

The Children's Workshop School Update

For the Weeks of 24 September and 1 and 8 October 2012

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We've had a **great kick-off to the school year**, in spite of the construction: thank you to all families for attending the PTA Welcome Breakfast, the first PTA meeting, and Curriculum Night (thank you to parents/grandparents who volunteered to watch the kids). We hope you got a lot of information out of these events. If you have any further questions for your child's teacher, please write a note and put it in your child's backpack or in the teacher's mailbox in the office and she/he will contact you. For the safety of all the children, please don't ask questions of your child's teacher during arrival and dismissal as the teachers need to focus on their students.

Dorothy sent out **middle school directories to all 5th grade families**—any 5th grade family who did not receive one, please visit Dorothy in the library, call or email:

dcantwell2@schools.nyc.gov

Thank you to Melissa, Heather and crew who are doing **Coffee And...** in front of the schoolyard entrance almost every Friday during drop-off and before Community Meeting. If you can donate or help sell, email Melissa: Melissa@childrensworkshopschool.org

Keiko is selling the Rosie-designed **retro-cool CWS t-shirts** (thanks, Rosie!) almost every Friday morning—be on the lookout for logo water bottles. An anonymous friend of our school has also designed and donated another CWS logo t-shirt—we will be selling those soon (thank you!). To help out Keiko out with t-shirt sales on Friday mornings, email Keiko:

treasurer@childrensworkshopschool.org

WEEK OF 24 SEPTEMBER

No school on Weds 26 September for Yom Kippur.

Thurs 27 September—for women only: Rachel, a Children's Workshop School mom (also new Clubs Treasurer) and dancer, is leading a **JourneyDance** workshop at the Paul Taylor Dance Company, 551 Grand Street at 8pm—check the bulletin board in the lobby for full information.

Friday 28 September: Hagen Daz Scoops!—five mystery teachers will be scooping ice cream at the Hagen Daz on 8th Street west of Broadway from 4-7pm—half of the sales will go to our school. Thanks to Melissa for organizing this fun fundraiser and to the teachers for volunteering to scoop.

WEEK OF 1 OCTOBER

Monday 1 October: First day of clubs! Thanks to Darryl and Joyce for organizing such a wonderful selection of after-school clubs—and thanks to the club leaders, many of whom are parents or long-time friends of our school, for sharing their knowledge, talents and cultures with our children.

Monday 1 October—CWS Library opens! Dorothy thanks the PTA for funding a new computer system and the Library Committee parent volunteers, Holly and Margo, for helping her get our fantastic library ready for the new school year. Contact Dorothy if you would like to volunteer one day a week. She will also schedule a full day of book covering and will be looking for volunteers

Friday 5 October—Coffee And... and T-shirt sales during drop-off and before Community Meeting

WEEK OF 8 OCTOBER

No school on Monday 8 October—Columbus Day

Saturday 13 October: Harvest Festival! 11-3 in the schoolyard, lobby, cafeteria and tar beach! Bring friends and family as we celebrate the revival of a Children's Workshop School tradition in honor of **our school's 20th anniversary and Maria's 20th anniversary as principal**. There will be fall harvest class and family presentations and activities, delicious food representing the diverse cultures of our school community, and live music! To help out (especially with set-up and clean-up), contact Julie co-vice-president1@childrensworkshopschool.org or Elizabeth at co-president2@childrensworkshopschool.org

LOOKING FORWARD:

Next school year, our school building, named for doctor and activist Anna Howard Shaw, is turning 100 years old. The three schools in the building, EVCS, PS 94 and us, are organizing a celebration in early Fall 2013. If you would like to get involved in researching and planning, please join the **100 Year Celebration Committee**—email Beth at co-president1@childrensworkshopschool.org

The next PTA meeting is Weds 24 October after drop-off in the lobby.

Check the school website at childrensworkshopschool.org, the bulletin board in the lobby and your child's backpack for updates and information. The school calendar on the website can be uploaded right into a smartphone. If you have any items for this update sent via Dorothy's list, email Beth at co-president1@childrensworkshopschool.org