

ADMINISTRATORS' ANNOUNCEMENT

As the New Year approaches, we would like to take the time to thank all of our wonderful students, staff and our P.S. 127 families for supporting us and helping our school to be a remarkable place of learning.

We would also like to take the time to reflect upon our efforts in creating a community of kindness and caring. We thank all families and faculty for their contributions to our fundraisers and for donating their time to the many great causes in our school.

On Friday, December 7th, following Family Friday, all families are invited to Desserts Around the World. This annual events allows the members of the school community to bring in and sample treats from various cultures while gathering together and enjoying time together.

On Tuesday December 11th and Wednesday, December 12th, the students will have an opportunity to visit the annual "Holiday Fair" organized by our wonderful PTA and dedicated volunteers.

Our next PTA meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 18th at 2:45 pm in the multi-purpose room. We are looking forward to seeing you.

Once again, we wish you all a wonderful Winter Recess as we get ready for a great start to the New Year! Happy Holidays!



PARENT COORDINATOR

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Holiday.

As we enter the New Year, we have many wonderful events planned.

Please make sure to check the calendars. Have a wonderful winter break and a very HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Student of the Month
NOVEMBER

CLASS	CHILD'S NAME
K-102	ARCADIA AYALA ELLA TUNG
K-105	MIRANDA LI LEAH YU
K-106	JOHN KOSTA SANDY MEI
K-107	WILSON WANG CARINA CHEN
K-108	RUBY PIAO TANIA LAM
1-101	JENNA MENDEZ VINCE JIANG
1-103	AAZTLI WEI JIMMY YANG
1-202	SOPHIA LECLER
1/2-201	SHELLEY JIANG 2-201
2-208	GIANNA VAZQUEZ STANLEY ZHU
2-209	TIFFANY NI AMY LIN
2-210	ALINA CHANG MOHAMMAD KABTOUL
3-203	QUETZALI ARENAS SELINA DONG
3-204	THOMAS LIU ALLISON CHIQUITERO
3-207	WESLEY TUNG NATALIE MENDOZA
3/4/5-206	JOSELIN AMAYA 4-206
4-301	Reading MATTHEW HO
4-301	Math PRESTON CHAN
4-301	S.S./Writing SOPHIA LONG
4-302	Reading LEANNA CHEN
4-302	Math YOUSEF ABDELHAKIM
4-302	S.S./Writing LEANNA CHEN
4-306	Reading SELINA ZHENG
4-306	Math DEANNA KADI
4-306	S.S./Writing DEANNA KADI
5-305	Reading DAVID LOZADO
5-305	Math ALLEN CHEN
5-305	S.S./Writing ANGELICA MEDING
5-307	Reading GODFREY CHEN
5-307	Math JESSE AJA-SIGMON
5-307	S.S./Writing YIMING LIN
5-308	Reading HALEY MENDEZ
5-308	Math DANIEL VAZQUEZ
5-308	S.S./Writing JUDY ELSAYED
ART	IBRAHIM YUSUF 4-306
	VICTORIA YANG 5-308
SCI 3-5	LIONEL GARCIA 4-306
	DEANNA KADI 4-306
PHYS. ED K.C.	CHRISTOPHER GUEVARA
	3-204 RYAN YANG 3-204
DANCE	OLIVE BARKET 2-208

GRADE NEWS

Kindergarten

The wind is blowing colder, time to bundle up. Winter is on its way! In Math we will represent, count, compare, add, and write numbers up to 10. In Reading we will discuss what can be learned from the pictures in a selection, how pictures support the text (words), as well as how the parts of a story work together. In Writing we will continue to write descriptive sentences using adjectives.

First Grade

This month, first graders will be working on using text and graphic features to analyze a text, creating story structure maps to organize the different parts of a story, and putting story events in order in our reading program. In math, students will continue to work on addition and subtraction strategies within 20. In writing, first graders will be writing informational writing pieces as well as "how to" writing pieces. On December 11th the first grade teachers will be hosting a parent workshop to discuss math strategies to meet the common core standards in room 1-103 at 2:50pm. During the holiday break, please be sure to replenish ALL supplies. We want to wish you and your families a very happy and safe holiday season.

