

Hello Families!

I am out of the office tomorrow, so this is coming a little early this week.

We hope you enjoyed the Music and Arts workshops last Thursday, the first Maggie's Math Workshop and the Family Visits this week! *Please check the calendar below for several additions.*

Important School News and Housekeeping Items/Reminders

- Thank you to everyone who donated to the **Winter Drive for The Coalition of the Homeless**. If you are available to help sort and deliver tomorrow after drop-off, please email Cari Gelber - carimgelber@gmail.com if are available to help.
- **Save the Date:** Peck Slip's Annual Toy Drive to benefit PS.209 will be **December 5th-December 15th**. We will be accepting gently used and new toys for the families of PS.209. They are requesting items for age 3-10 year olds.
* They would also love any winter items (for kids only) including hats, scarves and gloves. For any questions please email carimgelber@gmail.com.
- **Please take a few moments this weekend to put your child's name on the labels/tags of their coat, hat, scarf and gloves/mittens.**

This week's excerpt from the Family Handbook:

Home-to-school Communication

With Staff Members

- If you have a concern about your child, reach out to your child's teacher – she or he is the person with the most information and day-to-day contact with your child, and is most likely the best person to clarify and resolve issues.
- If your concerns are specific to one of the specialty classes (art, big blocks, music, physical education, science), please contact the teacher of that class.
- If your concerns have to do with the after school program, contact Mae-Sue Guery at mae-sue@manhattanyouth.org.
- If there are specific events, problems or changes in your family's usual routine which may affect your child, please let your child's teacher and/or the guidance counselor know. This helps us better understand and support your child.

Important Upcoming Dates:

w/o 11/21		
Monday, 11/21	Class Parent Meeting	8:30am in Library
Thursday, 11/24 and Friday,	School Closed	Thanksgiving Holiday

11/25		
w/o 11/28		
Tuesday, 11/29	South Street Seaport Tree Lighting Ceremony	The Peck Slip 4 th Grade Band and Chorus will perform at this event, and PSS PTA will have a booth with hot beverages! Mark your calendars – more details coming soon.
Wednesday, 11/30	Parenting Workshop: Helping Your Child Understand Conflict	8:30am in Room 226. Sign up here: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0445adaf22aaff2-helping
Friday, 12/2	Breakfast with Maggie	8:30am, Room 226.
w/o 12/5		
Wednesday, 12/7	PTA Executive Board Meeting	8:30am in the Library
Thursday, 12/8	Science and Phys. Ed. Parent Workshop Evening	5:30pm – 7:45pm. Signups will be posted soon.
w/o 12/12		
Tuesday, 12/13	Parent Workshop – Navigating the IEP Process	8:30am in Room 226. Signup will be posted in December.
Wednesday, 12/14	PTA General Meeting	6:00pm- 7:30pm. Holiday Party! Pizza and Babysitting will be provided. More information to follow.
Thursday, 12/15	Family Visit – 3rd Grade	8:30 am in your child’s classroom
Thursday, 12/15	SLT Meeting	3:00pm in the Library
Friday, 12/16	Family Friday – PK, K and 1st	PK: 8:20am K: and 1 st : 8:45am in your child’s classroom
w/o 12/19		
Wednesday,	Maggie’s Math Club	8:30am in Room 226. Signup will be posted in December.

12/21	for Math Haters	
Thursday, 12/22	Family Visit – 4th Grade	8:45am in your child’s classroom
Friday, 12/23	Family Friday - 2nd Grade	8:45am in your child’s classroom
w/o 12/26		
Monday 12/26 – Monday, 1/2	School Closed	Winter Recess