

**January
PTA Meeting
January 16th, 2026**



Agenda

- Call to Order
- Approval of Minutes
- Co-President Report
- Principal's Report
- Fundraising Report
- Afterschool Report
- Treasurer Report
- Voting

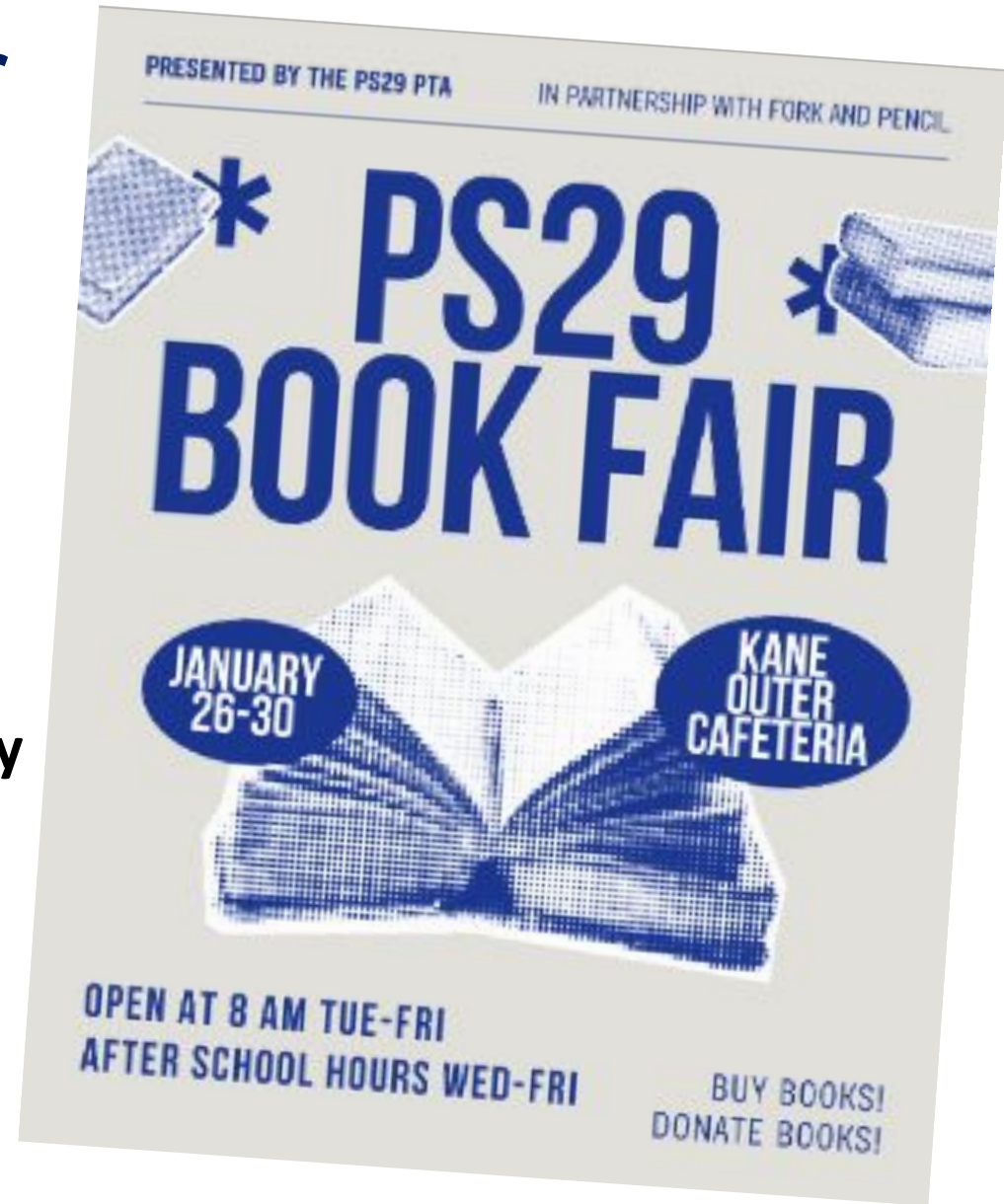
Co-President Report

Upcoming Winter Events

- **Martin Luther King Jr. Day (NO SCHOOL)** **Monday, January 19th**
- **PS29 Book Fair** **January 26th - 30th**
- **School Photo Retake Day** **Thursday, February 5th**
- **February PTA Meeting (on Zoom)** **Thursday, February 12th, 6:30pm**
- **Midwinter Recess (NO SCHOOL)** **February 16th - 20th**
- **Super Science Saturday** **Saturday, March 7th**

The PS29 Book Fair

- Partnering with Fork & Pencil
- 30% of proceeds will go to PS29
- Partnering with PS15 in Red Hook to help build their library.
- Hours of operation:
 - 8 - 8:30 AM Tuesday through Friday
 - After school on Wednesday and Thursday from 2:50 - 5 PM
 - Friday from 2:50 - 4 PM



2026-27 Open Board Positions

- Several positions on the PS29 PTA will be available for the 2026-27 school year.

More to come in the coming months!

- If you are interested in learning more now, email us at **ps29pta@gmail.com**.

Principal's Report *with* **Dr. Fagin**

Principal Updates

What's happening at 29?

- Shakespeare collaboration began in 1st grade