Second Grade

The month of December is here and it's "snow" secret that second graders will be very busy and working hard all month long! During our Journeys lessons, we will be exploring concepts such as understanding characters and fact/opinion. Our Go Math lessons will revolve around 2-digit addition. We will continue crafting our nonfiction pieces writing workshop, and taking the time to celebrate and reflect upon the writing process. As 2018 draws to a close, we also

would like to take the time to wish everyone in the P.S. 127 family a happy and restful winter recess! We look forward to continuing the fun learning adventures in 2019!

Third Grade

In the month of December Grade 3 will continue to focus on the multiplication tables. The students will be taking multiplication drills weekly, so please continue to memorize the times tables. Grade 3 has launched our unit of study on the continent of Africa. To enhance our study we are going on a field trip to the Staten Island Museum to make African masks. In reading our skill focuses are: cause/effect and sequence of events. To close out 2018, each classroom will be having their own cultural feast and craft activities for the students. All families are welcome. Enjoy your Winter Break!!

3/4/5

As the holiday season approaches the students in class 3/4/5-206 continue to strive for their goals. We will be continuing Unit 2 in Journeys. Our reading skills will include Cause and Effect, Understanding Characters, Main Idea and Details, and Conclusions and Generalizations. We will also be continuing Chapter 3 in math. Our skills will be Understanding multiplication, and Adding and Subtracting Decimals. I encourage you to practice multiplication and division facts with your children daily. I wish all of you a Happy and Healthy winter recess.

4th Grade ELA

We recently began Unit 2 in our Journeys Reading Program. Several of the reading selection in Unit 2 deal with creativity and the arts. We will discover the different ways in which people express themselves. The characters throughout the unit dance, make art, and write letters that reflect their personalities.

4th Grade Math

During the month of December, the fourth grade will be working on division. Please continue to work on the multiplication facts every night until mastery. We hope everyone has a happy and restful Winter Recess.

4th Grade SS/Writing

This month in Social Studies, fourth grade will begin to study the Colonial and Revolutionary Period in New York. Students will learn how European exploration led to the colonization of New York State. We will map the voyages of Verrazano, Hudson, Cartier, and Champlain. Students will investigate the interactions and relationships between Native American groups, Dutch and fur traders, French missionaries, and early settlers. In Writing, students will continue to work on their opinion essays based on close reading and examination of sources. We will focus on citing evidence from a text. Students will identify why textual evidence is important in writing and discussions and use evidence to make logical inferences about texts.

5th Grade ELA.

We are continuing to read "Tuck Everlasting" and completing many fun activities that are building our reading skills and comprehension. Also, we will begin our STEAM Project in reading and it will relate to our Novel Study, as well.

5th Grade Math

I can't believe it's already December! I hope everyone is enjoying the holiday season. In math we are multiplying and dividing decimals. Everyone has been working so hard and making us proud!

5th Grade SS/Writing

While finishing up our unit on the Mayans and our information writing essay, we are anxiously awaiting a visit from Imagination Creation to help us begin our new Unit on European Exploration.

CLUSTER NEWS

Art

K-5 are creating lovely season's greetings cards for "City Meals on Wheels." As the students are creating cards they are reinforcing their artistic skills while applying the elements and principals of art.

Science

Hello Everyone!!! We will be having fun in Science this month. 3rd graders will continue studying forces; the 4th graders will become experts at understanding different forms of energy and how they are converted. The 5th graders will be learning about stars in space and where they are located. Please remember to review science concepts learned in class. I hope all families have a great holiday and enjoy the winter break!

Physical Education

Happy Holidays everyone. We are now wrapping up with our soccer unit. The students are so excited about implementing their soccer skills at our "Winter Wonderland" themed soccer stations. Grades 3-5 also continue to work on their fitness components, when weather is permitting we utilize our pedometers for the "We're Walking Here" activity to increase our cardio endurance. We are looking forward to ending this Year on a happy and healthy note.

Dance

Happy December! Fortunately, dance class is helping to build each students' confidence and strength as an individual. As we continue to focus on the elements of dance, this month we are focusing on our loco-motor movements, creating movement maps. We are also learning new choreography to various styles of dance. Stay warm and happy holidays to you and your family!

