



WEDNESDAY NOTICE

September 23, 2026



WELCOME EVERYONE!

We are so happy to have our new and returning families with us.
We are planning a wonderful year for you and your children!

The Wednesday Notice

Be sure to check your email every Wednesday and share this notice each week with your caregivers!

This first edition of the **Wednesday Notice** is historically our longest. However, it will keep you informed of important news, calendar reminders, baby announcements and events hosted by the school and Parents Association. The last page of the Wednesday Notice is reserved for the "Bulletin Board" available to parents to place an ad.

THANK YOU

*to Morgan Alcalay and Rose Freedman,
PA Co-Presidents,
Carly Sharma and Bettina Obersteiner, VP, and
Nivaan Linhares, PA Treasurer,
for hosting our Parent Orientation Night!*

*Thank you to the PA for
a delicious lunch last week and the thoughtful
hand lotions and
Amazon gift cards!*



Rose Freedman & Morgan Alcalay

A special thank you to all of the parents who helped to set up, greet and bartend!



Thank you to Nicole Parchue, our landscape gardener, and her wonderful team of volunteers; Davina Arroyave, Rose & Eloise Freedman and Mariah Duffy for the plantings in our beautiful sidewalk gardens!



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

Parents and caregivers must wear their school ID badges at all times!
New badges can be picked up from your classroom teacher if you did not pick them up at Parent Orientation night.

If you or your caregiver do not have a current **2026-27 ID badge**, please contact Wendy Sigurdson at wsigurdson@parkchildrensdayschool.org

We are thrilled to welcome our Summer Babies!

Amalia & Emeline Soltoff

Congratulations to big brother Adrian in Class B5-3T
and to the parents, Jessica and Cain!

Joshua Dawn Haber

Congratulations to big sister June in Class B5-3T
and to the parents, Julia & David!

Rosamund Caroline Abigail Selman

Congratulations to big brother Jack in Class B5-2T
and to the parents, Nora and Peter!

Galen Vasilis Illiopoulos

Congratulations to big brother Dorian in Class B5-3T
and to the parents, Japi and Kostas!

Beatrice (Bea) Kim Grimes

Congratulations to big brother Mark in Class B5-2T
and to the parents, Elizabeth and Joseph!

Please let us know if we missed anyone.



Early Morning Greeter

begins Monday, September 28!

Every morning at 8:30am a teacher will be in the first floor reception room to greet students and read a story. Children are escorted to class at 8:50am. We are very sorry that we cannot accommodate the Toddlers who begin school at 9:15am.

WELCOME BACK!

Hello PCDS Parents!

Thank you all for attending the Parent Orientation. We are so excited about this school year, and we look forward to celebrating this amazing community together. We hope your first few days at school have been wonderful!

Thank you to all of those who volunteered to be class reps!

Parent Volunteer Interest Form: Thank you to those who filled out the form in your PCDS Finals site portal. We will be in touch with ways to get involved in our upcoming PA Events.

Family Fridays: Over the course of the school year, we will have two Family Fridays. These are opportunities to get together as a school before drop-off and participate in an interactive experience led by one of our very own parents in the gym.

In the past, we have had parents lead a dance class, play an instrument, sing and more! Mark your calendars for our first **Family Friday on October 23rd**.

PA Meeting: Immediately following our **Family Friday on October 23rd**, we will have our Parents Association Meetings over coffee in the church sanctuary. We look forward to connecting with you and brainstorming ways to reimagine community events while honoring our beloved PCDS traditions.

Share your ideas: Please contact us via email at PCDSPAboard@gmail.com with feedback, suggestions, or ideas you may want to share with us. Remember that every parent is a part of the PCDS PA, and we would love to hear from you!

Kind regards,
Rose, Morgan, Carly, Bettina and Nivaan
PCDS Parent Association

PCDS SPIRIT WEAR

PCDS has partnered with **Lands' End** to offer our community a variety of adult and children's school spirit wear including sweatshirts, polo shirts and more with our logo.

[Click here](#) to access our school store and enter the **school number #900163510**.

Fall Spirit Day is Wednesday, November 18. Order NOW!

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.

**** Safe School Attire ****

- Classes are beginning to use climbing equipment in the gym. Children must have enclosed shoes with rubber soles. No sandals, Crocs, boots or flip-flops.
- For safety reasons children must not wear costumes or necklaces due to gross motor play activities.

**** IMPORTANT **** **Parents and Caregivers**

Our wonderful security guard, Pat Jones, is to remain at the front door, so it is **very important that you remove all valuables and only leave strollers at school if necessary.** Please collapse any folding strollers. Thank you for your understanding!





