
THIS WEEK!

at MNS

THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 2



► **DAY 2 of PHOTO DAY is Monday, October 2!** Some of the shots will be full body, please keep this in mind when dressing your child. We need two volunteers for each class so please email your teachers or class parents directly if you are able to volunteer.



► **COFFEE WITH DOREEN.** “Coffee with Doreen” is an opportunity to sit down with Principal Doreen Esposito and learn about your child’s experience on a grade-by-grade basis. Coffee with Doreen takes place from 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. in the teacher’s lounge on the second floor. **Bring your own coffee!**

- Kindergarten: **Wednesday, October 4**
- First Grade: **Thursday, October 5**
- Second Grade: **Friday, October 6**

**KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THESE EVENTS
THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 9**



► **COLUMBUS DAY.** School will be **closed** on **Monday, October 9** in observance of Columbus Day.



► **COFFEE WITH DOREEN.** “Coffee with Doreen” for the upper grades will take place at 8:45 a.m. on **Wednesday, October 11** for Fifth Grade, **Thursday, October 12** for Fourth Grade and **Friday, October 13** for Third Grade.



► **JOHN JAY PARK MAKEOVER.** Join us for PS 290's annual Fall Community Service Day, organized by the PTA's MNS Cares Committee. Come to **John Jay Park** for a spirited **park clean-up Saturday, October 14th** from **2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** All members of the MNS community (students, staff, parents, siblings, etc.) are encouraged to participate! Dress in work clothes and be prepared to plant bulbs, collect litter, create signs and spread mulch.

ALSO HAPPENING...

► **THANK YOU** to everyone who came to the Yankees Game! **189 people** participated in this community building fundraiser and **\$945** was raised for the MNS PTA! Thank you Lisa Altshuler for organizing!



► **FALL ONLINE AUCTION.** Let's make P.S. 290's Fall Online Auction a huge success! We ask each family to solicit at least **ONE** donation from a business that you are a frequent customer. Fill out this [donation form](#) and email to: auktiondonations@mnspta.org or you can back-pack to school (ATTN: "AUCTION"). Please remember to fill-in your name and contact info as well, because for **every donation you obtain by November 1, 2017, you will get 3 Raffle Tickets for a chance to win our Raffle Baskets!**



► **GIRL SCOUTS AT MNS!** We are excited to be starting Girl Scouts at MNS this year! We need troop leader volunteers who want to be a part of our inaugural year. Girl Scouts is made up of girls and parent volunteers who assist and lead troops. The time commitment can be as little as an hour a week during the meetings. For more information click [here](#). If you would like to be involved in Girl Scouts with your daughter or have any questions, please e-mail ps290girlscouts@gmail.com. For more information on the mission of Girl Scouts, please click on this link <http://www.girlscouts.org>. We would also love to bring Boy Scouts to MNS. If any Dads are interested in leading a troop, please contact Doreen.

DOE ANNOUNCEMENTS

► **G&T ADMISSIONS.** Students entering K through 3rd grade can participate in G&T Admissions. Sign up for testing begins in early October. Parents seeking G&T testing for their children can find more information [here](#).

► **FREE SCHOOL LUNCH AND BREAKFAST.** The NYC DOE has posted this [update](#) re: Free School Lunch online. We need your help to make this program a success. All parents, regardless of income, must still complete a School Meals Form so that our schools get access to federal funding for this program and others. Please complete the form online at <http://nyc.applyforlunch.com> by December 29, 2017. A hardcopy is also available. If you need your child's Student ID # (which can be found on their report card) to complete your School Meals Form, please email Sally Mason at smason@ps290.org. Thank you!

► **KINDERGARTEN ADMISSIONS.** Get ready for Kindergarten admissions this fall! NYC families of children born in 2013 can prepare by taking [these](#) steps. Mark your calendar: You can apply to Kindergarten starting on **Tuesday, November 28**.
