



Goosehill Primary School
Weekly Notes- February 7, 2014

Dear Parents,

Thanks once again to the GPFA and the support of all of our parents, our students enjoyed a science assembly designed to help them see that science is part of everything we do. In "Slapstick Science," Physicist Quentin Quark taught them about **Newton's Laws of Motion** through some exciting everyday examples. Our students learned about inertia (an object's change in motion or direction), force (a push or a pull) and acceleration (the measure of change of an object's velocity).

- 1) Newton's First Law: An object at rest will stay at rest, and an object in motion will stay in motion until acted upon by an outside force.
- 2) Newton's Second Law: An object will accelerate in the direction of the force. The greater the force, the greater the acceleration.
- 3) Newton's Third Law: For every action there is an equal and opposite reaction.

I hope you'll ask your child to tell you about the program and what s/he learned. Try using the science vocabulary Dr. Quark used and ask your child to tell you what happened to the egg, the tennis ball, and what caused Dr. Quark to move on his roller blades. The teachers will be following up with classroom discussions as well. The more we talk about science and the more we use scientific vocabulary, the better our students will be at seeing the world through a scientist's eyes.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Warm regards,

Lynn Herschlein

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Valentine's Day

If you plan to purchase Valentines for your child to give to his/her friends, please remember that **candy cannot be distributed in school**, even if it is attached to a card. Thank you for your cooperation.

Green Tip of the Week: Please share and discuss the green tip with your child.

I conserve energy to help our planet. When I leave a room, I switch off the light. When I stop watching TV, I switch it off.

Kindergarten Registration

If your preschool child will be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2014, s/he is eligible for kindergarten in September 2014. Please contact the District Registrar, **Gloria Albert (631-367-5910)** to register your child for kindergarten. If you had an appointment on February 3rd or 5th, please contact Mrs. Albert to reschedule.

Tardy Students

There are three very important reasons to avoid having your child arrive late to school:

When your child arrives late to school:

- your child begins the day in a hurried and stressful way.
- there is a loss of instructional time for all students in the class as the teacher stops to welcome and assist your child.
- late arrivals require continued updates to our attendance records. In the event of an emergency, this has the potential to affect our ability to account for the whereabouts of every child.

We appreciate your efforts to have your child arrive to school every day between **8:20 and 8:30**. Thank you!

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 12th- GPFA meeting 9:30. Mrs. Herschlein will talk on the topic of *Homework*.

February 15th -23rd- Winter Recess

February 28th- 100th Day of School (morning program for Kindergarten parents-more info to follow)

NOTES FROM THE GPFA

Thank you all for attending 1st Grade Family Fun Night and to all who helped out! A big thank you to Terri & Steve Tozer for chairing both Kindergarten and 1st Grade Family Fun Nights and for making them such a success!

The Nominating Committee is in need of one more volunteer to help elect the Executive Board for the 2014-2015 school year. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Christiane Franzese
@christianefranzese@gmail.com

Although Goose Hill's goal is always outdoor recess, this year the School Improvement Team hopes to provide better indoor recess options for our children on those bitterly cold winter days. Please consider donating new or gently used Legos, Tinker Toys, Duplos, Mega blocks, other building materials, small figures, cars, trucks, craft and jewelry kits, coloring books or anything else you think the kids might enjoy during indoor recess. Thanks to all of our families who have already donated great items for the children to enjoy!

Please continue to send in Box Tops. February is the last month to turn them in this school year!

Please make the following ***correction in your school directory*** for:

Spielberger, Ruby.....correct address is **ONE** Coon Hollow Road, Lloyd Neck

Thank you!

For Kids & Teens! Programs from Cold Spring Harbor Library's Youth Services Department. Registration Required!

VALENTINE'S DAY CHOCOLATE EXTRAVAGANZA!

Tuesday, February 11 @ 4:30
Wednesday, February 12 @ 4:30 pm
For Children in Grades K-6



Learn all about chocolate then dip delicious Valentine's Day chocolate treats

VALENTINE'S DAY CRAFT HOUR

Friday, February 14 @ 3:30 pm—4:30 pm
For Children of all ages



Drop by between 3:30—4:30 to make a project that you may have missed.
Create a beautiful picture frame or a valentine Glitter Trees
to give to your special valentine

**For
Teens!**

TEEN Community Service

For students in grades 7-12,
Teen Book Reviews begins February 3! Read and review can earn you
2 community service hours!

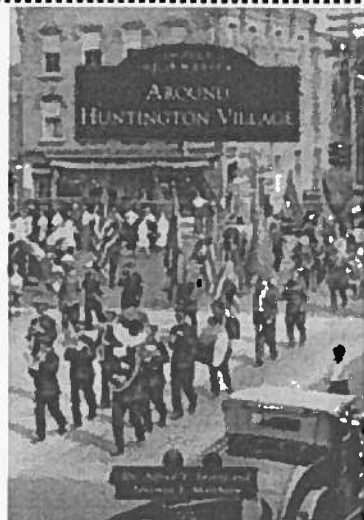
For more information about any Kids or Teen Programs, contact a Youth Services Librarian at the Cold Spring Harbor Library - 631-692-6820

For Adults! Programs for Grown-Ups from Cold Spring Harbor Library's Information Services Department

Around Huntington Village Lecture

Sunday, February 9, 2014 at 1:30pm

Co-authors Dr. Alfred V. Sforza and Antonia S. Mattheou will share photographs from the long history of Huntington Village and the stories behind them. Cold Spring Harbor residents will recognize several buildings from their own backyard. Books will be available for purchase and signing after the presentation.



For more information about any Adult Program, contact Information Services at the Cold Spring Harbor Library at 631-692-6820.