

THE PULSE NEWSLETTER

November 2025

NEW AT PSC

From the Principal's Desk:

Our students and staff have had an exciting and productive month at PSC. We're proud to share that our Girls' Volleyball team has advanced to the finals. Our Football team has also had a strong season and officially made it to the playoffs.

This month's Parent Circle was a wonderful success, bringing families together for meaningful conversation. We look forward to offering more sessions soon.

Academically, students are wrapping up the second cycle of assessments, and report cards will be distributed on December 5. We're already preparing for one of our favorite traditions—Performance Night on January 15, so please save the date!

We were thrilled to welcome over 100 prospective families during our recent Open Houses. Visitors commented on the strong community feel and the thoughtful engagement they saw in classrooms. Our instructional team continues to focus on class size reductions, and we are pleased to report 72% compliance so far.

For 9th grade families, a new Homework System will be announced soon. In addition, the grade will celebrate the season with a Holiday Party and Ice Skating Trip on December 19. Permission slips will be sent home next week (\$20).

Earlier this month, we also had a visit from the Superintendent, who shared very positive feedback—especially highlighting our students' confidence and strong voices.

Finally, our Food Pantry continues to support PSC families, and we are currently in need of both goods and reusable bags. Any contributions are appreciated.

GUEST SPEAKER HIGHLIGHT RAVI RAGBIR:

NEW SANCTUARY COALITION

Ravi Ragbir joined the PSC PTA to share important information for families about navigating ICE encounters and knowing your rights. Students can obtain an NYC ID either at school or through the public library.

Key Guidance for Families

- Make a Plan: Choose a trusted "Buddy," organize key documents, and decide who will care for your children in an emergency.
- If ICE Is Nearby: Stay calm. Do not open the door without a warrant signed by a judge, and you do not have to answer questions.
- If Detained: Do not sign any documents.
 Request a lawyer. Your Buddy can contact the New Sanctuary Coalition for assistance.
- How Community Members Can Help: Stay connected, assist with paperwork, and call for help if someone is at risk.
- Principal Sandusky can provide students with a letter to assist in getting a IDNYC card.

Website: newsanctuarynsc.org

The LOOKING AHEAD

Thurs Dec 18 ZOOM PTA Meeting: 6:00 PM Join us for the next PTA meeting remotely.



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Tuesday December 2, 2025 Park Slope Collegiate Second Floor Library

KEEPING SCORE

Want to show off your team? Get school spirit gear https://www.johnjayjaguars.org/jaguar-store

ATHLETIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Student Athlete Academic Support has begun!

Mon-Fri 2:30-4pm Any student-athlete interested in learning more should see Coach Rob.

Table Tennis Club is open to all grades, schools, and genders. Meets Wednesdays, 3:30–5:00 PM in the John Jay cafeteria.

More info at johnjayjags.com

RECENT WINS:

Girls Volleyball — Win vs Madison

Boys Fencing — Win vs Long Island City

MIDDLE SCHOOL UPDATES:

After Thanksgiving, students will transition to Yondr pouches as part of our schoolwide phone policy.

PTA MEETING SCHEDULE

- December 18 (Remote)
- January 15 (Annual Potluck)
- February 26 (Remote)
- March 26
- April 16
- May 28 (Elections)
- June 18

Dates are subject to change.

Everyone is welcome.



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STAY CONNECTED!

WhatsApp groups for families to talk about school-related issues:

Join 6th grader families WhatsApp: https://chat.whatsapp.com/Kj]YID48wWFHhMbaMHBcPS? mode=ems_copy_t

Join 7th grader families WhatsApp: https://chat.whatsapp.com/LOXLgeNX0bPEGmqAAvbtbn? mode=ems_copy_t

Join 8th grader families WhatsApp: https://chat.whatsapp.com/BkjcCOo0uzA7JMCexsD5ay? mode=ems_copy_t

Join 9th grader families WhatsApp: https://chat.whatsapp.com/JdHU4irOsVR4HlpREJsd2Q? mode=ems_copy_t

Join 10th grader families WhatsApp: https://chat.whatsapp.com/IIRYo24w4PpLKgZqYEtiig? mode=ems_copy_t

Join 11th grader families WhatsApp: https://chat.whatsapp.com/BnRshjHwfwXFsGz2uKbg8M? mode=ems_copy_t

Join 12th grader families WhatsApp: https://chat.whatsapp.com/LKB4NtELRPcDqlCjvwK5On? mode=ems_copy_t

GIVING TUESDAY - SUPPORT PSC

This month, we're celebrating Giving Tuesday—a chance for families and community members to support PSC programs, events, and student activities.

If you'd like to contribute, any donation—big or small—helps our PTA continue providing resources, workshops, and community events for all families.

Thank you for supporting our school community!

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