ENL

Happy Holidays to all of our families! The New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT) will be held in April and May of 2019. We will be offering the Saturday ELL Academy again to help our students' prepare for the test. Please look for the notices in your child's folder. As always, we are available for questions and conferences on Tuesday afternoons.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Speech

Grades K-5 have been working hard on their goals. We continue to incorporate multi-sensory prompting to help each student embed the skills learned into their memory. The lower grades are reinforcing phonemic awareness and categorization into all goals to help with reading and writing. The upper grades are using a variety of graphic organizers to help with vocabulary and comprehension of more difficult reading passages. They are learning synonyms and antonyms to continue to reinforce new vocabulary. The following are a few ideas for activities to do with your children when you're reading, watching TV, or even driving in your car: Look for words and: ask your child to come up with rhymes break down or combine words to create compound words find words that begin or end with a given letter come up with a list of words that describe something model new words to use when describing their feelings play 'i spy' to have them describe (using their senses) what they see or letters from the alphabet ask children to retell a book they read or a show they've seen. We hope all of you have a happy and healthy winter break. Make every moment a teachable one!

AIS/IEP/SETSS

SETSS is FaLaLa~ing into December...

After several months of working with the students, vocabulary is still a weak area for lots of them. Here are some tips to increase vocabulary to do at home. Have a wonderful and safe holiday!!

* Engage your child in conversations every day including new and interesting words in your conversation.

* Read to your child each day defining an unfamiliar word for your child.

* Help build word knowledge by classifying and grouping objects or pictures while naming them.

Counselor

Now that winter is fast approaching let's get some ideas in our head for ways to keep active with our families. Children need movement, children enjoy hobbies, and children need to maintain friendships in order to become socially appropriate citizens in their community. Help your children remain social this winter by introducing new hobbies, setting up indoor play dates with friends, or sit down with your family and research free or low cost family fun activities around NYC. Encourage your children to be socially active and participate with others.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Book of the Month DECEMBER

Making Friends Is an Art! By: Julia Cook

Meet Brown the least used pencil in the box. He's tall, geeky and lonely. Brown envies Red, Purple, Blue, and all the other pencils who have fun coloring and playing together. Dark Green is trustworthy, Pink listens well, Orange has fun, and everybody likes Red! Brown doesn't smile very often, because he doesn't get used much and hardly ever needs sharpening. When Brown asks the other pencils why no one likes him, he discovers that to have friends, he needs to be a good friend. If Brown learns to use all of the friendship skills the other pencils have, he can make friends and have fun too! In her trademark humorous fashion, author Julia Cook teaches kids how to practice the art of friendship and getting along with others. **Enjoy!**

Title 1:

2018-2019 Title 1 Parent Committee **/PTA Events:**

(all take place after Family Friday)

December 7 - Desserts Around The World

January 4 - Understanding the Rules of Engagement with Social Media/Technology, by Sara Steinweiss

February 1 - Lunar New Year Celebration

March 1 - TBD

April 5 - Pastries for Parents
(May - **No Family Friday/Title 1**)

June 7 - Volunteer Breakfast

Student Council Corner

On November 20, 2018 we honored and celebrated this year's Student Council Members along with giving thanks to our special guests at our annual day of gratitude ceremony. On Friday December 14th, P.S. 127 will host a school wide Pajama Party in support of Pietro's Fight. Visit pietrosfight.org to learn more about this cause.

PTA

Please look at the December calendar since it's a busy month!

Dec 5- holiday photos

Dec 7 - family Friday

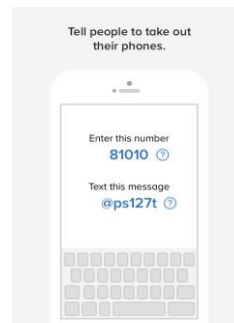
Dec 11-12 holiday sale

Dec 14 - sweet shop

Dec 18- general meeting 2:45pm

Sign Up for Important Updates from P.S. 127

PTA



Use this link to download the app: <https://www.remind.com/join/ps127t>

Or use without the app by texting #81010 to: @ps127t

Note from the Nurse

Winter is coming! Please have your children dress in layers that can be adjusted to the room temperature. Hopefully, we will continue seeing more flu immunizations done since last year's flu was the worst in 40 years!

Asthma Open airway classes have been started 1 day a week for half an hour for 6 weeks. The Children are attentive and asking good questions!