

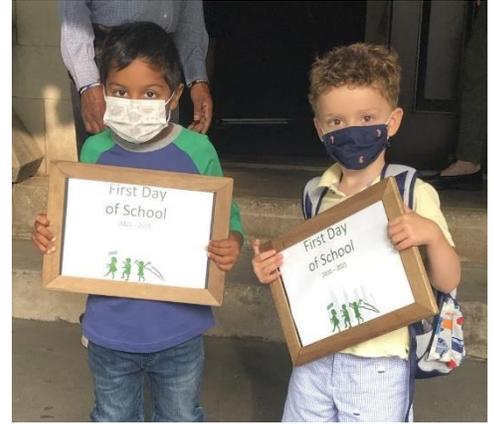
WEDNESDAY NOTICE

September 16, 2020

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!



This year, the first few days of school have been unique in our history! It wasn't Halloween, but everyone wore a mask - even the grown-ups! It was better than Halloween because of the colorful and imaginative masks the children wore.



One mask even had "The First Day of School" written across it! It was wonderful seeing everyone's eyes, but can't wait 'till we see your smiles!

Three of our classes have moved into the sanctuary, and parents have loved the spacious feeling, the colored glass windows and the architectural details. The church and school were built in 1911 and designed by an English architect who also designed some of the colleges at Oxford and Cambridge. When the sun shines in the morning through the huge east facing window, it spotlights the classrooms, and one does feel it is a special place.

The Wednesday Notice

Be sure to check your email every Wednesday!

The Wednesday Notice will keep you informed of important news, calendar reminders, baby announcements and events hosted by the school or Parents Association. The last page of the Wednesday Notice is reserved for the "Bulletin Board", available to parents to place an ad.



**We are so thrilled to welcome
all of our Pandemic Babies!**



Emilia Xue Wang – March 23, 2020

Samuel Robert Escobedo – April 3, 2020

Edith Melba Silver – May 17, 2020

Grace Elizabeth Hudelson – June 3, 2020

Caroline Auguste Leonard – June 23, 2020

Giovanna Cecilia Daubin – August 31, 2020

Scarlett Joan Ginsberg – September 2, 2020

Hanna Villa Mleczko – September 9, 2020

***Congratulations to all the parents and big brothers and sisters!
(Please let us know if we missed anyone!)***

And Betsy has a new grandson!

Ryan Newell

Born in London on Saturday, August 1, 2020

***** For the Safety of Your Children *****

Parents and caregivers must wear their school ID badges when picking up a child! If you or your caregiver do not have a current 2020-2021 ID badge, please contact Amy Nakano at anakano@parkchildrensdayschool.org

WELCOME BACK!

Dear Parents,

On behalf of the PCDS Parents Association, we'd like to welcome you to the start of the 2020-21 school year! Thanks to the efforts of our incredible teachers and administration, we are excited to finally come together again and are so glad to embark on this extraordinary year with all of you. While our in-person interactions are limited, we are still looking forward to connecting with each other and to supporting our wonderful school. We welcome your participation, feedback, ideas, energy and talents in hopes of creating a more vibrant, closer than ever community this year.

To that end, we'd like to invite each of you to the first virtual **PA Meeting on Wednesday, October 7th**, when we will discuss upcoming virtual events and opportunities to get involved. We hope to see all of you then and to hear your fun and creative ideas! Until then, please reach out to us at pcdspaboard@gmail.com if you have any suggestions or questions!

Finally, we have once again partnered with **Lands' End** to offer our families a wide variety of school spirit wear. [Click Here](#) to get to our school store and enter our school # 900163510. **Our Fall Spirit Day will be on Wednesday, December 2nd.**

Welcome back and see you all from a distance outside school!

Sincerely,

Kristen Mleczo, Salma Khan, Maria Welch (Co-Presidents) and Claire Farley (Treasurer)



Thank you to the
PCDS PA
from all of us
for the
Back to School
Survival Kits!



PCDS Calendar 2020-2021

Tuesday, September 1	Teachers return
Monday, September 7 School Closed	Labor Day
Tuesday, September 8	Parent Orientation on Zoom - 7:30pm
Tuesday through Friday, September 8-11	Visits for Fours and Fives
Monday, September 14	Opening Day for Fours and Fives
Monday through Wednesday, September 14-16	Visits for Toddlers and Threes
Thursday & Friday, September 17 &18	Opening Day for Toddlers and Threes
Monday, September 28 School Closed	Yom Kippur
Monday, October 12 School Closed	Columbus Day
Wednesday, October 14	Extended Day for Fives begins
Wednesday & Thursday, October 14 &15	Photo Days in Central Park
Thursday, October 29 No Extended Day for Fives	Curriculum Night
Monday, November 16 School Closed	Parent /Teacher Conferences
Wednesday through Friday, November 25- 27 School Closed	Thanksgiving Holiday
Wednesday, December 2	Spirit Day
Thursday, December 17	Winter Break begins after Class Party
Monday, January 4	Teachers return after Winter Break
Tuesday, January 5	School reopens for Children
Monday, January 18 School Closed	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Monday & Tuesday, February 15 & 16
School Closed

Mid-Winter Weekend

Monday, March 8

Ongoing School Discussion with Betsy - 6:30 p.m.

