PS 373R JULY 2010 NEWSLETTER



Message from the Principal:

Dear Parents and Guardians,

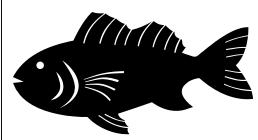
We are having a wonderful start to the Chapter 683 Summer School Program! The staff and students are having so much fun creating and participating in fun and instructional activities aligned with the

summer theme "Under the Sea". Implementing a theme based model encourages children and staff to explore an idea or topic in many different ways. By integrating content areas such as literacy, Social Studies, Science, Math, Music and Art into the school wide theme teachers provide children with an opportunity to form connections and better comprehend the materials. Talk to your child and discuss the activities they will be engaged in over the next few weeks. Each class will be creating a required project at the end of each week and they are already spectacular! Hope you keep safe and cool the remainder of the summer!

-Ilene Goldstein-Harnett

Our PS 373R Summer Theme is "UNDER THE SEA"





Para Rob Campos and Ms. Larson's Class X13 had an "Under the Sea" lesson this Summer. Mr. Rob brought in crabs from Lindy's in Brooklyn. During the dissection lesson, the students studied the internal and external structure of this cool crustacean.



Letter From the New PS 373R PTA President

July 5, 2010

Dear Parents & Teachers,

It is hard to believe that another school year has ended and we are about to approach another. I would like to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Dawn Port and I am the newly elected President for the PTA. My son has attended P373 since kinder-



garten, first at the "J" building at Petrides for 3 years and the past 2 years at the main. I am a business owner based in Staten Island, have served as Vice President on the PTA for 1-1/2 years, the School Leadership Team for 1 year, now serving the second year, and was recently nominated as Secretary for the Presidents Council for District 75.

I feel my contacts and experiences will be beneficial for the school community, parents, and businesses to work for the benefit of our children.

The newly elected PTA Executive Board has been actively communicating during the past weeks and many discussions have taken place regarding the future of the PTA and its impact in the school. Ideas have been tossed around and various events and different fundraisers have been in the works. There are different venues in consideration to help the PTA to be more active in all our sites and to equally provide support and resources, involvement, training and educational growth.

I look forward to meeting with all of you in September and embark on this journey together.

Have a safe and happy summer.

Sincerely,

Dawn Port, P373 PTA President



Anxiety and the Biology of Stress Reduction: 7/29

Hosted by N.A.M.I - National Alliance on Mental Illness - Special Guests, the Authors of "Overcoming Anxiety For Dummies"

Clinical studies have demonstrated that stress reactions exert a pervasive, destructive influence on the onset, progression, management, and recovery process of almost every kind of illness. Dr. Malaspina will discuss stress responses within the body and how to recognize and reduce symptoms. Drs. Elliott and Smith will discuss the basic categories of anxiety disorders and cognitive-behavioral therapy for treatment of symptoms of anxiety and stress.

Date: Thursday, July 29

Time: 6 to 8 pm

Location: NYU Langone Medical Center, Skirball Institute, 3rd Floor

Conference Room, 550 First Avenue, New York, NY 10016

To reserve a place or get more information, call the Helpline at 212-

684-3264.

Precision Design Golf Offers FREE Golf Instruction to Students w/Autism 6 Years and Up

During July 2010, Precision Design Golf will be offering FREE golf

instruction to students with Autism.

Dates: Saturdays

Time: To Be Determined

Location: South Shore Golf Course

Class Size: 5 to 1 Ratio

If interested, please contact Mack Thompson

at 718-619-7075 or

<u>info@precisiondesigngolf.net</u>.

To go to the Precision Design Golf website, link here:

http://www.precisiondesigngolf.net/aboutus.asp

NEW FOOD PANTRY ON STATEN ISLAND!

The Dr. Theodore A. Atlas Foundation supplies and operates a food pantry in furtherance of its commitment to support people in need.

