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Book Drive

WHAT: New/Nearly new books for elementary school children for our \$1 Book Sale June 12-14. Hardcover or paperbacks, we especially need books for our older readers – 3rd, 4th, 5th graders.

WHERE: Drop off in PS9 Lobby any time before June 7th.

BOXES APPRECIATED! Please bring books in boxes. It helps us store them safely for the sale.

We cannot accept dictionaries, textbooks, manuals or magazines.

All Used Book Sale proceeds support literacy at PS9.

Canticos is Coming!

Our rescheduled visit for author (and PS9 aunt) Susie Jaramillo will be on Wednesday, May 29. All pre-k and kindergarten classrooms will participate in a read aloud with Susie. Families who wish to purchase Canticos books that Susie will autograph can do so in TWO ways:

-Buy In-store, or Order Online, at Barnes & Noble and bring to school by Tuesday, May 28.

-Order Online at B&N Court Street (store 2965) or Park Slope (store 2876) and PS9 will pick up in store. <https://stores.barnesandnoble.com/store/2876>

Please Note: Many of the Canticos titles qualify for free delivery -If you wish for PS9 to pick up your order at Barnes & Noble you MUST contact Charmaine Derrell-Jacob

-In-store pickup must be ready by Tuesday, May 28. Visit Canticos World at:

<https://canticosworld.com/>

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Dance Program at Brooklyn's Borough Arts Festival

Dance teacher Ms. Wilson and PS9 dance students have done it again! This is our 3rd submission and selection in 4 years for the Annual Brooklyn Borough Arts Festival! Our dance program will present "Freedom," a dance excerpt from our May 10th student performance of the "The Greatest Me." The performance will be held at Kings Theater on Thursday, May 30 at 6:00pm. Buy tickets to this event at: <http://www.kingstheatre.com/calendar/brooklyn-borough-arts-festival/brooklyn-borough-arts-festival/>

Dance Video Request

Ms. Wilson is sending out a request for videos or video clips from last Friday's dance presentation of "The Greatest Me."

Here's a link where you can post videos and photos:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1y27V2ngwPCwuzQ1-Xy3rUPhSYtgJEOW_?usp=sharing

EDI Proposal to Phase-Out Gifted & Talented at PS9

The EDI committee's proposal to phase out the G&T program at PS9 will be shared with the PS9 school community this week. Remaining dates where the proposal will be addressed are as follows:

PS9 Community Meeting - Monday 6/10, 6:30pm - EDI Committee presents proposal to PS9 Community

PS9 SLT Meeting - Tuesday, 6/18 - SLT decision on EDI Committee proposal

Take a look at: <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/j.1756-5391.2009.01032.x>

All the best, Kirsten (EDI Committee Co-Chair)

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Grade 4 Guggenheim Learning Through Art Presentation

On Friday May 24 grade 4 students will showcase their artwork from this year's Learning Through Art residency. In-class presentations will begin 9:00a.m.

Guggenheim Museum "A Year with Children" May 30: By Invitation ONLY

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A Year with Children invitation-only reception is happening on May 30. That evening we will celebrate the work of the students in our school community.

Student docents who will represent PS9 are:

3rd grade: Addis S.

4th grade: Kayin B.

5th grade: Avani V.

We are very proud of all of our student artists who participated in this program!

IIM Curriculum Showcase –Pre-K, Kindergarten, Grade 1 & Grade 2

Join our Early Childhood classrooms on Thursday, May 30 at 9:00a.m. for their Curriculum Showcases! Each classroom will present in their unique style, what they've learned this school year by relating their interdisciplinary subject areas using IIM (Independent Investigative Methods.)

Please note: Students must be dropped off as usual to their classroom/line-up point. Parents will be asked to sign in and wait in the auditorium until their grade's start time

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NYC School Calendar 2019-20

Check out the 2019-20 NYC school Calendar at: <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/about-us/news/2019-2020-key-dates>

Pre-K Pre-Registration

Pre-K offers for the 2019-2020 school year are now available to view in MySchools. If you applied to pre-K by the March 18 application deadline, you can view your offer letter now.

Your offer letter will include the following:

- Your child's pre-K offer
- Any programs where your child has been waitlisted—your child will automatically be added to the waitlist of any program that you placed higher on the application than the program where you received an offer
- Information about pre-registration

Your pre-K offer letter will also be mailed to you. If you have questions, call pre-k enrollment at 718-935-2009.

Pre-register by May 31 to accept your offer and secure your child's pre-K seat.

