

**February  
PTA Meeting  
February 12th, 2026**



# Agenda

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

# **Co-President Report**

# Upcoming Spring Events

- **Midwinter Recess (NO SCHOOL)** February 16th - 20th
- **Parent-teacher conferences (HALF-DAY)** Thursday, March 5th
- **Super Science Saturday** Saturday, March 7th
- **March PTA Meeting (in person)** Wednesday, March 18th, 8:40am
- **Teacher Prof. Development (HALF DAY)** Thursday, March 19th
- **Eid al-Fitr (NO SCHOOL)** Friday, March 20th
- **Spring Recess (NO SCHOOL)** April 2nd - 10th

# Super Science Saturday

- This year's theme is WATER
- You do not need to be a PS29 student to attend, please invite all your friends and family!
- We rely heavily on volunteers for this event, please consider volunteering in one of three ways:
  - Adult volunteers
  - PS29 4th & 5th grade volunteers
  - PS29 Alums (some schools will count this toward science credits)



# 2026-27 Open Board Positions

- Available positions for the 2026-27 school year:
  - Co-President
  - Co-Treasurer
  - VP of Fundraising (2 positions)
  - VP of Communications
- If you are interested in learning more now, email us at [ps29pta@gmail.com](mailto:ps29pta@gmail.com).
- **SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, March 18th - Coffee and Meet & Greet with Board**



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

# Principal Updates

## ***What's happening this month at 29?***

- Black History Month...
  - African jazz band performance, 2/25
  - School-wide read alouds:
    - *Jabari Jumps* (Gaia Cornwall) - Pre-K, K, and 1st grade
    - *How Do You Spell Unfair?* (author: Carole Boston Weatherford; illustrator: Frank Morrison) - 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade
    - *Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History* (Vasti Harrison) - (All grades)
- Lion Dance, 2/6
- Respect For All Week, 2/9-2/23
  - NYC Kids puppet show and inclusion programming
- Chess collaboration in 2nd grade has begun
- Comfort Dog visit tomorrow, 2/13
- Parent Talk with psychotherapist Zoe Bisbing, Founder of Body Positive Therapy NYC in conjunction with Wellness, SLT sub-committee, 2/26
- Standardized Testing Meeting for 3rd-5th Grade Families, 3/31
- 3rd-5th Grade ELA Tests, 4/16 and 4/17

# Principal Updates

## Coming up next month...

- Yoga, Music, & Movement - Pre-K and K begins on 3/3
- Author/Illustrator Visit with Jon Burgerman (*Beginning, Middle, and End*)
- 5th grade Improve share, 3/25
- 1st grade Shakespeare share, 3/27
- Lunch & Learn with Families - stay tuned...
- Standardized Testing Meeting for 3rd-5th Grade Families, 3/31
- 3rd-5th Grade NYS Tests
  - ELA , 4/16 and 4/17
  - Math , 4/28 and 4/29
  - Science- 5th Grade Only- 5/13

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# REMINDER: Professional Development and Instructional Planning: Half Day on Thursday, March 19th

- ***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

# Device Ban Locking Mechanism: Yondr Pouch

- **To launch in March**
- **Students who bring devices to school will receive their own Yondr Pouch**
  - Remains in the backpack
  - Locks upon closure
  - Unlocks with Magnet operated by the teacher or after school admin depending on the students' dismissal time for that day

# **Fundraising Report**



# Direct Appeal 2025-26

**THIS YEAR'S GOAL: \$195K**

**Collected to date: \$207K or  
105% 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

**EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE REACHED OUR FUNDRAISING GOAL, WE STILL  
NEED YOUR SUPPORT! PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING YOUR TIME AND  
SUPPORT TO THE PTA COMMUNITY EVENTS!**

# The Benefit & Auction

**Thursday, May 14th, 7-10pm, Strong Rope Brewery in Red Hook**

- The planning and the outreach have officially began!
- We are actively looking for volunteers for the following sub-committees:
  - **Auction:** help with sourcing items for the silent and live auctions
  - **Event planning:** help with the event
- If interested, please email [ps29auction@gmail.com](mailto:ps29auction@gmail.com) and indicate which committee you are interested in



# **Afterschool Report**

*with* **Marie Isner**

# Treasurer Report

# Budget Snapshot as of Jan-31-2026

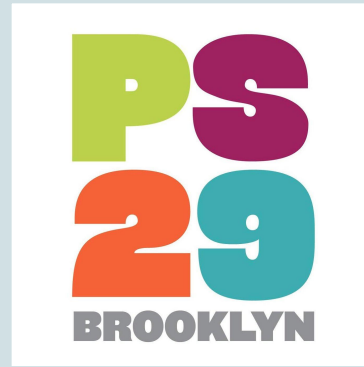
NET CONTRIBUTIONS	2025-26			2024-25
	ACTUAL	GOAL	% of GOAL	% of GOAL
Fundraising (direct appeal & corp. matching)	\$207K	\$196K	106%	101%
Merchandise Sales, Book Fair & Photo Day	\$12K	\$19K	64%	71%
Community Events & Activities	\$30K	\$106K	28%	16%
<i>Movie Night</i>	\$6.2K	\$1.5K	414%	320%
<i>PS29 Cheers</i>	\$3.4K	\$4K	84%	95%
<i>Rummage Sale</i>	\$6.8K	\$13.5K	51%	78%
<i>Eat Pie &amp; Shop</i>	\$15K	\$12K	126%	111%
After School Program (accretive to the budget with assessed parental fees)	\$59K	\$208K	28%	61%

## Notable revenue in January:

- +\$32K Direct Appeal & Corporate Matching
- +\$10K Book Fair Sales

## Notable expenses in January:

- \$19K Pre K & K Yoga Enrichment
- \$14K Professional Development
- \$8K 2nd & 3rd Grade Chess Enrichment



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**Wednesday, March 18th**  
**8:40am in School Auditorium**