



Principal's Winter Newsletter



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Happy Holidays!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very healthy and peaceful holiday season! On behalf of myself, Assistant Principal Figueroa and the entire PS 147 staff we thank you for entrusting us with your children.

NY Cares Event!

On Saturday, October 21, 2017, PS 147 and NY Cares partnered for NY Cares Day. This citywide event focuses on the beautification of public schools around New York City. On this day, members of the PS 147 community, parents, staff and over 80 NY Cares volunteers came out and helped make our school beautiful. Murals, gardening, painting and organization were some of the areas of focus. We thank NY Cares for their partnership and everyone who came out and joined us in this collaborative effort.

Puerto Rico Relief Efforts

During the month of October, our staff, students and parents worked together to collect donations for Puerto Rico Relief Efforts. We commemorated this donation drive with a Puerto Rico Relief Effort Assembly. Our special guest, Bomba Yo, put on an electrifying assembly for our students and parents. Fire Engine 218 was also on board to pick up our donated items to send to Puerto Rico. What an amazing show of support from our school community!! I look forward to future collaborative fundraising efforts to help those in need.

Enrichment Programs

I am pleased to share some wonderful news with you. Our school, in partnership with City Lore is the recipient of a DOE Arts Partnership Grant, Arts for ELLs and SWDs. This grant will focus on engaging students in grades 3 - 5 to gather and interpret stories of the people who live within their community through interviews with classmates, neighbors and family members. Students will prepare a performance for the PS 147 school community and families at the end of the year.

For the third year in a row, our school has also been awarded the Arts Family and Engagement Grant, which is funded by the Cultural Arts Exchange.





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Other highlights!

As you know, PS 147 received \$400,000 in Participatory Budgeting Funds to initiate the necessary upgrade to our auditorium. The School Construction Authority has begun the walkthrough assessment of our auditorium and I am hopeful that work will begin shortly. Many thanks to our entire school community for their efforts.

The Reso A Supplemental Cooling Installation is already underway! Updates will be shared with families as they become available.

PS 147 is now on Twitter and Instagram!
Follow us:

On Instagram @ PS147K

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Did you Know?

PS 147's Pre-Kindergarten is amongst the best in our district!! Our pre-k program was recently evaluated by the NYCDOE's Office of Early Childhood. Out of a possible 7.00 score, our school was awarded a 6.47!! We are also a 4 Star Quality Stars NY School!

Our Pre-K program was also recently evaluated by The Classroom Assessment Scoring System or CLASS. This evaluation system organizes interactions across three broad domains: emotional support, classroom organization and instructional support. I am pleased to share that our pre-k program scored above the NYC DOE average in all three domains. A special thank you to Ms. Eliza Figueroa, Assistant Principal, the Pre-Kindergarten teachers and Educational Assistants on a job well done!!

Ms. Noyola is part of the Cahn's Fellow Program. The Cahn Fellows Program for Distinguished Principals at Teachers College, Columbia University is committed to recognizing outstanding principals and providing them with opportunities for professional, intellectual and personal growth. Ms. Noyola's allies in this work are Ms. Eliza Figueroa, Assistant Principal and Mr. Mark Levine, Staff Developer. Together, alongside Pre-K and Grade 5 teachers, they will explore a longitudinal action-research study with the focus question: How can we change teacher pedagogy so that learning is student-centered? Congratulations!!!





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Leader of the Month!

In collaboration with the Leader In Me program, we have implemented a new initiative: Leader of the Month. One student is selected, per class, to be showcased in our Leader Wall, located at the top of the stairwell on the second floor. These students have demonstrated excellence in academics, citizenship and leadership. They are:

September

Jacob Briseno

London Wells

Madison Geronimo

Christian Alvarado

Janay Gordon

Christina Valles

Chaszelle Bennett

Leanna Rivera

Karol Rosario Peña

Kenneth Paschall

Arianna Rodriguez

Payton Smith

Dreshawn Peek

Arianna Arroyo

Chyla Joseph

October

Sadie Tucker

Elijah Harris

Kennourious Chestnut

Astrid Earle

Anaeli Serrano

Madison Singleton

Devin McEachin

Ivan Alvarado

Zoe Rodriguez

Indira Ozirus

Odette Castillo

Nalaya Latortue

Marangely Torres

Rhadames Peralta

Calvin Sowell

November

Aviana Torres

Aiyven Moreno-Cotto

Kayla Martinez

David Ramirez

Jack Coleman

Arianna Almodovar

Aiko Bazil

Daniel Santana

Mariami E nukidze

Arianna Williams

Kayla Cruz

Mark Garcia

Jordan Outlaw

Aaliyah Ocasio

Jose Martinez

Congratulations!! We are so proud of you!!



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Parent Corner

Check out our school website @ www.ps147.org for updates, special events, grade newsletters and other information. The front page of our website highlights upcoming events/important dates at a glance.

Our New York City Department of Education website has statistical information, including our 2016 - 2017 School Survey results! Check out how well we are doing @ <http://schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/14/K147/AboutUs/Statistics/default.htm>

All parents/guardians are welcomed and encouraged to attend our many parent initiatives in the school such as Parents in the Classroom, PTA Meetings and Character Education Assemblies. Please be sure to check your child's folder for the monthly calendar.

Interested in our school? Join us for one of our general school tours. General School Tour times are from 9am - 10:30am. If these dates don't work for you, call us to schedule a private tour.

Open House dates are:

	Jan. 12, 2018	Feb. 9, 2018	
Mar. 23, 2018		Apr. 20, 2018	May 18, 2018

As this year comes to an end, I want to sincerely thank YOU, our parents for your advocacy, collegiality, leadership and above all, collaboration in all that you do in the best interest of our students.

With gratitude,

Ms. Sandra Noyola
Principal

