

PS 34 Eco-Schools: *News and Updates*

Pumpkin Decorating Garden Party in Our Schoolyard!

On Friday, October 5, 2018, the Parent Green Team hosted a Pumpkin Decorating Garden Party in our Schoolyard Habitat. For this autumn event, fresh apples, cider and pumpkins were provided for the party. The event was funded by the Eco-Schools program and was a huge hit!

Families came with as soon as the "gates" were open. Kids had stickers, transfers, markers and googly eyes to support their creative process. By the end of the party, 80 pumpkins were given away!



Thank you to Alina and Lisa, your Green Team Leaders and Deise, your Parent Coordinator, for volunteering at the event.

Eco-Trips, Workshops & Events

Speaking of the Parent Green Team, this year, we'll be meeting bi-weekly (every other week) on TUESDAYS (changed from Thursdays) at Woops from 8:30-9:30a. Gatherings will have a specific topic each time and notes will be taken and shared in case you miss a week! To sign up, email: wongt@nwf.org



Green STEM Class with Ms. Marshall

Grades K-5 has begun their first unit of study. Ks are exploring "Who Are We?" with themes of biodiversity. My absolute favorite is the Color Search Activity where they put on their "owl" eyes and look for different living and non-living things in the garden. 1st grade begun their Water unit and 2nd grader are focused on materials and waste and just today, Ms. Marshall went over the product lifecycle. Do you know it?

3rd grade is studying food and just learn about different types of "farms" including our classroom hydroponic farm! Our 4th graders are working on their "School Impact" projects and finally, 5th graders are focused on a new "Community Impact" unit, studying our urban ecology and learning about all things Newtown Creek! To read more about PS34's Green STEM Program, check out the GoGreen Blog here: <https://gogreenbk.org/2016/11/green-stem-education-ps34/>

Upcoming Eco-Events:

Tuesdays, Nov. 13th & 27th, 8:30-9:30a – Bi-weekly PTA Green Team Gatherings at Woops!:

Join your PTA Green Team Leaders and other eco-minded parents to discuss and share eco-ideas, initiatives, events and programming you'd like to see at our school.



Thur., Nov 15, 2:45pm – Newtown Creek's Urban Ecology Eco-Workshop

At this workshop, you will learn about flora and fauna of the Creek! Which plants and animals are native species, which are introduced, and which are invasive! Look out for more details in the upcoming weeks on Class Dojo.



A reminder to help save paper, time, money and the environment. Talk to your child's teacher to sign up for Class Dojo today and be sure to check out the "School Story" section for schoolwide events and announcements!



See dates, times and locations below:

<https://on.nyc.gov/2DbAx2P>

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