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PS 34 Principal's Notes

Dear Parents, Colleagues and Friends,

First, let me say that I hope you and your family are staying safe and healthy during this unprecedented time in our history. I am forever grateful for the extraordinary patience and understanding you have shown during the past month as we undertook the challenging process of transitioning from traditional instruction in the classroom to remote teaching and learning.

Life has drastically changed over the past few weeks, but I think I speak for all of us when I say that there is much to be proud of in the flexibility and resilience shown by the families, students and teachers of our PS 34 community.

I am so very proud of our PS 34 family!

Sincerely,

Carmen Asselta

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Principal

UPDATES:

- **Device distributions**
Families that requested devices from the DOE should have already received them or will be receiving them by next week. Please reach out to Mrs. Deise Kowalski, Parent Coordinator, at Dkowalski@schools.nyc.gov if you are in need of one and have not received it by April 30th.
- **Kindergarten Acceptance**
Letters and emails were sent out by the Department of Education last week. If your child was not offered a seat and there are siblings already in our school, please send us an email at Casselt@schools.nyc.gov.
- **Afternoon Coffee Time With the Principal**
Starting Tuesday May 5th, I will begin hosting a weekly virtual Coffee Time with the Principal via Google Meet from 2:00pm - 3:00pm. A link will be posted on ClassDojo on Mondays for anyone that would like to join.
- Join our PS 34 Virtual PTA Parent Meeting on Tuesday, April 28 · 8:00 - 9:00pm. The link will be posted on Class Dojo.

RECENT CELEBRATIONS

-World Languages Day

What a wonderful way to explore a new language! Please check out our Flip Grids sent in by our students who took part in our World Languages Challenge on Thursday, April 16th. The children did a great job sending greetings and messages in languages they researched. If your child has not participated yet, it is not too late. You can participate in our PS 34 World Language Challenge <https://flipgrid.com/e00dcebf>.

View our MixTape slide <https://flipgrid.com/+kowalski5659>

-50th Anniversary of Earth day on April 22nd: Thank you to Ms. Marshall for leading the students in the Earth Day celebrations. Students can continue to share their projects. We want to collect as many as possible so we can create a PS 34 Earth Day page to share with everyone. Check your student Google Classroom page for STEM project flipgrid information.

-#PS34Gratitudechain.

Thank you to Ms. Summa for initiating Chains of Gratitude. Our students have been expressing their gratitude for the heroic efforts of all first responders. We asked families to send their photos to Mrs. Summa and Mrs. Kowalski. Our student's messages and works of art have been posted on our social media.

Visit our PS34 Oliver H. Perry FACEBOOK page <https://www.facebook.com/PS-34-Oliver-H-Perry-Elementary-378082072365322/>
 InstagramPS34PTAgreenpoint, <https://www.instagram.com/ps34ptagreenpoint/>



We are here to help

These are stressful times. While learning will always be our priority, I want to assure you that the health and welfare of every single member of the PS 34 community is our number one concern during this time.

I understand that families may be struggling in many ways, and I want you to know that we are here for you now, as always. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me at CAsselt@schools.nyc.gov, Mr. Beugoms, APABeugoms@schools.nyc.gov or Ms. Deise Kowalski, Parent Coordinator, Dkowalski@schools.nyc.gov or your child's classroom teacher on Class Dojo should you need support.

REMINDER:

Do not forget to check Class Dojo often for updates and information from PS 34 and other important resources and news for parents and their families. Resources and tips for parents are also posted on our PS 34 website parent coordinator parent information page

http://www.ps34.org/parent_coordinator.