



Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes- September 27, 2013



Dear Parents,

Thank you to the GPFA for a wonderful family *Welcome-Back Picnic* on Friday! It was a beautiful afternoon and everyone had a terrific time. The children loved the bounce houses, obstacle course, playing on our playground, and dancing with the DJ. Thank you to all of the class parents who organized pizza, drinks, and desserts for our families. It was a great way to begin the year together!

The children have really settled into the structure and routines of school. As I visit the classrooms, I am impressed with all they are doing--- reading, writing, sorting, counting, and practicing their handwriting. I have enjoyed listening to them share stories with their peers, explain their thinking about math problems, and make scientific predictions using their five senses. Please let your child know how proud you are of all of his/her efforts in school.

All classes now have **Charters** which embody the children's ideas about how they want to feel in school and the things they will do in order to help everyone feel that way. We also held meetings with two classes at a time to develop a school charter---one that addresses how children should conduct themselves in the halls, lunchroom, on the playground, and on the school vans. Please ask your child about the charters they helped to write. I will share the completed Charter with you next week. The children will show their commitment to the School Charter by signing it (ceremoniously!) during their lunch periods next week.

As an additional component of our Social-Emotional Learning program, we have introduced the children to the first vocabulary words in the Feeling Words Curriculum. Kindergarten children are learning the word *excited* and first graders are learning the word *thrilled*. Teachers are sharing stories that exemplify the words and reading children's books with characters who express those feelings. A family homework assignment will be distributed in the coming days when you will be asked to share a story of your own. The children love to hear their parents' stories, and to share them at school through retelling, writing, and drawing. We hope you enjoy the experience.

Thank you for attending your child's Back to School Night. The teachers and I greatly appreciate your commitment to our home-school partnership. If you are able, please attend the GPFA meeting on October 9th at 9:30 a.m. to learn more about school happenings. I will also share some ideas about ways you can help your child grow as a reader at that meeting. At 10:30 a.m., I will meet with parents interested in volunteering during their child's lunch and recess period to present the program's guidelines. The Lunch/Recess Volunteer program runs October through May. If you wish to participate, your attendance at the meeting is required. There will be additional meetings offered in case you are unable to attend this one.

Again, thank you for your continued support. Enjoy the weekend!

Warm regards,

Lynn Herschlein

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Scholastic Book Fair at Lloyd Harbor School

Goosehill parents and grandparents are invited to visit the Book Fair on October 16th, 17th, and 18th in the LHS Little Theater from 9:00-2:00. Books for all reading levels will be available, as well as books for adults, gift ideas, and some novelties.

Board of Education

The Cold Spring Harbor Board of Education will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 8th at 8:00pm at the Francis Roberts Community Center (District Office, 75 Goosehill Road). All members of the community are invited to attend.

Notes from the GPFA

Thanks to all the 1st grade parents for coming to Back to School Night on Tuesday. We appreciate you taking the time out of your busy schedules to meet your child's teacher and see their classrooms.

Some quick reminders:

- Please remember to give your class parents the class dues (\$40) as soon as possible (if you haven't done so already).
- The CFA is having a fundraiser at The Frozen Kettle (located on NY Ave in Huntington) tonight (Friday) from 4-7pm. Come by and have some frozen yogurt (20% of the proceeds go to the CFA)!
- Photo day is on October 3rd and the order forms have been sent home with your child this past week. Please make sure to return them as soon as possible. Thank you to Melissa Saladino and Jen Sirris for co-chairing. Please let them know if you have any questions.

Focus presents: Dr. Rona Novick, October 17, 10:00 am at the PAC.

Clinical child psychologist and university professor in education, Dr. Rona Novick, will speak on raising socially responsible children in a media challenged world. Whether your child just entered kindergarten or is looking at college, you are guaranteed to laugh and leave with practical tips and strategies that work. We hope to see you there.

School Directory

You will be receiving the school directory from the GPFA shortly. Please make the following correction to Mrs. Franzese's email: The correct email is: christianefranzese@gmail.com.

Central Parent's Council News, October:

CPC, Central Parent's Council, is a meeting that is held the first Thursday of the month at 9:00 AM at CSH District Office. Each school in our district is represented by their parent group presidents, and representatives. The meeting is an OPEN meeting where all are welcomed and encouraged to attend. The meeting is always attended by our District Administration and Board of Education Members and each school and parent group gives a report on district wide issues.

Central Parent's Council had its first meeting on 9/12/13. Our speakers were Mr. Michael Bongino, Principals Mr Jay Matuk, Valerie Massimo and Lynn Herschlein giving reports for their respective schools, as well as Dr Wilansky, Dr Bellino, and Mr. Contess who were on hand to update us on back to school issues. All of the Parent Group Presidents, or their designees were on hand to give reports and the meeting was well attended.

Please join us at The Francis Roberts Community Center at Cold Spring Harbor District Office on 10/3/13 at 9AM as we welcome our Superintendent, Dr. Judith Wilansky, and ASST Superintendent, Dr. Lydia Bellino as the discuss the NYS Common Core assessments.