It is housed in the House of Miracles Church, located at 641 Delafield Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10310 off Broadway near Forest Avenue.

It is open to all every Wednesday from 5pm to 7pm. All people in need of food are welcome.

Summer 2010 Free Lunch Program in S.I., NY

July 15, 2010

Dear New Yorker,

Did you know that during the summer kids 18 years old and younger can receive a delicious, balanced meal twice a day for free?

From June 29th through August 27th, the City will be offering free meals to children 18 years of age or younger at hundreds of schools, pools, parks, New York City Housing Authority complexes, and other locations around the City.



No registration, documentation, or ID is required. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., and lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., Monday through Friday.

To find a site near you, call 311. Or go to: for a complete list of sites across the five boroughs.

Thanks!

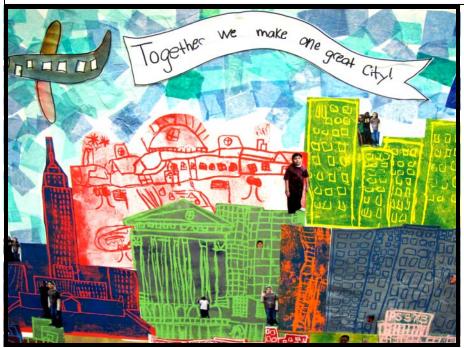
Sincerely, Christine C. Quinn, Speaker, New York City Council

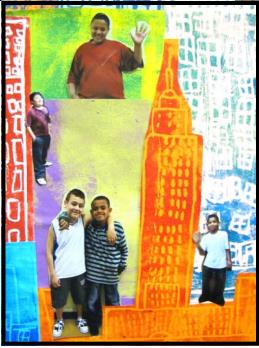
Ms. Brassfield's Class V45 Student Mural will be the July 2011 Page in VSA Citywide Calendar!

Ms. Brassfield's students worked together to create "Together We Make a Great City" - a mural collage of handprinted papers and photos depicting a cityscape. The students learned about the printmaking process, in which they created etching plates from which to print their own contributions to the mural collage. They began with an in depth study of architectural and other city features, in print, online and from perobservation. After sonal



sketching their ideas they transferred their designs to a foam etching plate and tried out several combinations of papers and inks in order to have a varied selection from which to choose. The students not only learned about the craft and language of printmaking, but also about collaboration and working in an assembly fashion to produce multiple prints in an orderly and expeditious manner. the Mural is currently on display at the 2010 VSA Festival at Columbia University.





2nd Annual Film Festival at Petrides "J" Building

On June 24, 2010, our Technology Teacher, Miss Jacci, hosted our 2nd Annual Film Festival at Sunnyside. Students enjoyed popcorn and juice boxes while 7 films were featured.

The films presented included our MoMA Partnership, our Cultural Day Fair, our school mascot Wally Wolf highlighting our new PBIS Program, a Friendship Movie filmed outside in our school yard, Class V01 learning their ABC's, and 2 Social Studies Movies highlighting a web based school-wide project in which our students learned the cultures and traditions of 6 different countries around the world. All scripts for these movies were written, edited, and recorded by our K-2nd grade students during computer lab.

A great time was had by all!!! Our students are very eager to create more movies, so stay tuned to see some new projects that are in the works for our summer school program...



Sunnyside Moving On Ceremony, June 22nd

On June 22, 2010, at the "J" building, we hosted a very special Moving On Ceremony for those students moving to different schools in September. After the Pledge of Allegiance and the Star Spangled Banner our Assistant Principal, Danielle Simeoli greeted students, their families, and our staff members.

Our students sang songs and presented poems. They made Thank You Speeches and received special awards. After the ceremony a beautiful cake was served. Good Luck at your new schools to all of our Sunnyside Students that are moving on!!!

