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# THIS WEEK!

at MNS

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## AT A GLANCE...

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February 7 Class Parents Meeting (8:45 AM)

[Parent Workshop](#) (5-6 PM or 6-7 PM)

February 9 [First Grade Magic Show](#) (6-7:30 PM)

Feb 13 SLT Meeting (7:30 AM)

Feb 16 -23 Winter Recess - School is closed

[Sign-up for Break Camp](#) at PS290 by Feb 13, details below.

## A FRIENDLY REMINDER:

The PTA would like to present Sally, our recently retired Parent Coordinator, with a token of our appreciation. If you would like to send a personal note of gratitude and well wished and/or send a nominal donation towards a retirement gift, **please backpack in a sealed envelope marked "Sally Retirement" by tomorrow, February 5.** Thank you!

**THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5**

## SUPERHERO CHALLENGE UPDATE



There are **3 days left** before our **Superhero Fitness Challenge on February 6** and we are **93%** of the way to reaching our goal of raising \$30,000!

- We have raised **\$27,467** from **1,138** individual donations
- **78%** of students have registered
- **65%** of students have received sponsors & pledges
- We have received donations from **28** states & **9** countries
- Amy & Nicki's class has raised the highest amount with **\$157** per exercise challenge, Sanella & Rebeca's class is in second place with **\$147** per fitness challenge and Lisa's class with **\$134** per fitness challenge! Congratulations!

**There is still time to register your child and secure pledges** to help us meet our \$30,000 and watch Doreen be slimed! Head over to [funrun.com](https://www.funrun.com) and search PS 290 Superhero Challenge or use our school code: 833-384. We only have three days left to get those pledges in! Thank you for supporting MNS!

## **CLASS PARENTS MEETING**

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Class parents — please join us on **Wednesday, February 7 at 8:45 a.m.** in the MNS Cafe. We will be discussing the new class parent handbook and upcoming happenings. Most importantly, we truly want your input. PLEASE come!

## **PARENT/CHILD WORKSHOP WITH *PLAYWORKS***

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**PLAYWORKS** On **Wednesday, February 7**, come out and experience Playworks, our school's recess program (for grades K-5) funded by the PTA. Please [sign up here](#) and choose one of two time slots (5 - 6 p.m. or 6 - 7 p.m.).

Playworks is the leading national non profit leveraging the power of play! Here at MNS, Playworks team-up supports our school monthly in creating strategies for group management, team building, and safe and meaningful play. Come out and be a kid again and participate in activities that we have been teaching your children throughout the school year. Be prepared to play, engage in meaningful discussion, interact with Playworks Personnel, and most importantly HAVE FUN!

## FIRST GRADE MAGIC SHOW

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Calling all first graders! On **Friday, February 9 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.**, get ready for a spectacular magic show performance by The Great Ragidy Supreme. Prepare to be amazed! This is a drop off event but parents are welcome to stay. Pizza will be served. Bring your own water bottle. \$25 in advance (cash/[Neon](#)), \$30 at the door. [Permission slip](#) due by Wednesday, February 7.

**KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THESE EVENTS  
THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 12**

## SLT MEETING

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The MNS School Leadership Team meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 13 at 7:30 a.m.** in the Teacher Lounge on the second floor. If you would like to address the SLT with a comment or concern, please submit your request in writing one week prior to the meeting to Robyn Marquis and Jamie Kushner at [slt@ps290.org](mailto:slt@ps290.org), and every effort will be made to accommodate your request. Email comments are also welcome. All are invited to attend. Please note: the SLT does not address specific questions pertaining to individual students or their classroom experiences.

## WINTER RECESS

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School will be closed from **Friday, February 16** until **Friday, February 23**.  
School will resume on **Monday, February 26**.

**ALSO HAPPENING...**

thank you!

THANK YOU to Photo day co-chairs Jeanette Rosner and Amit Pasman for organizing photo day, to Barri Ardizzone and Allison Poster-Katz for their guidance and time and to all the volunteers who helped during photo day! Thanks to photo purchases by MNS parents, **\$4,239** was raised for the MNS PTA!

THANK YOU to Third Grade delegates: Emily Brafman, Janice Horowitz and Sarah O'Malley for organizing the 3rd Grade Parent/Child Dance, and to all the families who boogied! **37 kids with their parents** attended the dance and **\$820** was raised for the MNS PTA!

## FEBRUARY BREAK CAMP AT PS290

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Looking for a camp/child care option for your child over the February Winter Break? Benswic Sports is offering a vacation camp at PS290 from **February 19-23!** If you would like to build on your child's sports-specific skill set or simply want to keep your child active, this program includes soccer, basketball, baseball, flag football, dodgeball, kickball, capture the flag, floor hockey, and many other sports, gym games, and a fitness program. The all day camp is for children ages 6-11 of all ability levels. Register now because spots are limited and **Benswic is generously donating 30% back to the PTA for all MNS families who register** by clicking [here!](#) **The last day to register is February 13.** Please note this program is not affiliated with PS 290 or MNS PTA.

## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

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Online registration for the MNS Afterschool program closed on Friday, February 2, but **limited spaces are still available.** Please contact Felicia at [afterschool@mnspta.org](mailto:afterschool@mnspta.org) for registration assistance.