SAVE THE DATE

MOM'S NIGHT OUT

Wednesday, October 7th at 6:00pm

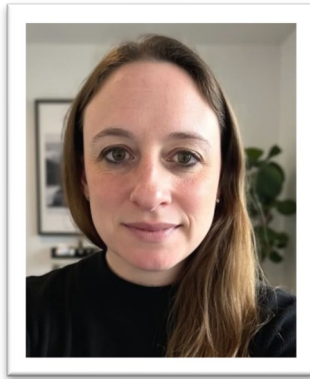
PAPERLESS POST WITH MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW



Calling all Parents of Threes!

We still have availability in **Afternoon Adventures for Threes!**

Please email Fiona if you are interested fmoore@parkchildrensdayschool.org. Every Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday children will go to Class 202 and have lunch with their friends at 12:15pm. The dismissal is at 2:30pm. The fun activities vary based on the interests of the children signed up. In the past teachers have taught yoga and mindfulness and the children have played/made board games, books and collages and worked with clay. The children will have another opportunity to go to the gym or the park.



Welcome Dr. Anne Davidson!

Dr. Anne (Annie) Davidson is thrilled to be the new consulting psychologist at Park Children's Day School. She has been a practicing Psychologist for over 15 years. In her role she has worked extensively with children and families in schools, private practice, residential, day treatment, and outpatient settings. She has also taught at Brooklyn College and supervised doctoral students at St. John's University.

Dr. Davidson has a passion for working with young children. She is currently the school psychologist at All Souls School on the Upper East Side and was previously the Consulting Psychologist at the Rockefeller University Child and Family Center. In these roles she works with children, teachers, and families to support Early Childhood development. She loves getting on the floor to observe and play with preschoolers, sitting with groups of parents to troubleshoot the messiness of early childhood, working as a team with teachers to enhance their classrooms, and proactively helping families get any additional support to help their child thrive

Dr. Davidson will be at PCDS most Thursdays from 9am-1pm. (She will come on a different day a couple of times a semester so that she will get to know the 3-day Toddlers.) She will spend her time in PCDS classrooms, meeting with parents, meeting with teachers, and occasionally facilitating parent groups. Dr. Davidson can be a resource for parents who would like assistance with topics that may not be related directly to school, such as new siblings, moves, etc. If you would like to request a meeting with her you are welcome to email her directly at adavidson@parkchildrensdayschool.org

Hunter College Elementary School

71 East 94th Street, New York, NY 10128

HCES is a tuition-free, publicly-funded K-12 school serving a diverse community of children who have been identified as intellectually talented.

Kindergarten Application for Fall 2027 is OPEN!

Requirements:

- Applicants for Fall 2027 must be born in 2022.
- Families must be New York City residents (all 5 boroughs) on the date of application submission.

To Apply: [Click Here](#)

- Deadline to apply Thursday, October 29th, 2026.

The School at Columbia University

556 West 110th Street, New York, NY, 10025

Now accepting inquiries for the (k-8) 2027-28 School Year

Interested families are encouraged to submit an [Inquiry Form](#) as a first step. Families can learn more about our admissions process for neighborhood families and Columbia University employees by visiting our [website](#).



Open Houses & Tours

Bank Street School for Children

610 West 112th Street, New York, NY 10025
(212) 875-4431

Virtual All Grades Open Houses: Tuesday, October 6th at 7pm

Nightingale-Bamford School

20 East 92nd Street, New York, NY 10128
(212) 289-5020

Lower School Open House:
Saturday, October 24th from 10-11:30am

Sacred Heart School

7 East 91st Street, New York, NY 10128
(212) 722-4745

Lower School Open House Session 1: Thursday, October 15st from 6 – 7:30pm

Saint Ignatius Loyola School

240 East 84th Street, New York, NY 10028
(212) 861-3820

Kindergarten Tours:
Mondays & Thursdays from September 28th - December 7th
from 9:30am – 10:45am

St. Hilda's & St. Hugh's School

619 West 114th Street, New York, NY
(212) 932-1980

Open House: Wednesday, October 7th from 6-7:30pm

Trevor Day School

Lower School: 1 West 88th Street, New York, NY 10024
(212) 426-3300

Lower School Tours: Thursdays in October through December at 9:00am

The Cathedral School

1047 Amsterdam Avenue, New York, NY 10025
(212) 316-7510

Open House: Thursday, October 15th from 6-7:30pm
Open House: Saturday, October 24th from 10-11:30am

BULLETIN BOARD

Wonderful Nanny Available

Full time or nearly time nanny available. Marilyn has over 20 years of experience as a nanny in Manhattan and Brooklyn. She has been with her last family for 13 years on the UWS. She is warm, caring, flexible, creative, patient, and treats children as if they were her own. Marilyn is available immediately and can be reached at 646-724-4240.



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: pcds@parkchildrensdayschool.org
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.