CPC welcomes all parent input and comments during the "new business" portion of the meeting. It is a chance to brainstorm issues and problems with the group that directly relates to our children and our school district as a whole. I urge all parents to attend.--- Helen Daly, Chairperson

From the Cold Spring Harbor Children's Department...

Do you have a child in Kindergarten or 1st grade?
Sign them up for our NEW Facts & Fun program!

In keeping with the New York State Common Core guidelines, this storytime for older children will explore different topics through nonfiction reading, crafts, and other fun activities. As always, registration is required, so sign your child up for one or all of these exciting programs today!

Fall Facts & Fun Schedule



Monday, September 30th at 4:30pm
Autumn Adventures

LAST CHANCE!!

Monday, October 7th at 4:30pm
Animals Down Under



Wednesday, October 23rd at 4:30pm
All About Halloween

Monday, November 4th at 4:30pm
Our Pets



Wednesday, November 13th at 4:30pm
Ocean Life

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95 Harbor Rd.
Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724
631-692-6820
www.cshlibrary.org

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



Knitting Class with Loop on Main of Cold Spring Harbor

4 Thursdays: October 3, 10, 17 and 24, from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

**Learn to knit, brush up on your skills,
or get help with a current project from professionals!
Register in advance at the Information Services Desk.**

Fee: \$80 payable by check to Cold Spring Harbor Library (includes materials).

Max class size: 12.

**Stay Well Naturally During
Cold and Flu Season!**

Wednesday, October 2, 12:30pm - 2:00pm



Naturopathic Doctor Jillian Finker, a licensed Naturopathic Doctor with over ten years of experience in natural medicine, will discuss the best vitamins and supplements for optimal health.

Come learn about the hidden dangers in the food we eat and how to avoid them.

Q & A to follow.

eBooks, Streaming Video, Music & Audiobooks

24/7 access to a continually growing collection of:

- fiction & nonfiction
- classics & bestsellers
- music
- independent films

for computers and mobile devices.

Not Just for Adults!

We have what your children & teens want for fun and need for school.

Visit www.cshlibrary.org, click on "*Download eBooks, Video, Music & Audiobooks,*" and follow the links.

For more information about any Adult Program, contact the Cold Spring Harbor Library Information Services Desk at 631-692-6820 or askref@cshlibrary.org.

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COLD SPRING HARBOR YOUTH BASKETBALL CLINIC

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2013 – 2014 SEASON

Please print out the application, fill it out completely & mail with your check, made out to “**CSH Youth Basketball League**” to:

Chris Northacker
1 Saw Mill Lane
Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

DEADLINE: Oct. 5, 2013

PLAYERS: All Boys and Girls in 1st and 2nd grade

FEE: \$85.00 (includes uniforms, basketballs, insurance, facilities use fees & trophies)
Cash or check made out to “CSH Youth Basketball League”

- * Separate clinic for boys and girls
- * Clinics to be held on Saturdays at Goosehill Primary School
- * Clinics run from December 2013 thru March 2014
- * 9 weeks of basketball
- * Trophies for every player

If you have any questions, please call Bridget Perlmutter at 631-367-1096

PARENTS WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!! LET US KNOW ON THE APPLICATION IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN COACHING.

COLD SPRING HARBOR YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

REGISTRATION FEE : \$85.00 (1st and 2nd grade players)

Make Check Payable to: **CSH YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE**

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

HOME PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

SCHOOL _____ GRADE _____ BOY _____ GIRL _____

DID YOU PLAY IN THE CSH BASKETBALL LEAGUE LAST YEAR ? _____

WHO WAS YOU COACH ? _____

MOTHER'S NAME _____ CELL # _____

FATHER'S NAME _____ CELL # _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ PHONE # _____

DOCTOR'S NAME & PHONE # _____

MEDICAL CONDITIONS OR PROBLEMS _____

PARENTS SUPPORT: WE ASK FOR PARTICIPATION OF PARENTS IN OUR PROGRAM ! PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOXES

COACH _____ ASST. COACH _____

We expressly assume all risks & hazards, directly from, or incidental to, participation in the CSH Youth Basketball League and we do hereby hold harmless the organizers, supervisors, coaches & participants from any claim arising out of injury to our Son/Daughter except to the extent & in the amount covered by applicable accident or liability insurance. We as Parents/Guardians have medical insurance for our Son/Daughter in case of injury associated with the CSH Youth Basketball League & acknowledge that the CSH Youth Basketball League does not have any medical insurance.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN _____

Cash _____ Check # _____ Check Amount _____

**COLD SPRING HARBOR
YOUTH LACROSSE**



**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN
FOR SPRING 2014**

**Boys 2nd-6th Grade Travel
Girls 3rd-6th Grade Travel**

***Registration Closing
OCTOBER 31st**

**Register TODAY!!
Go to cshlax.com**

***All late registrants for travel will be charged \$100 late fee.
K-1 Boys and K-2 Girls non-travel registration will remain open.**