- Improv collaboration began in 5th grade
- Chess begins soon in 2nd grade
- P.S. 29 Chess Team came in 3rd place last weekend at a chess tournament
- 5th grade musical - info meeting on Tuesday; auditions are next week
- Chen dance for 3rd grade in conjunction with study of China
- Comfort Dog visit today, 1/16

Coming Up...

- Black History Month in February
- Respect For All Week - week of 2/8/26
 - Collaboration with NYC Kids
- Lion Dance performance
- Parent Talk with psychotherapist Zoe Bisbing, Founder of Body Positive Therapy NYC in conjunction with Wellness, SLT sub-committee
- Peer Mediation Training
- Lunch & Learn with Families
- Device Ban in Schools - Yondr pouches for student devices will launch soon...

Professional Development & Instructional Planning: Half Day

- *Details for Half Day*
 - 3/19 - 11:50 AM dismissal
 - After school coordination with camps/local opportunities for enrichment
 - Limited contingency plan for those who cannot make alternative arrangements
 - 2 hours of PD and instructional planning
 - MTSS (multi-tiered systems of support)
 - Intervention programs
 - Small group instruction
 - Differentiation based on data

Fundraising Report

Direct Appeal 2025-26

THIS YEAR'S GOAL: \$195K

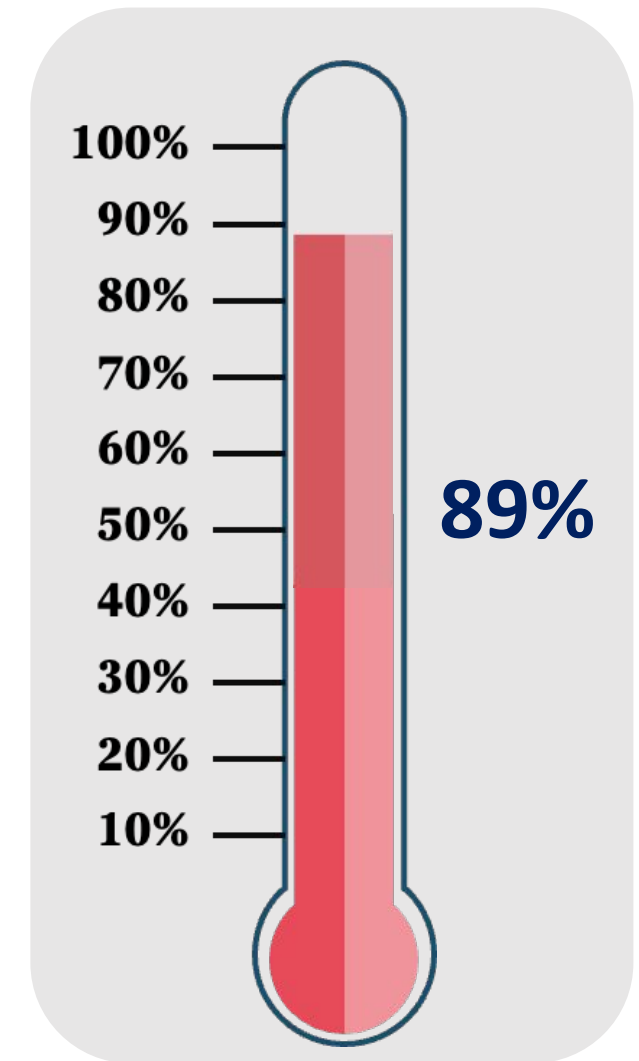
Collected to date: \$174K or 89% of our goal

