THIS WEEK!

At A Glance...

December 18 Third Grade Winter Concert (8:45 AM)

December 19 Fourth Grade Winter Concert (8:45 AM)

General PTA Meeting (7:15 PM)

December 20 Fifth Grade Winter Concert (8:45 AM)

Dec 25 - Jan 1 Winter Recess - School is closed

January 6 PreK Carnival Playtime by Gate Hill Camp

followed by Gaga Madness for K-5

January 11 Afterschool Registration begins (7 PM)

Friendly Reminders...

- Make a gift donation to the MNS Cares holiday toy drive via this Amazon wishlist.
- Order your Photo Day photos by December 20!
- Donate to the <u>annual appeal</u> participation is at 38%.

THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 18

WINTER CONCERTS

Winter Concerts for the upper grades will be held this week! Concerts will be held at **8:45 a.m.** in the fourth floor Auditorium on the following days:



Third Grade: Monday, December 18

Fourth Grade: Tuesday, December 19

Fifth Grade: Wednesday, December 20

GENERAL PTA MEETING

The next General PTA Meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 19 at 7:15 p.m. in the MNS Cafe. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend. Babysitting will be available for \$5 per MNS child. Please click here for the draft minutes from the safety meeting during the previous PTA meeting.

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THESE FUTURE EVENTS

WINTER RECESS

School will be closed from Monday, December 25 until Monday, January 1 due to Winter Break. School will resume on Tuesday, January 2. Happy holidays!

SPRING 2018 AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

Online registration for the Spring 2018 Afterschool term begins January 11 at 7 p.m. The spring 2018 program runs from January 29 - June 22, 2018. All info regarding class schedules, descriptions, policies and procedures will be posted on both MNS PTA and PS290 websites by January 2.

MNS ANNUAL TALENT SHOW

After-school

The Annual Talent Show will be held on Friday, February 2 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, February 3 at 3 p.m. at Wagner Middle School. To sign-up, please complete this web form by Monday, January 8. Please email talentshow@mnspta.org with any questions or if you would like to volunteer for the event.

SAVE THE DATE!



PreK carnival playtime fun on **Saturday, January 6**, from **10-11:30 a.m.** at school, hosted by Gate Hill Day Camp. Enjoy games, bounce castle, gaga, art projects, camp fun and more! \$25 per family IN ADVANCE. \$30 per family AT THE DOOR. All profits go to MNS! RSVP online by **January 3**.

Also Save the Date for a special **Gaga Madness event for grades K-5** at school on **Saturday**, **January 6**. Gate Hill Day Camp brings GAGA to MNS! Gate Hill brings the inflatable pit and the coaches; Your kids provide the excitement!! Drop off optional. Registration limited to 20 kids per time slot. Click on the links below to sign up. If interested in volunteering please email alisonlmale@gmail.com.

12pm - 1pm <u>K & 1st grade</u>

1:15 - 2:15pm 2nd & 3rd grade

2:30 - 3:30pm 4th and 5th grades

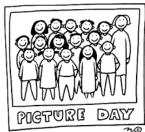
ALSO HAPPENING...

thank you!

THANK YOU to the MNS community for placing orders from the MNS School Store! **\$1,675** was raised from your purchases for the MNS PTA. Parents who placed an order will receive an email in January when purchases arrive. Thank you to parent leaders Barri Ardizzone and Sandy Chan for all their hard work on the beautiful Winter 2017 collection.

On behalf of the entire MNS staff, we want to thank you for your generosity in sponsoring our holiday staff gathering. Everyone enjoyed the delicious food and spending time together outside the work day. Happy Holidays! MNS Staff Social Committee

PLACE YOUR PHOTO DAY ORDERS!



THE DEADLINE TO PLACE YOUR ORDER is December 20. Follow the instructions on your proof sheets to order your packages online. Contact photoday@mnspta.org with any questions.

RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Parents interested in tickets to **the Radio City Christmas Spectacular** can receive a **discount rate** of up to 25 percent off the ticket prices by clicking on this <u>link</u> and entering the code "CHERNOW". Thank you MNS parent leader Robyn Marquis for sharing this offer from her MSG contact with the MNS community!

GLOBAL LUNCH CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We are looking for parents to donate one Tuesday morning to teach our students something special about their native country or a country they have a special attachment to. Please click here to sign up. If you have any questions please contact Barbara Rocha-Beck at rochabeck@aol.com.

DOE/NYC ANNOUNCEMENTS

KINDERGARTEN ADMISSION

Admission to Kindergarten is now in progress! NYC families of children born in 2013 can apply to Kindergarten until January 12, 2018. Click on this <u>link</u> for more information.