/11 in a positive and constructive way. Please be sure to share your family's good deed on Twitter and Facebook, hashtag #911Day.

Sincerely,

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(Teacher Name)



# Join us in observing this September 11 as a day of good deeds and charitable service

This September 11, please join many families that will be taking time out of their busy schedules to adopt charities, volunteer, donate, or engage in other good deeds to help others.

Good deeds are things every one of us can do. There are hundreds of choices. Children can make their beds, do the dishes, or clean their rooms. Parents can donate clothes or other items to local charities, volunteer to work in the classroom, purchase needed school supplies, or spend special time with their families. It's up to you to decide.

So what will your family do?

## Here are three simple ways to get involved:

1. Visit [911day.org](http://911day.org) and learn more about this inspiring observance. Talk with your family about why this is important, and then come up with a good deed your family or child will perform in observance of 9/11.
2. Consider spending time on 9/11, or the weekend before, volunteering or engaging in a community service project with your family. It can be lots of fun, and a great way to teach your children about the importance of setting aside time to help others in your community. You can:
  - Donate gently worn clothes or eyeglasses
  - Visit an animal shelter
  - Donate books and toys to a local shelter
  - Clean up a neighborhood playground, beach, or park
  - Collect sports equipment donations for a local youth group
  - Create homemade gifts or baked items for a local fire station, or drop off flowers

If you are not sure what to do, check with your local community organizations, schools, and faith groups to see if they have any plans or ideas for 9/11.

3. Share your good deed plans at [911day.org](http://911day.org) as well as on Twitter and Facebook, hashtag #911Day. Each year tens of thousands of individuals post their good deeds on the website for people to read, and even dedicate them to first responders, military veterans and those lost on 9/11.

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## September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance

Did you know that 9/11 is now an official National Day of Service and Remembrance under federal law?

Go to [911day.org](http://911day.org) to make your pledge to do a good deed for 9/11 this year.

You can also download toolkits that provide ideas on how to create a service project.

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Visit [911day.org](http://911day.org) to learn more about this observance, and to share your plans. You'll also find many free resources and toolkits to help you plan your activities. Feel free also to visit us at [facebook.com/911day](https://facebook.com/911day), and at [YouTube.com/911dayofservice](https://YouTube.com/911dayofservice).



# Permission Form

On \_\_\_\_\_ our class will be \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) (Description of Service Project and Goal)

The event will be held at \_\_\_\_\_ We will meet at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Location)

\_\_\_\_\_ and the event will wrap up at approximately \_\_\_\_\_  
(Time and Place to Meet Before the Event) (End Time)

Will you join us as a volunteer?  Yes  No

Will your child attend this special event?  Yes  No

Can you help us by providing one of the following items?

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Do you have any questions?

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Please sign and return this form as soon as possible. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent's Signature) (Date)

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Teacher's Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Teacher's Contact Information)

## Find out more!

Go to [911day.org](http://911day.org) to learn more about what others are doing, and to take action yourself.