What do we use funds for?

- PROGRAM SUPPORT
- ARTS, MUSIC & THEATER ENRICHMENT
- LITERACY, MATH & SCIENCE ENRICHMENT
- PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- SUPPLIES, ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT, & CAPITAL MAINTENANCE

Donations can be made at:

- <https://ps29pta.kindful.com>
- By check payable to PS29
- Via your employer



Afterschool Report

with **Marie Isner**

5th Grade Play

- The Spongebob Musical
- Auditions: January 20th and 22nd
- Rehearsals begin: January 27th
- Will be run by Marie Isner & PS29+
- Directed by Patrick O'Connell



Treasurer Report

Budget Snapshot as of Dec-31-2025

	2025-26			2024-25
	ACTUAL	GOAL	% of GOAL	% of GOAL
NET CONTRIBUTIONS				
Fundraising (direct appeal & corp. matching)	\$174K	\$195K	89%	91%
Merchandise Sales, Book Fair & Photo Day	\$3K	\$19K	17%	28%
Community Events & Activities	\$23K	\$106K	22%	12%
<i>Movie Night</i>	\$6.2K	\$1.5K	414%	320%
<i>PS29 Cheers</i>	\$3.4K	\$4K	84%	95%
<i>Rummage Sale</i>	\$6.8K	\$13.5K	51%	78%
<i>Eat Pie & Shop</i>	\$15K	\$12K	125%	120%
After School Program (accretive to the budget with assessed parental fees)	\$37K	\$208K	18%	46%
<div><div>Notable revenue in December:<ul style="list-style-type: none">+\$123K in donations incl. corporate matching+\$12K from Eat Pie & Shop+\$3.7K from Merch sales</div><div>Notable expenses in December:<ul style="list-style-type: none">-\$12K for 4th Grade ballroom dancing-\$2.1K for Library & Tech supplies-\$1.5K for Staff holiday gifts</div></div>				

Voting

Co-Treasurer Role

- **Samar Maziad** is a Vice President and Senior Analyst at Moody's Sovereign Risk Group in New York. She is the lead credit analyst for a portfolio of Latin American sovereigns. Prior to joining Moody's, Ms. Maziad was a Senior Economist at the International Monetary Fund.
- Samar holds a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of St. Andrews in the UK. She is a native of Egypt and fluent in Arabic, English, French, and Spanish.
- Samar is a mother of a PS29 third grader.



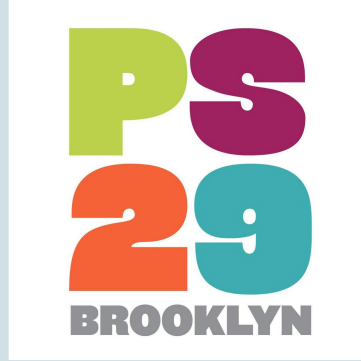
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Professional Development Half-Day Vote

Requesting approval for the ***possibility*** of using March 19th as a half-day for teacher professional development and planning.

Co-Treasurer Emergency Election

Requesting approval for appointing **Samar Maziad** to the position of Co-Treasurer for the remainder of 2025-27 treasurer term.



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