

# THE NAS VILLAGER

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## School Closed

### Rosh Hashanah

September 21 and 22

## Save the Dates

### Parent Evening - All Classes

October 3 6:30 to 8:30pm

### Community Gathering

Be a part of the future! Plans for the future of New Amsterdam School will be unveiled on **October 14**.

9:30am Family Fun

10:30am Vision & Questions - followed by more fun!

You will walk away knowing exactly how you can contribute to the sustainability of New Amsterdam. We need everyone there. Please add this to your calendar!

## Yelp! Help!

Be an influencer...This week please write a **review of NAS on Yelp**. It takes less than 5 minutes, even if you need to sign up.



## The Circle of Community

I've spoken to many parents in the last week and found that above all else at New Amsterdam parents value the dedicated faculty and the classroom experience they provide. Some specifics parents mention are deep care for their child, time outside, high-quality food, and an electronic media-free school environment. But, universally, parents I spoke with also mentioned community. Like-minded parenting styles, shared meaningful work, friendships, and the feeling of belonging to a group with a larger social mission are all highly valued by you and your fellow parents.

Show your support for our dedicated faculty and this community as a whole by gathering with us on Saturday, October 14th. We will have prepared for you a comprehensive picture of the faculty and board's vision for the future with concrete details and plenty of time to ask questions. We can't do this without you and your input. **New Amsterdam will succeed when parents are co-creating its future with faculty and board.** This has at times been a challenge. Join us to create a *new* New Amsterdam! - JC



## Enrichment Classes for Parents and Friends

Join us and get to know other community members in an open and welcoming atmosphere. Bring a friend. Questions encouraged!

Sign up at the front desk, call, or email Jennifer Chace.

- **Waldorf Grade School Curriculum** - Begins Wed., Sept. 27, 8:45 to 10:15am with Jennifer. (*Time and dates could change to suit those who sign up.*) What makes Waldorf a revolutionary education that prepares students for an uncertain future? Come for all 8 weeks or 15 minutes!
- Monday **Eurythmy** - Begins October 9 8:45 to 9:30am with Brigida Baldszun. Experience how eurythmy can refresh and renew you - a great way to start the week!

## Come follow, follow...

- Follow us on **INSTAGRAM**, **FACEBOOK** and **TWITTER** and get the latest news and photos!

## Faculty Focus:

### Anna Park, Music Teacher

Juilliard and Waldorf mix well at New Amsterdam.

Ms. Anna is our first and second grade music teacher, in addition to being a support in all areas of the school. She is a pianist, a music director, and a trained Waldorf teacher.

Anna moved to the U.S. at the age of 13 to attend Juilliard, and since then she has performed at numerous venues including Carnegie Hall. She studied at Oberlin College and Conservatory and there taught music to children with autism at a local high school. After college, she returned to South Korea to pursue Waldorf certification led by teachers from the Stuttgart Waldorf Teachers College.

Anna is passionate about developing a **“Listening Art”** curriculum to help city children who are exposed to consistent noise pollution. This meditative approach will offer your children moments of quiet, calm, and focus and opportunities for each to deepen his or her inner life.

Outside of school, Anna plays with her trio and duo band, spends time outdoors in nature, and cooks Korean food.

## Robin’s Nest until 6pm?

Consistent, high-quality after-school care at NAS.

In response to your comments, we are considering extending our aftercare until 6pm for those in Willow Garden and older. Ms. Kaori is leading the curriculum planning in consultation with the full faculty. We need a minimum number to begin. **Email Jennifer with interest:**

[jennifer.chace@newamsterdamschool.org](mailto:jennifer.chace@newamsterdamschool.org)

## Village Peeps - Now Enrolling!

3:15 to 5pm T, W, & F. Spanish, Choir, and Japanese for grades 1 and 2. Older Junipers are welcome to apply.