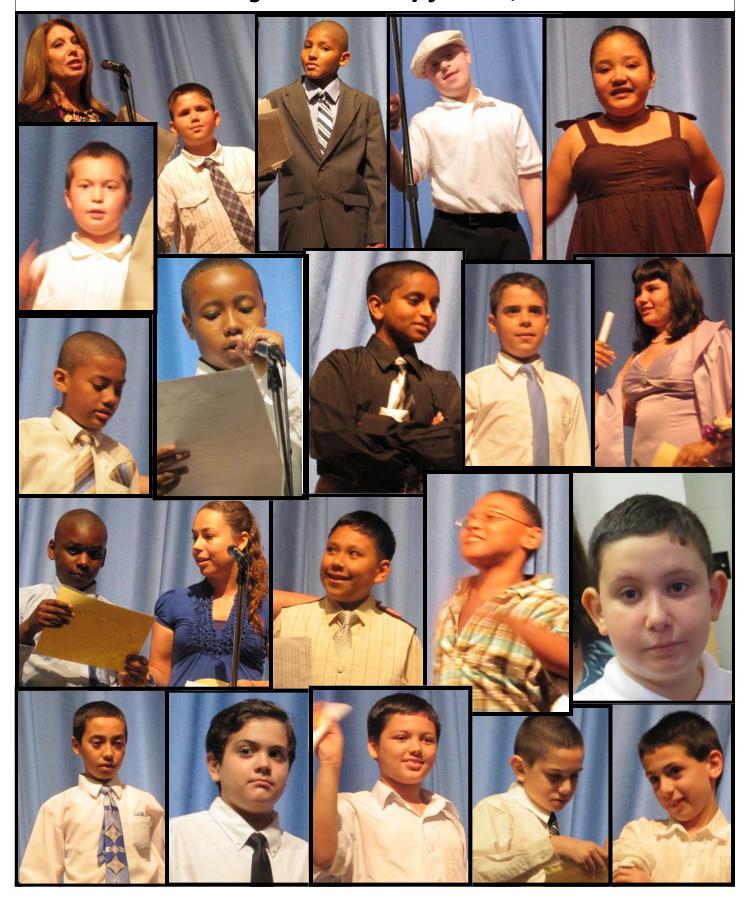


July 25th Moving On Ceremony at the Main Site!





PS 373R @ PS 58 and the Mini Building Moving On Ceremony June 21, 2010



Year End Celebration at PS 65 Site June 2010





AUGUST 2010



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
l Children's Day at Willowbrook Park Carousel 2-5p.m. 2p.m. Kid's Choice DJ 3p.m. Games & Rides	2	3	4	5 STARLIGHT CONCERTS 8-10P.M. Snug Harbor "The Rat Pack"	9	7 S.I. Greenmarket at the S.I. Mall 9- 4p.m.(Richmond Ave. Entrance) Every Sat.! 718) 761-6800
8 "Wild Playgrounds" Clove Lake Park - Join the Park Rangers! 11 a.m. and 2p.m. Every Wednesday thru Sunday to 8/20	6	10	11	12 STARLIGHT CONCERTS 8-10P.IM. Alice Austen House "Manhattan Sky- line"	13 Last Day of Summer School	14 "BACK TO THE BEACH" at Midland Beach *Noon to 9p.m. Music and Food!! 9p.m. FIREWORKS
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22	23 NO SCHOOL	24 NO SCHOOL	25 NO SCHOOL	26 NO SCHOOL	27 NO SCHOOL End of Summer Concert & Fireworks! 7-8:30p.m. Ocean Breeze Fishing Pier	28 CAN
29 March of Dimes "Bikers for Babies" & Car Show at the S.I. Mall Registration 9a.m. (718) 981-3000	30 NO SCHOOL	31 NO SCHOOL	→ 1st D. There i. Friday,	→ 1st Day of School: Wed There is NO SCHOOL 1 Friday, September 10th	→ 1st Day of School: Wednesday, September 8, 2010. There is NO SCHOOL Thursday, September 9th and Friday, September 10th for Rosh Hashanah.	oer 8, 2010. ber 9th and h.