

**March
PTA Meeting
March 18th, 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

- **Teacher Prof. Development (HALF DAY)** **Thursday, March 19th**
- **Eid al-Fitr (NO SCHOOL)** **Friday, March 20th**
- **Learning Support Comm. Presentation** **Tuesday, March 24th 8:30am**
- **Volunteer with Service Collective** **Saturday, March 28th**
- **Spring Recess (NO SCHOOL)** **April 2nd - 10th**
- **April PTA Meeting + Board Meet&Greet** **Thursday, April 16th (6pm)**
- **PS29 Benefit & Auction** **Thursday, May 14th**

New Merchandise!



Volunteer Opportunities with



- **February Service Project:**

30 students decorated 300 cookies and made Valentine cards for **Cobble Hill Health Center**

- **March Service Project:**

40 students will be drawing portraits of animals and making cat toys for **Animal Care Centers of NYC.**

**Portraits draw attention to animals and help them find forever homes.*

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.
- **Thursday, April 16th - Coffee and Meet & Greet with Board (childcare will be provided)**



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

Principal Updates

What's happening this month at 29?

- **Women's History Month**
 - *Her Story: Lunch & Learn with Her*
 - So far...
 - Theater techniques
 - Food and where it comes from, sustainable practices
 - Culinary arts, how to shape pasta
- **Author Visit**
 - Jon Burgerman, *Beginning, Middle, End* - 3/10
- **How to Talk with our Kids about Race & Identity**
 - Teacher-led workshop for families in conjunction with our Equity Committee
 - As an extension - *Raising Antiracist Children* (Brit Hawthorne) book club for families
- **Chess, yoga, Shakespeare, Improv collaborations**
 - 5th grade Improve share, 3/25
 - 1st grade Shakespeare share, 3/26 and 3/27
- **Health & Wellness**
 - Parent Talk with psychotherapist Zoe Bisbing, Founder of Body Positive Therapy NYC in conjunction with Wellness, SLT sub-committee, 2/26
 - Healthy Development Talk with Ashleigh Petillo, Department Chair of Health at Packer
 - Workshop for families, 3/16
 - Workshop for students, 3/24, 4/14, 5/11, 5/13
- **Standardized Testing Meeting for 3rd-5th Grade Families, 3/31**
- **3rd-5th Grade ELA Tests,**
 - ELA , 4/16 and 4/17
 - Math , 4/28 and 4/29
 - Science- 5th Grade Only- 5/13

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

- **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

Construction Update

- **Server Kitchen Floor:** Removal of the existing floor and installation of new quarry tile.
- **Soffit Work Around FSD (Area of Rescue Rooms)**
- **HVAC Unit Replacement**
- **Electrical Conduit & Wiring Installation:** ongoing
- **DSF Container Delivery Scheduled for 2/17:** Items from all rooms adjacent to the elevator will be stored in the container so that the rooms can be emptied.
- **Plaster and Paint:** Patching and painting of walls around replacement doors, as well as painting of new doors (ongoing)

Post Construction: Envisioning a New Yard

- **Consideration of grants**
- **Capital improvement funding opportunities**
- **Council Members and Borough President's Offices**

Fundraising Report



Direct Appeal 2025-26

THIS YEAR'S GOAL: \$195K

**Collected to date: \$220K or
113% 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!**



PS 29 Benefit & Auction
Night on the Canal
May, 14, 2026

The Benefit & Auction

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

NEW FOR 2026!

- THEME: NIGHT ON THE CANAL
- 2 tickets will be part of \$10 raffle
- \$20 child drop off at Champion Martial Arts 6:30-9:00 PM
- Higher venue capacity

- We are actively looking for **items** for the silent and life auction

- For any questions or suggestions, please email ps29auction@gmail.com

Afterschool Report

with **Marie Isner**

Treasurer Report

Budget Snapshot as of Feb-28-2026

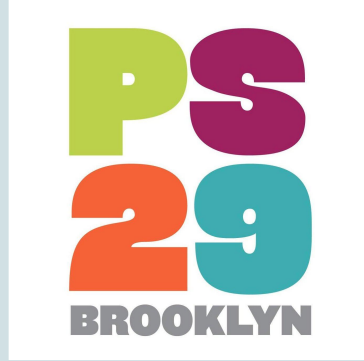
| NET CONTRIBUTIONS | 2025-26 | | | 2024-25 |
|--|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| | ACTUAL | GOAL | % of GOAL | % of GOAL |
| Fundraising (direct appeal & corp. matching) | \$220K | \$196K | 113% | 103% |
| Merchandise Sales, Book Fair & Photo Day | \$5K | \$19K | 29% | 64% |
| Community Events & Activities | \$21K | \$106K | 20% | 14% |
| <i>Movie Night</i> | \$6.2K | \$1.5K | 414% | 312% |
| <i>PS29 Cheers</i> | \$3.4K | \$4K | 84% | 95% |
| <i>Rummage Sale</i> | \$6.8K | \$13.5K | 51% | 77% |
| <i>Eat Pie & Shop</i> | \$15K | \$12K | 126% | 111% |
| After School Program (accretive to the budget with assessed parental fees) | \$126K | \$208K | 61% | 104% |

Notable revenue in February:

- +\$14K Direct Appeal & Corporate Matching
- +\$4.6K Book Fair revenue (across Jan & Feb)
- +0.7K Merchandise Sales

Notable expenses in February:

- \$18K Pre K & K Yoga Enrichment
- \$5.3K Cultural Performances
- \$2.9K Newspaper



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6:00pm in Kane St. Cafeteria
(childcare and pizza will be provided)**