PTO Movie Night

Join our PTO for their final Movie Night fundraiser this year on Friday, May 24 at 6:00pm! The feature film is Spiderman: Into the Spider Verse. Admission is \$5 per person with refreshments on sale.

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PTO/SLT Elections

PTO and SLT nominations were closed last night at the PTO meeting. Elections will occur at the final PTO meeting this school year, Tuesday, June 18 at 6:30pm. Information about candidates and voting will be available soon.

Shake Shack Donation Day – June 6

Our local Shake Shack will once again partner with PS9 to help raise funds for our school! On Thursday, June 6, 25% of your total meal purchase will be donated to PS9, but you must show the attached flyer. Our partner shake Shack is located at 170 Flatbush Avenue, 11217.

STEAM Lab Supplies Needed

The STEAM Lab is in need of replenishment of the following recyclable materials:

Toilet paper rolls

Paper towel rolls

Small cardboard boxes (cereal or smaller) Plastic containers Foam packaging pieces

All materials may be left in the STEAM bin found in the lobby between the auditorium doors.

Thank you,
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STAR Refugee Relief Project at PS9

PS9 IS A STAR (school) SUPPORTING REFUGEES!

STUDENTS TAKING ACTION FOR RELIEF

We have the power to stand up for what is right. Refugees in Yemen, Somalia, Jordan and Bangladesh are part of our family. We will support our family.

HELP US GATHER SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

We will send them directly to kids just like us who need them. Drop off donations in the PS9 lobby at 80 Underhill Avenue, Brooklyn. We will put them on a container and send them directly to refugees, partnering with U.S.-Africa Children's Fellowship United Muslim Relief and other amazing partners.

PS9 is collaborating with elementary, middle and high school students in Brooklyn in an effort to collect donations for refugees and people in need in Yemen, Jordan, Bangladesh and Somalia. The STAR Project is not just about collecting for people in need. This project is also about our students! A major goal of the STAR Project is that in their efforts to help others, our children discover how powerful they really are. If they can learn the simple skill of organizing the people around them now, the sky is the limit for the rest of their lives. This project, in part, is about self-discovery. PTO co-president Raul Rothblatt will provide us with details on how to get started very shortly. Look for this information so that you're well aware of how to assist your child with this project.

Donations will be accepted until May 29, 2019.

For information, contact Raul Rothblatt, PS9 PTO Co-President at rrothblatt@gmail.com.

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In Our Community

Dance Africa Festival 2019!

May 24-27 at Brooklyn Academy of Music

Rwanda Reborn: The Remix

By Artistic Director Abdel R. Salaam

This year's DanceAfrica performances offer a taste of the rich culture and traditions of Rwanda, under the leadership of artistic director Abdel R. Salaam. In acknowledgement of the 25th anniversary of the genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda and the undaunted national movement toward reconciliation and renewal, DanceAfrica offers a moment to celebrate a path forward.

For more information visit: <https://www.bam.org/dance/2019/danceafrica>

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Creative Outlet Summer Arts Camp 2019

Two Locations - Fort Greene/Clinton Hill & Bed Stuy

07/08/2019 - 08/16/2019 M - F, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Fort Greene/ Clinton Hill

Ages 5-18

CO Summer Arts Camp (July 8 - Aug. 16) Fort Greene/ Clinton Hill

Dance, theatre, music, Trips, drumming, arts & Crafts, gymnastics, and sports

Monday thru Friday 9 am to 4 pm from July 8 - August 16, 2019

Early drop off available for a fee

Late pickup available for a fee

Two Locations –

1) Fort Greene/ Clinton Hill -300 Adelphi Street (JHS 113)

2) Bedford Stuyvesant - 265 Decatur Street

Register at: <https://www.creativeoutlet.org/copy-of-jamel-gaines>

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Links:

Fan the PS 9 PTO on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/pages/PS-9-PTA-Brooklyn-NY/152557378100856>

Community Education Council for District 13: <http://cec13.org/>

Community School District 13: 718.634.3284

Notify NYC: <https://a858-nycnotify.nyc.gov/notifynyc/>

NYCDOE: <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/home>

NYCDOE Enrollment Division Contact: 718.935.2009 or ES_enrollment@schools.nyc.gov

NYC Government: Call 311 or website: <http://www.nyc.gov>

NYC Office of Emergency Management:

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/oem/html/home/home.shtml>

PS 9 Family Yahoo! Group: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ps9family>

PS 9 Website: www.ps9brooklyn.org

Prospect Heights Patch <http://prospectheights.patch.com/>

School Meals Breakfast & Lunch Menus: <http://www.opt-osfns.org/osfns/default.aspx>