Friday, March 19

Spring Break begins

Monday, April 5

Teachers return after Spring Break

Tuesday, April 6

School reopens for Children

Friday, April 9

Color Day

Monday, April 19
School Closed

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Wednesday, April 28

Spirit Day

Thursday, May 27

Last day of Extended Day

Monday, May 31
School Closed

Memorial Day

Friday, June 4

Closing Day for Children

ABSENCES

If your child will be absent from school, it is very important that you CALL and/or EMAIL Patti or Fiona in the school office no later than 10:00am.

If you are leaving a message or email, please include WHY your child is not in school. These are NYC Board of Health requirements.

To those parents applying out:

We do NOT need the release forms provided to you by ongoing schools.

We will send out our “Applying to Ongoing School” form shortly.

If you would like to make an appointment to meet with Betsy, please contact Patti or Fiona.

**** REMINDER ****

**Most classes are going to the park daily.
Please dress your children appropriately for the weather.**



Should I Consider a Progressive Education for My Child?

In today's educational landscape, it can be challenging to figure out what it means when a school says they are a progressive institution. To gain a comprehensive definition of what progressive schools look like, join a panel of Admissions Directors from several independent schools, as they share information about their schools and answer frequently questions.

Speaker: NYC Independent School Admissions Directors

Wednesday, September 16th 8:00 – 9:00pm

Virtual Event

A link will be emailed to all registrants

To register [Click Here](#)

Navigating the Kindergarten Virtual Admissions Process: A Panel Discussion with NYC Admissions Directors

In response to the pandemic, many independent schools have developed their own individual kindergarten virtual admissions assessment. Learn more about the unique ways that independent schools will get to know you and your child during the virtual admissions processes and what you can do to get to know and understand them.

Speaker: Admissions Directors from Brooklyn Friends School, Dwight School, Grace Church School, Hewitt School, Horace Mann School and The Town School

Tuesday, September 29th 7:00 – 8:00pm

Virtual Event

A link will be emailed to all registrants

To register [Click Here](#)

Support Park Children's Day School when you shop at smile.amazon.com



What is AmazonSmile?

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose from nearly one million organizations to support.

How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to smile.amazon.com from the web browser on your computer or mobile device.

Which products on AmazonSmile are eligible for charitable donations?

Tens of millions of products on AmazonSmile are eligible for donations. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages. Recurring Subscribe-and-Save purchases and subscription renewals are not currently eligible.

Can I use my existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile?

Yes, you use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same.

How do I select a charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?

On your first visit to AmazonSmile smile.amazon.com, you need to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. We will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation.

What charities can I choose from?

You can choose from almost one million eligible 501(c)(3) public charitable organizations.

(PCDS is a registered charity and is listed as Park Childrens Day School)

How much of my purchase does Amazon donate?

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. The purchase price is the amount paid for the item minus any rebates and excluding shipping & handling, gift-wrapping fees, taxes, or service charges. From time to time, we may offer special, limited time promotions that increase the donation amount on one or more products or services or provide for additional donations to charitable organizations. Special terms and restrictions may apply. Please see the relevant promotion for complete details.

Can I receive a tax deduction for amounts donated from my purchases on AmazonSmile?

Donations are made by the AmazonSmile Foundation and are not tax deductible by you.

Virtual Open House

UNIS – United Nations International School

24-50 FDR Drive
New York, NY 10010
(212) 684-7400

Virtual Kindergarten Open House
October 7th at 4:30 - 6:30pm

RSVP to www.unis.org

BULLETIN BOARD



Seeking Afternoon Nanny

With households undergoing so many changes recently, we would welcome knowing about any caregivers for PCDS families who have become available and are looking for afternoon work.

We are a PCDS family for several years, ourselves.

For additional details, please contact atun17@yahoo.com.

Thank you.



PLACE YOUR AD HERE!

The PCDS Bulletin Board was established with the goal of helping PCDS families place ads for items that the school community might find useful. For example, if you are looking to sell or buy an item (e.g. baby stroller), looking to hire a new nanny or housekeeper or know of an outstanding nanny or housekeeper looking for a new job, please consider placing your ad in the PCDS Bulletin Board.

Email your classified ad to: PCDSClassifieds@gmail.com by Sunday (midnight deadline) to get placement in the next week's Wednesday newsletter and mention your affiliation with the school (e.g. mother of Sally in class 302). Ads are placed for 2 weeks ONLY.