

# NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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

### MONDAY 12/9

[Volunteer for Holiday Fair!](#)

Class Parents have assignments

### TUESDAY 12/10

PTA Exec Meeting, 8:30am

Alice Auth Support Group (Children with Big Feelings), 8:30am

### WEDNESDAY 12/11

Dyanthe's Morning Hour, 8:30am

[Volunteer for Holiday Fair!](#)

## LUNCH



### MONDAY 12/9

Mac-n-Cheese or Veggie Tacos

Toasted Garlic Bread

Baked Broccoli

Salad Bar Garden Greens

### TUESDAY 12/10

Baked Chicken Tenders & Dipping Sauce

Baked Sweet Potato Waffle Fries

Baked Tostitos Scoops with Salsa Cup

Salad Bar Traditional Featuring Mushroom

Medley

### WEDNESDAY 12/11

Chicken & Cheese Quesadillas

**THURSDAY 12/12**

Book Fair

[What y'all doing at Holiday Fair?](#)

**FRIDAY 12/13**

Book Fair

Ice Skating (Dara, Shaquawn & Dianne, Caroline & Grace, Matt, Tiffany, and Joanne & Sofia's)

Popcorn Friday

**SATURDAY 12/14**

[HOLIDAY FAIR SET UP](#)

**SUNDAY 12/15**

[HOLIDAY FAIR](#)

11am-5pm

Confetti Corn

Grab-n-Go Asian Sesame Chicken Salad  
Salad Bar Taco Bar

**THURSDAY 12/12**

Hamburgers & Cheeseburgers  
Baked French Fries  
Fresh New York Apples  
Grab-n-Go Asian Sesame Chicken Salad  
Salad Bar Burger/Sandwich Fixin's

**FRIDAY 12/6**

Chicken Ranch Pizza  
Green Garden Salad  
Salad Bar Pizza Toppings Featuring Cold  
Chickpea Salad

## KINSHIP CAMPAIGN



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### The Neighborhood School's Kinship Campaign

Thank you to all TNS families who have already given -- please forward this message to your family and friends!

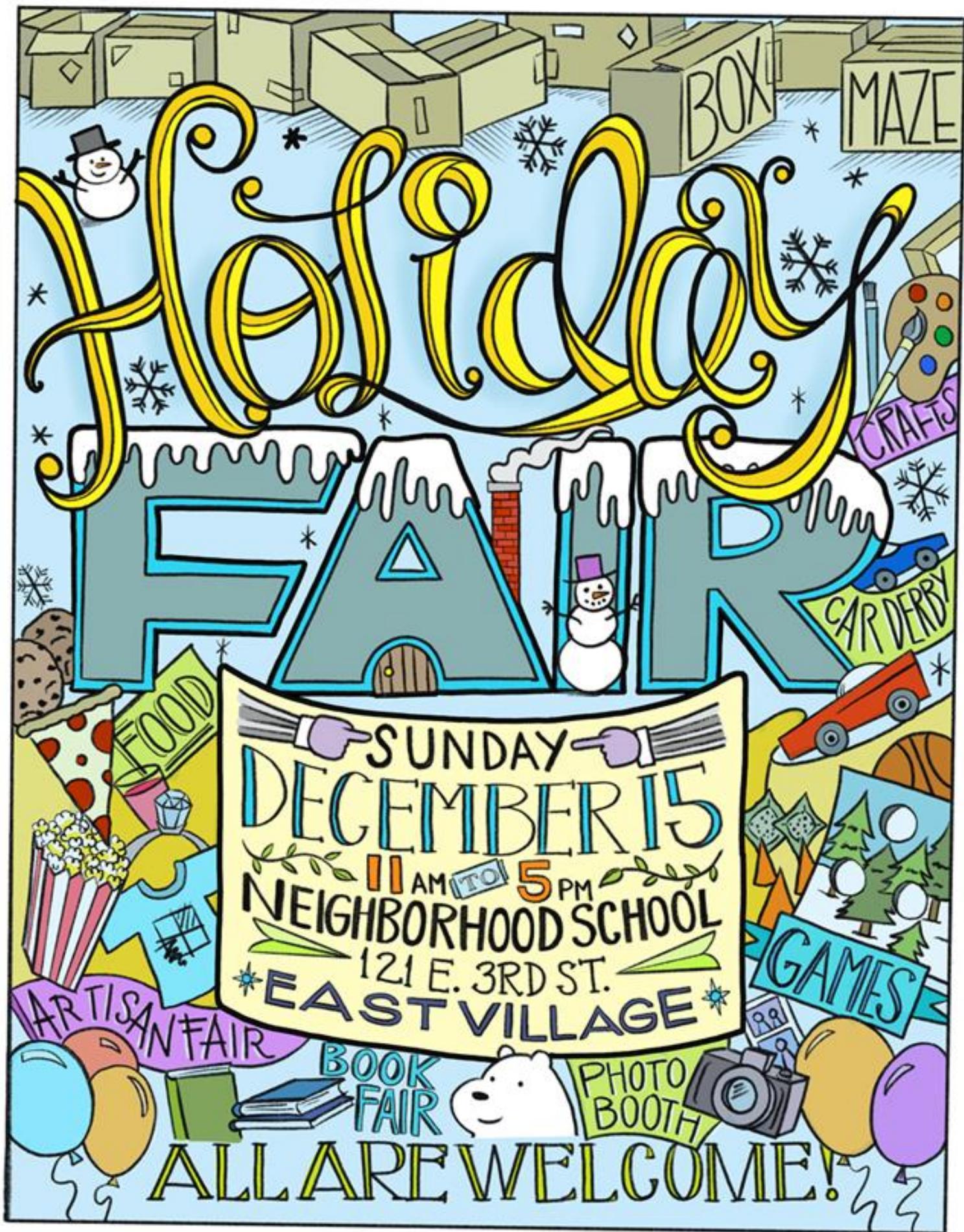
We value the progressive education that the Neighborhood School provides our children:

