



PS 295 Thursday News Bulletin



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SCHOOL CLOSINGS

- April 10th-18th – Spring Recess
- May 29th – Memorial Day
- June 8th – Anniversary Day
- June 12th – Clerical Day
- June 26th – Eid al-Fitr

IMPORTANT DATES

- April 6 – Music Share 1&2
8:30AM @ Auditorium
- April 6 – K trip to BCPA
- April 6 – 1st grade trip to BCPA
- April 7 – 4-206 trip to New Victory
- April 19 – School resumes
- April 24 – Lice Check
- April 24 – 4-208 Drama Sharing
8:30AM
- April 26 – 4-206 Drama Sharing
8:30AM
- April 27 – 4-102 Drama Sharing
8:30AM
- April 28 – 2-107 Drama Sharing
8:30AM
- April 28 – Family Fun Friday
- May 1-5 – Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 2-4 – Math State Exams
- May 2 – 1-112 trip to Brooklyn Botanical Garden
- May 2 – 2nd grade trip to Marine Park Salt Marsh
- May 3 – 2nd grade trip to Skyscraper Museum
- May 4 – 1-112 trip to BPL
- May 4 – 2nd grade trip to Eerie Basin Park
- May 5 – 2-106 Drama Sharing
8:30AM
- May 8 – 3-105 Drama Sharing
8:30AM
- May 9 – 3-103 Drama Sharing
8:30AM
- May 11 – 3-104 Drama Sharing
8:30AM

EARTH DAY

Earth Day will be celebrated worldwide on April 22. The PTA will be running an in-school project for our celebration on Friday, April 21. We will need parent volunteers, so if you would like to join your child and help out, please email Tamara @ tkdamon@gmail.com.

We will also be collecting recyclable materials for the Make-a-Truck art activity at Touch-a-Truck. You may drop off near the PTA cabinets, or bring with you if you are helping with the Earth Day project. Here is what we will need:

- Boxes and cartons of all sizes
- Colored paper
- Glue
- Markers
- Tape – for trucks and large pipes to create the biggest truck of all!
- Any add-ons like pipe cleaners, buttons- donations.

LICE CHECK

We will be checking students for lice on April 24. Affected students will be sent home. In order to minimize absences, please take preventative measures now and check your child's hair for nits and lice. And thank you for your donations to keep our kids lice free!

PTA MEETING—APRIL 25 AT 8:30 AM

Let's relive our fabulous experience at the Brooklyn Art Spring Event then talk promotion for Touch-a-Truck ... all over bagels and coffee! And don't forget, you're nominating yourself for the EC! Be there: 8:30 am in the main lobby area. Please enter at 18th street after drop off.

TOUCH-A-TRUCK

The trucks are rolling in May 13! Just in time for Mother's Day! Book a play date at Touch-a-Truck. Provided by Project Playdate (www.projectplaydate.org)— a fun two hours for your kids; some time to yourself! Book here: <https://goo.gl/HejO5G>.

Volunteer, volunteer, volunteer! Sign Up here: <https://goo.gl/70qJTb>
Commit by April 24 and receive a volunteer t-shirt. Student volunteers welcome, too!

And we have plenty of activities to round out the day: Giocare sand play and toddler rest area; Amerikick martial arts demos; Slope Pediatrics Make-a-Truck art center; Brooklyn Game Lab Battle Lab and board games; Beansprouts face painting; Textile Arts Center "I Touched a Truck" silk screening; Brooklyn Robot Foundry Flyers & Floaters; The Tiny Scientist Slime Zone; and Project Playdate playdates, in addition to bouncy houses, hard-hat giveaways and Touch-a-Truck tees. Visit our website at <http://ps295touchatruck.weebly.com/> for tickets and more details.



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DRAMA SHARINGS

There will be Drama Sharings for 1st through 4th grades this spring. You are invited to see some of the work that your child is doing in drama class. This is similar to what we have done in previous years. These are informal sharings of some of the work the students have been doing in drama class, rather than performances. Each Sharing will be held from **8:30-9:00am**. If you are unable to attend, you will still have an opportunity to see your child's work. Some projects can be brought home. And we will take photos and videos, if possible.

