

# NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

*The Official Newsletter of The Neighborhood School  
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## WHAT'S UP THIS WEEK

### WEDNESDAY 10/2

Class visit from Alice Auth, LCSW  
Parent appt as needed

### THURSDAY 10/3

SLT Meeting 8am-9:30am

Class Parent Breakfast  
Small Cafeteria, 8:30am

### FRIDAY 10/4

ECO Committee Meeting 8:30am  
Small Cafeteria

## LUNCH



### WEDNESDAY 10/2

Hot Turkey Sandwich  
Mashed Potatoes  
Grab-n-Go Chopped Salad  
Salad Bar Burger/Sandwich Fixin's

### THURSDAY 10/3

Teriyaki Chicken Dumplings  
Vegetable Rice  
Orange Ginger Carrots  
Fresh New York Apples  
Grab-n-Go Chopped Salad  
Salad Bar Local New York

### FRIDAY 10/4

Margherita Pizza  
Green Garden Salad  
Ranch Carrot Snacker

Popcorn Friday  
Pickup

Salad Bar Pizza Toppings Featuring  
Cranberry Chickpea Salad

## HALLOWEEN COSTUME SWAP



It's two days into October and my children have only changed their minds about Halloween costumes 2,364 times, so things are right on schedule!

Is this happening at your house? Have your kids outgrown the dress up drawer and can't afford / unwilling to spend the rent money at Pottery Barn?

We are here to help!

**Leave a gently used, clean costume -- Take a costume!**

You don't have to leave one to take one.

In the lobby, all month long.

Anything to help ease the stress of growing children (and their ever-changing gotta-love 'em beautiful-imaginative-little brains) #GotYourBack #InThisTogether

**The Neighborhood School**

**READ-A-THON**

## The Read-a-thon has been extended until October 3rd!

This is one of the best ways to get family and friends involved in fundraising for TNS! If your child is not reading on their own, any books you read with / to / around them totally count. :)

Amy (mom to Zazie) and Jill (mom to Oscar and Lincoln) have provided this lovely text to copy and paste in email / text message form. Just add a photo of your little one reading!

Dear XX,

(Kids' name here)'s summer Read-a-thon is drawing to a close and we're hoping you will consider supporting their efforts with a donation, which will benefit the PTA of his/her public school, the Neighborhood School (PS 363). The PTA funds the entire visual arts program at the school along with the performing arts program, teacher assistants, school garden, and so much more.

Aside from the money-raising, the Read-a-thon has been great at motivating (Kids' name here) to read throughout the summer. And they've read some great books over the past two months; some of their favorites were: Holes, The Conspiracy of Ravens, Tiger Rising, Raymie Nightingale, and they flew through eight of the books in the Sisters Grimm series. In total, they have read XX (INSERT estimate # and real book titles) books.

A donation in the range of \$40-\$100 would be a great way to help (KIDS' NAME)'s school and help the PTA start off with some much needed money in the bank. If you can do that amount, great! If not, whatever donation will be much appreciated by us and her school! All donations are tax-deductible. You can use [this link](#) here to pay with credit or debit card or via PayPal. Finally, we're trying to get all donations in by October 3rd, if you can swing it.

More information about the Neighborhood School is [here](#).

Many thanks and lots of love!

(Your name)

# TNS SPOTLIGHT



**ALICE AUTH, LCSW**  
**EARLY CHILDHOOD SOCIAL WORKER**

Alice has been a social worker for 20 years, working mainly within public schools. She is the mother of three young children: ages 11, 10, and 8. She knows the challenges of managing working and family life and keeping a good sense of humor.

Alice Auth is the Early Childhood Social Worker assigned to our school and several other schools in District 1. She will spend time in the lower grade classrooms getting to know students and supporting teachers in their work to meet the students' emotional and social development needs.

Topics Alice has helped families with in the past include:

- Transition and adjustment to school
- Grief, loss, and family changes
- Understanding the development of 3, 4, and 5 year olds
- Managing your child's big feelings and challenging behaviors
- Supporting your child academically and emotionally in school
- Navigating the CPSE process (getting extra support services for your child)

Alice Auth and Noemi Mora will have a Support Group once a month beginning Wednesday, October 16: **“Managing Your Child’s Big Feelings and Challenging Behavior.”** Alice is also available to meet with families to discuss personal matters or to share resources. We welcome anyone who is interested. It’s informative and supportive.

Alice’s dates at TNS:

\*\* indicates a family support/discussion date

The other dates are for class visits and meetings with parents by appointment

	Jan. 7 (Tuesday)	<b>April 21 (Tuesday)**</b>
Oct. 2 (Wednesday)	<b>Jan. 21 (Tuesday)**</b>	May 5 (Tuesday)
<b>Oct. 16 (Wednesday)**</b>	Feb. 4 (Tuesday)	<b>May 19 (Tuesday)**</b>
Oct. 30 (Wednesday)	<b>Feb. 25 (Tuesday)**</b>	June 2 (Tuesday)
<b>Nov. 13 (Wednesday)**</b>	Mar. 10 (Tuesday)	June 17 (Tuesday)
Nov. 27 (Wednesday)	<b>Mar. 24 (Tuesday)**</b>	
<b>Dec. 10 (Tuesday)**</b>	April 7 (Tuesday)	and other dates as needed

You can reach Alice through email: [AAuth@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:AAuth@schools.nyc.gov)



### School Tours:

Do you kinda low key love TNS? #NBD Do you still remember the spark you felt when you walked through the doors? (aka the dumb blind luck of somehow winning the public school

lottery?) Would you like to spread some of your wisdom and pay it forward (while maybe attracting some of the most awesome families in NYC) on a School Tour?

YOU LUCKY DUCK!

THE FIRST SCHOOL TOUR IS THIS FRIDAY OCTOBER 4TH

(All tours will be held on Fridays from 8:45 -10am and you can stay for a mere 30 min!)

As a tour guide, you'll be paired up with 5th graders (who lead the tours) and you'll help them do a walk-through of the classrooms and answer any parent-specific questions.

Are you a DAD with a flexible schedule?! Elinor thinks Dads volunteering are the bees knees. Please sign the google doc right away. Moms and other caregivers please sign up, because I am signing up and I want to meet everyone in this place. :) Any questions email:

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<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1nTLhGb4esRTQtarxjkC5W848VjE6318KBkhdI9oppkQ/edit?usp=sharing>



We're on Instagram!  
[@neighborhoodgram](https://www.instagram.com/neighborhoodgram)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TNSNY>

**TNS Facebook Group for current families only**

*You can view the livestream of PTA meetings on the FB Group page*

In an effort to reduce email fatigue, we are trying something new (this handy dandy newsletter). Please submit announcements by Friday [ptaparentengagement@tnsny.org](mailto:ptaparentengagement@tnsny.org)

Of course, there are exceptions, don't sweat it!



Have a great week!

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