

## **2-16-23 Community Meeting**

### **Traffic Safety, Assembly member Robert Carroll**

- School area traffic safety around 8th Ave, 13th/14th. Mr. Carroll's office has been in contact with DOT regarding signage posting, possible cameras and deterrents
- Spoken to 78th precinct, potential police presence on 8th Ave. at key times of day is under discussion
- Site visit to be held on March 10th to review general area and develop ideas for best solutions

### **Principal update, Ms. Joanna**

- Beginning landmark school work on *structured literacy* reading transition; have purchased many decodable texts books for younger students, teacher training over next 6 months; will see changes soon which will progress over next year
- Thank you for supporting bake sale for Turkey and Syria earthquake relief
- Vaccine mandate to enter school no longer required
- Two parent workshops have been held this year: supporting your child with friendship challenges and improving executive functioning
- Two more workshops coming in March focused on digital citizenship: protecting your child online (in person and on zoom) and nurturing healthy online habits (zoom)
- Parent teacher conferences approaching in March
- Final family morning to be held March 3rd for the last third of parents, followed by coffee with the principal
- Education Sails with Hudson Clearwater Sails; an educational sail trip for every 4th and 5th grade class; meet boat at BB Park, May and June

### **Parent Coordinator update, Ms. Nadia**

- School surveys are out in paper copy sent home and available online; please fill them out, your feedback is important

### **Afterschool update, Ms. Pamela**

- If you haven't heard back about your program lottery request, reach out to Pamela
- *Run for Fun* friendly track meet Friday March 3rd, 3-6pm at the Armory. All kids signed up for track any day of week are welcome.
- No after school March 9th

### **Annual Fund update, Dianna Gatschet**

- Soon accepting donations of stock, announcement to come soon
- \$168K raised to date of \$220K goal (76%)
- Remember to submit company matching donation requests

**Community Outreach, Sarah Foster**

- Bakesale raised \$1,600 for Turkey and Syria earthquake relief
- Will continue supporting CHiPS via weekly food drive for asylum seekers located in our community
- Brooklyn Marathon and Half Marathon April 23rd, sizable donation will be made to PTA for PS107 volunteers

**STEM committee update**

- STEM Day April 1st, 12-3pm, please sign up to volunteer via Konstella
- Billion Oyster Project going strong

**5th Grade Committee, Jenny May Reddy**

- 5th grade parents, look for email outlining yearbook donation and photo requests
- Graduation date is June 23rd @ MS 88, followed by lunch at Greenwood Cemetary
- Lucky Batch Cookie sale still going thru Feb 24th

**Summer Camp Auction, Jen Jerutis**

- Lots of great camps to bid on, details sent via Konstella, view at <https://ps107.schoolauction.net/summercamp2023/catalog>

**Readathon, Rachel Appleby**

- Starts Fri March 3rd and runs 3 weeks til Fri March 24th
- New, cool management platform for keeping track of progress with personalized donation page which you can send to friends and family to donate
- Lots of prizes for individuals and classes

**Spring Gala, Christine Canedo-Pullan**

- April 28th at Picnic House, serving delicious food and drinks; featuring live band
- Ticket sales open March 1st
- Have lots of great donations to bid on; STILL NEED MORE (i.e. vacation home stay, tickets to baseball games, etc.)

**Heritage Day**

- March 18th. Rooms at school will represent different cultures from various countries and states
- Sign up to host a room featuring fare from your native country or state

**Math Magic, Jake Wilhelmsen**

- Fun weekly morning math party featuring games, puzzles, brain teasers with friends
- Wed starting March 8th, 7:30am til start of school

**Parents Night Out, Ruby & Jenny May Reddy**

- Get to know your fellow parents @ Dram Shop on 9th St.
- March 1 - PreK & K
- March 22 - 1st Grade
- April 19 - 2nd Grade
- May 3 - 3rd Grade
- May 16 - 4th Grade
- May 17th - 5th Grade

**Shamrock Run, Jenny**

- Run in the park on March 11th

**PTA elections to be held in next few months**