



# *Public School 3*

## *We fly We soar We achieve*

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**March 3, 2023**

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone enjoyed the mid-winter recess, and you were able to spend quality time with family and friends. During this time, as we plan ahead and reflect upon what we have accomplished, we also expect that students should be showing significant learning growth.

### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

Parent Teacher Conferences will be conducted on Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Conferences are being conducted remotely and parents should have been contacted by teachers to schedule appointments for these conferences. You should now be able to see your child's grades and report cards on your MySchools account. If you have any MySchools issues, please contact our parent coordinator, Janine Guerrieri. In January, all students' reading levels were assessed using the Teachers College Running Records, I-Ready math and reading assessments, and completion of Acadience universal screener (K-2). Parents should know how their child performed with relation to the state standard and grade expectation.

### **Read-a-thon**

Yesterday was the beginning of our school's Read-a-thon, which is a PTA fundraiser and motivator for all students to be reading on a regular basis. The fundraiser will continue for the next three weeks ending on Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. All reading logged this month will count for both the fundraiser and our regular 100 book challenge.

All students should have reached at least three medals this school year and should be approaching their fourth medal. This is based on the expectation that students are reading (or being read to in early grades) for about 3 ½ hours per week. This amount is based on a projection of students reading independently (of books that they have chosen at their level) for 150 hours per year, which is the amount that research demonstrated is the minimum needed for one year's growth.

### **Envision Mathematics**

I would like to bring your attention to our school's math program, Envision Mathematics. *The Parents' Corner* is a website that the program offers to support parents. The link is: <https://parents.savvas.com/>. This site has a parent user guide, "how-to" videos for students and parents, learning tips and login resources. All students through their Teach hub link should be able to access a digital copy of the students' math book. We are working on organizing some workshops for parents to help support their children.

### **NYC School Survey**

Every year, we ask all families and teachers and staff in grades 3-K through 12, and students in grades 6-12 to take the NYC School Survey. The survey is designed to collect important information about each school's ability to support student success. School leaders can use feedback from the survey to reflect and improve schools and programs.

Each student's family will receive an envelope printed with the student's name and ID number. (If registered by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022) Each envelope contains a survey and a pre-paid return envelope. Families can also take the survey online at [www.nycschoolssurvey.org](http://www.nycschoolssurvey.org) (in any of the nine NYCDOE-supported languages) using their survey access code, which is also printed on the survey. The family access code is "f" followed by the child's nine-digit Student Identification (OSIS) Number. Note that "f" must be lowercase. Families can find their child's Student Identification (OSIS) Number on their report card, student ID card, or NYCSA account. The survey can also be accessed online at [NYCSchoolSurvey.org](http://NYCSchoolSurvey.org).

**Important Upcoming Dates**

February 13-March 31	NYC Survey	
March 2 <sup>nd</sup> -March 17 <sup>th</sup>	Read-A-Thon	
March 9 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Teacher Conferences	Remotely
April 6-16	Spring Break	No School
April 21	Eid-al-Fitr	No School

Thank you,

Elmer Myers  
Principal