



# December 2025

**P.S. 36X The Rising Stars School**  
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## Notes

### Safer Access:

Main doors will be locked during the school day. Anyone who wishes to visit P.S. 36 must use the intercom to state their intent to visit. Be prepared to sign in and show ID upon entry. Thank you!

### Student Attendance:

Attendance is a critical part of your child's education. Students are expected to arrive on time at 8:20am. Doors open for breakfast from 7:50am-8:10am by Exit 2 (Watson Avenue and Castle Hill Avenue). Dismissal is at 2:40pm. Please pick up your child **on time**.

### Early Student Pick up:

A parent or an adult's picture ID is required for early student pick up. Early pick-up ends at 2:15pm. After 2:15pm, parents should wait outside in the schoolyard for regular dismissal.

### Dress Code:

It is important to adhere to our dress code EVERYDAY. It limits distractions and increases learning.

### Cell Phone & Electronic Device Policy:

Upon arrival to school, all internet enabled devices (i.e. cell phone, apple watch, etc.) must be turned off. Devices will be collected and returned at dismissal.

### Technology Support:

The IT team will be available to assist you with any tech issues on Mondays 2:45pm – 3:45pm and Tuesdays 8:45am – 9:45am.

## Upcoming Dates

| Dates                                      | Events                                                  |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| January 19 <sup>th</sup>                   | Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day/Schools Closed      |
| January 29 <sup>th</sup>                   | Lunar New Year/Schools Closed.                          |
| February 16 <sup>th</sup> 20 <sup>th</sup> | Midwinter Recess/Schools Closed.                        |
| March 5 <sup>th</sup>                      | Parent-Teacher Conferences. Students dismissed 11:40am. |
| March 20 <sup>th</sup>                     | Eid-Al-Fitr/Schools Closed.                             |
| April 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup>   | Spring Recess/Schools Closed.                           |
| May 7 <sup>th</sup>                        | Evening Parent-Teacher Conferences.                     |
| May 25 <sup>th</sup>                       | Memorial Day/Schools Closed.                            |
| May 27 <sup>th</sup>                       | Eid-al-Adha/Schools Closed.                             |
| June 4 <sup>th</sup>                       | Chancellor's Conference Day/Students do not attend.     |
| June 5 <sup>th</sup>                       | Clerical Day/Students do not attend.                    |
| June 19 <sup>th</sup>                      | Juneteenth/Schools Closed.                              |
| June 26 <sup>th</sup>                      | Last day of school for students.                        |

## Easy Access



### NYC School Account (NYCSA)

View your child's report card, update contact information and more. ([www.schoolsaccount.nyc](http://www.schoolsaccount.nyc))



### MySchools

Apply to Grades 3K-12, explore, compare schools and more. ([www.myschools.nyc](http://www.myschools.nyc))



### School Meals

View the school meal menu from your child's school. ([www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/food/menus](http://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/food/menus))



### Dial-A-Teacher (212) 777-3380

Homework help line for elementary and middle school students attending NYC public schools.



### Contact Ms. Ali, Parent Coordinator

P: (718) 822-5345 Ext. 1630  
E: [kali12@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:kali12@schools.nyc.gov)

## Monday

## Tuesday

## Wednesday

## Thursday

## Friday

### Attendance

There are 17 Days of School in December. Will you be an Attendance Champion?

### District 8 Events

12/1 @ 11:00am: Kindergarten Application Process: Guide to Kindergarten Virtual [Zoom](#)  
12/2 @ 5:00pm: Explicit Vocabulary Instruction for Families: Supporting Vocabulary Development at Home Virtual [Zoom](#)  
12/10 @ 1:00pm: D8 - Special Education Parent Series Virtual [Register](#)  
12/16 @ 6:30pm: D8 Science Parent Workshop Virtual [Zoom](#)



## Parent Association's Holiday Sale



(December 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>)



1

Student Council & Clubs  
2:40 – 3:40pm



2

Parent Nutrition Workshop  
In-Person in the Cafeteria  
@ 8:45am



3

Basketball Team Practice  
2:40 – 4:00pm



4

Trip to NYBG Train Show  
Classes 303 & 304



5

Trip to the Bronx Zoo  
Grade K and Class 217



[D8 President's Council @ 6:00pm](#)  
[DPAC Meeting @ 7:00pm](#)

[D8 Virtual DLT Meeting @ 2:30pm](#)

8

Student Council & Clubs  
2:40 – 3:40pm



9

Last Parent Nutrition Workshop  
In-Person in the Cafeteria  
@ 8:45am



10

Basketball Team Practice  
2:40 – 4:00pm



11

[CPAC Meeting @ 9:30am](#)



12

P.A. Snack Sale



Last Day to Apply for  
Middle School



15



Happy Hanukkah



Family Lunch Forms Due



Student Council & Clubs  
2:40 – 3:40pm

Basketball Team Practice  
2:40 – 4:15pm

16

Trip to NYBG Train Show  
Classes 301 & 305



17

Basketball Team Practice  
2:40 – 4:00pm



D8 PEP Meeting @ 6:00pm

18

P.A. & Title 1 Meeting  
In the Cafeteria @ 8:45am



Debate Team Tournament #1  
@ P.S. 138

19

P.A. Snack Sale



Jingle Jog  
With Ms. Kellner



22 **No** Student Council & Clubs



**No** Basketball Team Practice



Holiday Karaoke

Holiday Toy Giveaway



23

Holiday Assemblies  
Dress Down Day: Wear Holiday Colors



Winter Recess  
**SCHOOLS CLOSED**  
Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
We return to School on  
Monday, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> (Pajama Day)



Merry Christmas



Happy Kwanzaa



Happy New Year

## Happy Holidays!



# **Diciembre 2025**

Línea de ayuda con las tareas para estudiantes de  
asisten a las escuelas públicas de NY.

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**Feliz Año Nuevo**