Ms. Cat

2nd GRADE DRAMA SHARING:

Friday, April 28th, class 2-107

Friday, May 5th, class 2-106

3rd GRADE DRAMA SHARING:

Monday, May 8th, class 3-105

Tuesday, May 9th, class 3-103

Thursday, May 11th class 3-104

4th GRADE DRAMA SHARING:

Monday, April 24th, class 4-208

Wednesday, April 26th, class 4-206

Thursday, April 27th, class 4-102

SPRING ELECTIONS—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & SLT

The PS 295 PTA is currently looking for individuals willing to serve as leaders on the Executive Committee and Student Leadership Team for one or two-year terms. Why you should run:

- There isn't a better way to know what's happening in our school.
- Tap into a network – meet other parents, build rapport and discuss issues on your mind.
- Put your skills and hobbies to use for a noble cause – your child and the kids in our community.
- Be a part of the solution – by getting involved at your child's school, you are helping make positive changes and will play an important role by supporting building improvements through advocacy and in fundraising for curriculum-based programs and social events.
- Be a role model – you are demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education.

OFFICES INCLUDED IN THIS ELECTION:

Co-President – need one for a two-year term

Co-Secretary – need two for staggered terms, one-year and two-year

Co-Treasurer – need two for staggered terms, one-year and two-year

VP Development & Programs – need one for a two-year term

VP Events – need one for a two-year term

* Co-president (one year) and VP Parent Engagement are incumbent.

TO NOMINATE YOURSELF OR SOMEONE ELSE

All parents are eligible to hold an EC office, unless they are employees of the school.

Submit online: <https://goo.gl/forms/KD9yhYxHyMnKggga2> (Spanish version is here:

<https://goo.gl/forms/vCwmaBpESTL5ysD43>)

In person: "Attn: Nominating Committee" and drop off in the PTA mailbox in the main office.

Deadlines: May 9 for EC and June 6 for SLT

All parents are eligible to vote in the elections.

Voting for EC is May 23 at the PTA meeting.

Ballots for SLT will be sent out in backpacks in June after nominations close. You can submit your vote on June 20.

For more information, please contact Maria at fusilero.maria@gmail.com or 916-501-7489.



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\$428 FOR CUPCAKE FRIDAY!



We sold every item you brought in. Impressive considering the weather. The Queens want to give a huge shout out to our bakers and helpers — you make it happen!

Our next CCF will be on April 28. It will be another double-header with a Family Fun Friday to work off the calories. Please bake, donate and buy many

LIBRARY OPEN AFTER SCHOOL

The library is open after school Tuesday afternoons from 2:40-4:00 pm. Fourth- and fifth-graders are welcome without an adult if they have a signed permission slip on file. They can sign up on Fridays to reserve a spot (limited to up to 25 students). Students from earlier grades are welcome to visit the library at this time with an adult.

DONATE TO PS 295

Whether you give \$5, \$50 or \$500, every amount counts and helps us get to this goal. Remember, your donation is 100% tax deductible.

- **Online:** make a one-time donation or set up a monthly payment with your credit card at www.ps295.org/donate/.
- **Check:** Place cash or check payable to PS295 PTA in an envelope and drop off in the main office.
- **Employee Match:** Find out if your company matches charitable donations.

SHOP FOR PS 295

Shutterfly or Tiny Prints—13% of your purchase goes to the school. Use this link:

<http://ps295.shutterflystorefront.com/>

Amazon— Click through the Amazon ad in the lower right corner of our home page at www.ps295.org, or shop on <http://smile.amazon.com> and select PS 295 as your charitable organization.

Box Tops—clip and save, then drop off in the PTA mailbox in the main office.

Fairway—3% of your purchase with your keychain card. Need one? Email Gina at gcaroddo@gmail.com.

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