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**Where Sharing is Caring**



Karen Scott-Piazza, Principal

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Hello everyone! I hope the spring weather has brightened up your days. The children have made remarkable strides in their learning, have made social emotional adjustments, and overall – they continue to bring joy to our lives.

**As we head into the spring break here are some school updates/reminders and new information to put on your radar:**

### **COVID-19 Home Test Kits for Return from Spring Recess**

Students will receive four tests on April 14.

Students and staff should use the test kit on the evening of **April 23**, and again on the evening of **April 24**, before returning to school on **April 25**. Please note that while use of the test kit is strongly encouraged, participation is voluntary and staff and students are not required to show proof of a negative test result before being allowed to return to work and school.

### **Summer Rising 2022**

**Flyer with registration information & link will open and be emailed to all families on Monday April 25<sup>th</sup>. <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/enrollment/summer>**

Students and families will have the opportunity to apply for a Summer Rising slot based on their current (school year 2021-2022) grade level. All New York City residents who are currently in grades K-8 are eligible for summer programs. New York City students who do not attend a DOE school will have the opportunity to apply as well.

Program Description	Student Schedule
<b>K-5 Summer Rising</b> Academics, social-emotional learning, and enrichment activities for 6 weeks, followed by a 7th week of DYCD CBO-led enrichment and trips.	7 weeks, July 5-August 19 Monday to Friday, 8am to 3pm, followed by extended day enrichment until 6pm

### **New York State Testing Program**

The NYS Math exam is on April 26<sup>th</sup> and April 27<sup>th</sup>.

### **Studio In A School**

Grades 4&5 *Studio In A School* program takes place on Mondays

Grades 2&3 *Studio In A School* program takes place on Tuesdays

Students in grades K&1 will begin *Studio In A School* on May 20<sup>th</sup>

### **OneAccount4All**

We are currently migrating all our Google Classrooms to the DOE domain. This will allow every student and staff person to use their DOE account for every DOE system and every digital learning application, from 3-K to graduation. More information to follow.

### End of Year Dates

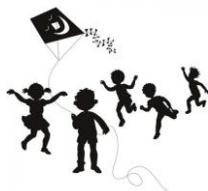
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation: Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup> 9:15AM Will be held outdoors  
Kindergarten Graduation: Fri. June 17<sup>th</sup> K-233 9 – 10AM K-231 10 – 11AM  
Pre-K Moving Up: PK-119 June 8<sup>th</sup> PK-118 June 10<sup>th</sup>

### NYC School Survey

Please complete the family school survey by April 15<sup>th</sup>. You may access the survey in your child's NYCSA or complete the printed copy that went home with your child.

*Sincerely,*

Karen Scott-Piazza 😊  
Principal PS205Q



Next **CEDA Meeting** is Tuesday April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7PM on Zoom. Please see flyer to register. We will be sharing the CEDA Video "What I'm Made Of" and we will be discussing ideas about our spring CEDA project, "Kites."

Next **PTA Meeting** is Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup> at 7PM on Zoom.

Please email Ms. Lilly Chu, with questions at [Lchu@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:Lchu@schools.nyc.gov).

### REMINDERS

#### 1. **Face Coverings**

- NEW:** As of March 7, face coverings are optional, indoors and outdoors, on NYC public school grounds and on school buses, for all K-12 students and staff with a few exceptions. Please note that while wearing a face covering will no longer be required, anyone who chooses to wear a mask may continue to do so; face coverings will continue to be available.
- Pre-K Students will continue to wear face coverings until further notice.
  - Blue Emergency Forms must be completed for each child and returned to school with your child or emailed to our parent coordinator, Lilly Chu [lchu@schools.nyc](mailto:lchu@schools.nyc) and school secretary, Beth Looks [blooks@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:blooks@schools.nyc.gov).  
<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/docs/default-source/default-document-library/emergency-contact-card>
  - Health Screening must be completed on a daily basis:  
<https://healthscreening.schools.nyc/>
  - Paper copy of Health Screen: <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/docs/default-source/default-document-library/health-screening-questionnaire>
  - COVID-19 Consent Form - Families can use the New York City Schools Account (NYCSA) to submit their COVID-19 consent form. COVID-10 Testing will take place in schools every week for students in grades 1-5.  
<https://www.schoolsaccount.nyc/>
  - COVID-19 Vaccinations** for students ages 5-11 are available. Please reach out to your child's pediatrician with questions.

**Sharing Is Caring** is our school wide theme for our student activities. Sponsored PTA assemblies will support the *NYC DOE Diversity and Equity Initiatives* that promote and foster good citizenship among students, teachers, and families.



Please consider joining our monthly Community Equity Diversity Alliance (CEDA). This is a wonderful forum for parents and staff to discuss ways in which to strengthen our community to be more mindful and compassionate towards all people.

*I note the obvious differences  
We are more alike, my friends,  
Than we are unlike.*

Human Family by Maya Angelou (excerpt)