

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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

TUESDAY 10/22

Family Thriving: Positive Parenting Group
8:35am

WEDNESDAY 10/23

Dyanthe's Morning Hour
8:30am in the PTA room

THURSDAY 10/24

Parent Discussion Group: Dyslexia, 8:30am

FRIDAY 10/25

LUNCH



MONDAY 10/21

Grilled Cheese
Roasted Broccoli and Cauliflower
Salad Bar: Garden Greens

TUESDAY 10/22

Roasted Chicken Thighs
Sweet Plantains
Dinner Roll
Salad Bar: Traditional & Tomato Salad

WEDNESDAY 10/23

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

THURSDAY 10/24

Garden Committee, 8:30am

Fall Family Celebration, times vary according to class

Friday, October 25 is the deadline to submit box tops!



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

FRIDAY 10/25

Margherita Pizza
Green Garden Salad
Ranch Carrot Snacker
Salad Bar: Pizza Toppings & Cranberry
Chickpea Salad

NEIGHBORHOOD HALLOWEEN

THE NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL PRESENTS



ALL
PK-5
STUDENTS
AND
FAMILIES
ARE
WELCOME!

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2018

5:15 - 6:30 PM

4TH STREET COURTYARD

AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL/STAR ACADEMY
121 EAST 3RD STREET - ENTER THROUGH SCHOOL

Join us for Neighborhood Halloween!

Thursday, October 31 from 5:15 – 6:30 in the 4th Street Courtyard (enter through the school)

Wear your costumes! Themed Silent Discos! Photo Station! Ghoulish Games! Trick or Treating and more! All area PK–5 students and families are welcome. Invite your friends and neighbors!

TNS OUTSIDERS

For the first few Sundays of this school year, my kids and I have gone to the Rockaway beach with other TNS families. The weather was great, and the water clear, clean and warm for the Atlantic.

We saw humpback whales, porpoises and other wildlife while enjoying some time with family and our TNS friends. And we roughed out an idea for a new school club, The TNS Outsiders.

It's a simple idea with three general goals:

1. Get our kids outside and in nature. There is a lot of opportunity for this in NYC.
2. Expand our community past our kids' main groups of friends.

3. Build a sense of adventure.

If your family is doing something outside that is exciting and you'd like to share, then please do! I'm thinking of the Outsiders as an open play date -- all are welcome! The only "rules" are (1) be kind and (2) keep the screens at home. (We are going to be outside, for goodness sake.) (3) This is not camp to drop your kids off at, just families getting together and having fun outdoors.

Our family happened to be at a park this summer and ran into another TNS family whose older child was Louen's age. Louen had never been in any of her classes, but they became fast friends, as kids do, and we all had a great day. This is how I hope the Outsiders will work.

I have a few ideas for some meet-ups and plan to have about one a month, weather permitting. I'm planning a trip to Catbird playground in Carl Schurz Park, next to Gracie Mansion. Catbird is a great, large playground that looks like it hasn't changed in 40 years, There's plenty of space for kids and adults.

And the Governors Island ferry runs till the 31 so let's go on **Sunday, October 27th!**

You can take the ferry from Battery Maritime Building in Manhattan or Pier 6 at Atlantic Avenue in Brooklyn Bridge Park. The first boats leave at 10 a.m. from Manhattan and 11 a.m. from Brooklyn, and is free until 11:30 a.m. I was thinking it would be fun to bring a soccer ball and a Frisbee, but there are so many things to do on the Island you would have to work at not to having fun. I think it might make sense to meet at the slides from 11 to 12. I hope to see you there.

There are many other fun outdoor destinations in NYC, so let's get together and go explore.

Tim Seiber
Dad of Louen and Reed



It's not too soon to start thinking about holiday gifts! Grandpa loves that hand-drawn octopus mug.

Please keep an eye out for ORIGINAL WORKS packets in backpack mail later this week. Original Works is a creative opportunity to support your child and our school by ordering custom keepsakes featuring your child's very own artwork. Each backpack mail package will include paper for your child's future masterpiece.

Learn more about this program here www.originalworks.com/parents

ORIGINAL WORKS DEADLINE:
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Questions? Please contact ptaevents@tnsny.org

PARTICIPATORY FUNDING NEEDS YOUR HEART ASAP

Do you have FIVE SECONDS to click [this link](#) and push the **HEART** for a Tech Upgrade for our school?

The Grants Committee has been hard at work and has submitted a proposal money from for tech upgrades for our library and classrooms! We have not reached the voting stage yet and they are just gauging interest.

The NYC City Council Participatory Budget Cycle 9 proposal includes: tech upgrade includes 120 Chromebooks (30 per classroom; set for library) @ \$355.26 ea = \$42,631, 4 security carts (1 per 4/5 classroom; 1 for library) \$1485 x 4 = 5,936, 32 iPads (for lower grades) – stored in library. \$308 x 30 = \$9,240, Updated projector/whiteboard in library: \$4,510 for a total of \$62,317.00.

We need people to "heart" and comment ASAP.

The link is here:

<http://ideas.pbnyc.org/place/607081>



HOLIDAY FAIR

Announcing one of the PTA's biggest and best events of the school year.....The Holiday Fair.

Are you available for setting up the fair on Saturday December 14th and/or participating in the actual event on Sunday December 15th. Volunteering for 1 hour, 2 hours, or even 4 hours...all the help is welcome.

This TNS community celebration tradition, enjoyed by the entire neighborhood, features fun activities like Car Derby, Box Maze, Make A Banner, Spa Corner, Maker-Faire, Claymation station and a Book Fair. For information or if you have time/ideas/skills/or passions to contribute to the Holiday Fair, email ptaevents@tnsny.org.

MOVIE NIGHT

The first Movie Night of the year is coming up Friday, November 8th! Held in the auditorium downstairs, it's a fun way to relax at the end of the week. Kids get to watch the movie with their friends, and parents can chat, chill or cozy up with their families as they choose. Amanda Riesman is leading the Movie Night charge, and she needs your help! Easy shifts from 1-3 hrs long are available during Movie Night, as well as a couple of prep shifts before the event itself. And we are always looking for restaurant and food partners for donations. If you are interested, please contact Amanda at amandadora@riesman.com or email ptaevents@tnsny.org.

SCHOOL TOURS

We need volunteers for the next tour on Friday 10/25 at 8:40am. Stay for 30 minutes or the whole time! The last group of 5th grade tour guides was incredibly inspiring and it's worth it for the opportunity to listen to the children. Contact Elinor elinor.tatum@gmail.com.



**STAY
CONNECTED!**

We're on Instagram!
@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

If you shop at Amazon please visit smile.amazon.com to add PTA of the Neighborhood School to your account. AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible

products to the PTA.



Fall is here
I can tell that we are gonna be friends
