

P.S. 133Q "Lights Up Your Mind"



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P.S. 133 Students and Families,

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Welcome to the month of May, as we begin our **celebrations** and culminating events, as we simultaneously start to reflect on the past school year. We are so proud of the progress our students have made academically, socially and emotionally since the beginning of the school year. The growth seen in each student is evident, and it demonstrates the collective efforts our staff and families, which should also be celebrated.

This week provides our students in Grades 3-5 with the opportunity to demonstrate their progress made in Mathematics, with the NYS Math Assessment. All students will be working through our end of year **assessment** throughout May, as we progress monitor how our internal systems are working for our students. Our students continue to demonstrate their ability to have conversations about what they are proud of in the classroom, what they are working on, as well as how they plan to achieve their goals. The way our students are taking ownership over their own learning is extremely powerful to see and hear.

Attendance continues to be an important component of the educational experience, as we continue to see a direct correlation between strong attendance rates and high student achievement. While we want to ensure those students who are sick stay home, students need to be in school on as a consistent basis as possible to achieve at their highest potential possible. Please ensure you are making doctors/dentist appointments for your child outside the school day (early in the morning, at the end of the day) and traveling during the holiday breaks to ensure your child is in school as consistently as possible. If you have any questions about your child's attendance, please feel free to reach out to our Attendance Coordinator, Ms. Ugas.

Additionally, we continue to stress the importance that families adhere to the **traffic** laws that keep our children safe. Please do not double park, illegally park, U-turn or conduct any other activity that may impact the safety of our children during arrival or dismissal. Arriving early, parking down the block and walking your child to their entrance, as well as doing the same when picking up for dismissal is the best suggestion, we can make to ensure arrival and dismissal operate as smooth as possible. The 105 pct continues to partner with P.S. 133 and will be supporting our safety initiatives through the remainder of the school year. If you have any suggestions about how to improve the traffic around our building, please reach out to our Parent Coordinator, Ms. Lamont.

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We look forward to engaging with you throughout the month of May:

- 5/2, 5/3 NYS Mathematics Testing
- 5/4 The Brain Show Student Assemblies
- 5/4 Parent Teacher Conferences (4:30pm-7:30pm)
- 5/5 Cinco De Mayo Celebration (During the school day)
- 5/9 Mad Science Student Assembly
- 5/10 1st Grade to the Hall of Science
- 5/12 1st Grade Family Engagement
- 5/16 STEAM Fair (2:30PM)
- 5/17 2nd Grade Trip to Queens College
- 5/17 3K/PreK Family Engagement
- 5/18 Bellerose Library Art Exhibit
- 5/19 Inside Broadway Performance (1:00PM)
- 5/23 Aladdin Performance (4:00PM Tickets Required)
- 5/25 Glen Oaks Library Art Exhibit
- 5/29 MEMORIAL DAY NO SCHOOL!
- 5/30 District 26 Family Art Workshop @ P.S. 133 at 6:30PM
- 5/31 5th Grade End of Year Trip North Shore Day Camp

May's **SLT** meeting will be held on Monday, May 8th at 5:30pm in our Library, while our **PTA** meeting will be held virtually on Tuesday, May 16th at 6:00pm on Zoom.

I will be hosting a Virtual **Coffee and Conversation** on Friday, May 26th at 9:00am, and all are welcome to join by clicking the following link: https://zoom.us/j/95693799909?pwd=SEM0cGxvdWc5Q3paUXhzUzdTYWxBQT09

If this time does not work for your schedule, but you would still like to meet in person, please reach out so we can schedule an alternative time to meet.

Thank you again for all of your continued support to all constituents at P.S. 133, as we continuously work tirelessly to provide the best possible daily experience to all students and families within the P.S. 133 school community.

Thank you for your continued support of our entire school community.

Sincerely, Matthew Paolano Principal