a curriculum that takes the lead from their curiosity, freedom to explore, and a culture where everyone is welcome. Unfortunately, public school funding only gets us part of the way there.

Our school needs your support in continuing to provide a progressive public school education to our elementary school students. Please support our Kinship Campaign by donating abundantly, generously and according to your ability. Ask your friends and family to do the same.

[https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/kinship-campaign?  
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## HOLIDAY FAIR



The Neighborhood School's beloved Holiday Fair is back! On Sunday, December 15 from 11 am to 5 pm, join us to support a local public school and have a blast. Bring friends and family. There will be arts & crafts, face-painting, henna tattooing, a huge kid-built cardboard maze, and great food from neighborhood vendors. And check out the Artisan Fest where vendors will sell jewelry, artwork, clothes and more.

This is a great (and cheap) way to have fun indoors with your kids on a chilly winter's day; you

can have a nosh to eat and shop for some great items while your kids run around playing and art-making with their friends.

Admission to the Holiday Fair is free, activities are low-cost, and it is open to the public. All proceeds from the Holiday Fair support the Neighborhood School PTA, a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization that pays for the school's art and music education, field trips, classroom supplies, special programs, and teacher support.

## COAT SWAP



DECEMBER 2019

# TNS Coat Swap

Take a Coat ~ Leave a Coat  
Men / Women / Teen / Children  
Please leave clean coats, snow pants and  
other winter gear, on hangers if possible



# TNS SPOTLIGHT



Amanda Tracy, M.S., CCC-SLP, TSSLD  
Speech-Language Pathologist

Hi! My name is Amanda Tracy, a speech-language pathologist at TNS. I grew up on the Jersey Shore, attended Northeastern University in Boston, and now call New York City my home. My mom has been a special education teacher for more than 20 years and was my inspiration for going into education myself. When I was a little kid, I even had a “mock” classroom in my basement because I knew I wanted to be a teacher! I’ve always enjoyed working with children because I love seeing them progress and grow their confidence through improved language and communication. In my spare time, I love to travel, try new restaurants, exercise, watch movies, hangout with my family, and spend time at the beach!

This is my fourth year teaching at TNS. I am here full time– five days a week, and feel so fortunate to be a part of this school community. I treat a large caseload of students Pre-K through 5th grade with diagnosed speech and language impairments. I like finding current, creative, and innovative ways to apply therapy. I’m part of the Student Support Team (SST), in which I have the opportunity to meet with my interdisciplinary team members and classroom

teachers weekly to discuss next steps for children. In addition to my speech and language “scope of practice”, I also collaborate with K/1 classroom teachers to implement the Sounds in Motion (SIM) literacy program, as part of the Literacy Initiative in District 1. This year, I’m working with Shaniqua and Catlin’s classes to carry out the program and I’m in both classes two times a week. We start the year learning letters and sounds and end the year with fun literacy centers and activities. Make sure to stop by one of my SIM Informational Sessions for Families when they’re offered to learn more!

I am so grateful for my job because helping children find their “voice” is really rewarding work. I love learning, collaborating, and being helpful! I hope to continue learning more about my practice in addition to sharing my clinical expertise with TNS staff members and families. You can email me at [amanda@tnsny.org](mailto:amanda@tnsny.org) and can always find me in Room 303 (to the left of the main office). Please feel free to stop by and introduce yourself one day!



The Holiday Fair here! If it's your first year, you are in for a treat when your kids feast their eyes on that crazy Box Maze. So many fun activities! Sign up! We're all doing it! Any questions about your assignment contact your class parent or Matthieu and Olly [ptaevents@tnsny.org](mailto:ptaevents@tnsny.org)

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1mmpelDEM9YCT2lmtPTuyyNS5R5FyoPKIpHvllwd3PAM/edit#gid=854904633>



**We're on Instagram!**  
**@neighborhoodgram**

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

**TNS Facebook Group for current families only**

*View the livestream of PTA meetings here!*

*Our Facebook Group and Instagram Page is private and for current TNS families only*

*All others are welcome to follow our public Facebook Page*

<https://www.facebook.com/TheNeighborhoodSchool/>

Please submit announcements by Thursday [ptaparentengagement@tnsny.org](mailto:ptaparentengagement@tnsny.org)

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