

West Side School

Friday Notes

January 31, 2014

Principal's Corner

On Monday our fifth and sixth grade Winter Concert took place in our gym during school for our younger students, followed by an encore performance in the evening at the Performing Arts Center for family and friends. The final number our chorus sang was accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation highlighting our sixth graders' photography unit in Art. Student photographs were timed seamlessly with singing in a powerful end to the show. Our students continue to amaze me with their creativity and artistic perspective!

Congratulations to all of our performers as well as our Music and Art departments for supporting our learners. Also, special thanks to sixth graders, Sabrina Haas and Kaitlyn Fare, our MCs for the two performances.

Sabrina and Kaitlyn participated as part of the sixth grade H.E.R.O. Project, a School Improvement Team (SIT) initiative. Also on Monday, our 4th grade hosted their Huntington Interfaith Homeless Initiative (HIHI)

Sandwich Making Event. Thank you West Side Kids Care! In preparation for the Super Bowl on Sunday, Student Council hosted Jersey Day at the end of the week. Students and faculty showed their spirit by wearing their favorite jerseys to school. Thank you to all who participated!

Thank you to Mrs. Boutis and Mrs. Franklin for a successful Movie Night last Friday!

Health Screenings

Health screenings for students in grades 2, 3, 5 and 6 continued this week and are anticipated to end by the beginning of February.

Report Cards on Parent Portal

Report cards will be available on the parent portal in the coming weeks.

Kindergarten Registration

If you have not received a letter from the Superintendent regarding Kindergarten Registration for your child, please call Gloria Albert in our District Office to verify your child's name being in the district data base. Registration is for those children turning five by December 1st, 2014. Gloria can be reached at (631) 692-5910.

Daddy and Me

Don't miss Daddy and Me on Sunday, February 9th from 5:30-7:00 PM. There will be lots of fun games, music and a pasta dinner to warm us all during this cold winter. If you would like to volunteer on that evening, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Donna Vallone at: energizerd@hotmail.com or 516-443-6394.

Talent Show

Lights, Camera, Action. The Talent Show is a little over a month away. Because of the holiday and snow day this week, we decided to extend the deadline for submitting applications and music until January 31, 2013. This is the very LAST date of submissions. As soon as all the applications are in, I will email you to let you know which act you have been assigned so that you can plan accordingly for the rehearsal schedule. Anybody who has not submitted music to me by 1/31, I will be sending you either an email or a CD with the first 2 minutes of the song edited down. Please read the Talent Show Rules for rehearsal dates and other important information. If you are interested in volunteering day of show, please contact Randi at Randi_Weiss@hotmail.com or Jenn at Cona@Genserlaw.com. The quality of the show is up to all of you. The more you practice, the better the show will be.

**A note to all 6th grade parents, we are looking for a parent volunteer to create the 6th grade group act. It can be a dance, song, etc. (6th grade students may be in the group act as well as their own act.) It would be open to all 6th graders (boys and girls). Please contact me asap if you would like to volunteer at Randi_Weiss@hotmail.com. If we don't get a volunteer, there will be no 6th grade group act.

West Side Clothing

Visit <u>www.mylocker.net</u> and click on **Get Started**. Enter our zip code – **11791**. Then click **Search**. Scroll down and select **West Side Elementary School**. You now have the ability to purchase and personalize West Side School apparel. Happy shopping!

West Side Kids Care

Happy New Year to all. Please continue to donate to the West Side Food Pantry. Perhaps canned soup to keep everyone warm?

Yearbook

WE NEED YOUR PICTURES! The 2014 Yearbook is going to be spectacular but we need your help! PLEASE UPLOAD PICTURES OF ANY EVENTS YOU ATTEND, EVEN RECESS!

Upload process:

- Go to: https://images.memoryebooks.com/login
- Enter username: 400264488 and password: ny14
- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload (photos must be saved to your computer before uploading to memory book site).
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
 - Click "Save Details".

It's that easy! Submit your photos today! Any questions or to volunteer, please contact Iris Vardy.

Recess Volunteer Program

If you would like to volunteer at recess during the 2013/2014 school year, please contact Laurel Moynihan at laurelmoynihan@verizon.net.

Important WSS Dates

Daddy & Me: Sunday, February 9th from 5:30-7:00 PM

PTG Meeting: Tuesday, February 11th at 9:30 AM in the Community Room

Talent Show Rehearsal: Tuesday February 11th at 3:30 PM in the Gym

BOE Meeting: Tuesday, February 11th at 8:00 PM at District Office

Talent Show Rehearsal: Thursday, February 13th at 3:30 PM in the Gym

Mid-Winter Recess (No School): February 17 – 21

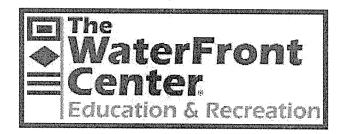
Talent Show Rehearsal at the PAC: Thursday, February 27th at 3:30

Talent Show: Friday, February 28th at 7:30 PM at the PAC

Attachments from the School

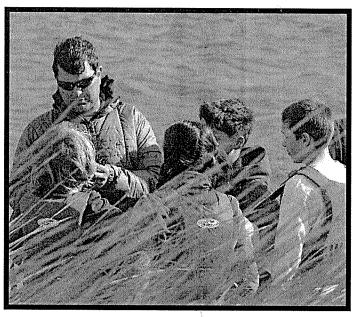
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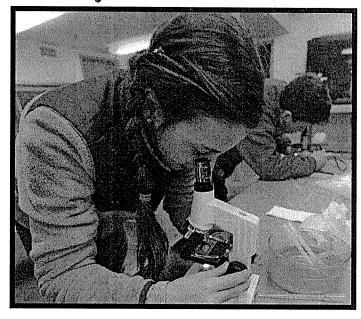
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School Vacation Programs

Winter & Spring Break: Feb. 17 - 21 & April 14-18





Discover the Oyster Bay National Wildlife Refuge!

Who: Kindergarten - 6th grade students

Schedule: Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 1pm or 8:30am - 4:30pm

Cost: \$40/\$160 Half Day, \$80/\$320 Full Day

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Visit our website for more information about Junior Summer Programs, Birthday Parties, SUP & Kayak Rentals, Scouting Activities, and more!

www.TheWaterFrontCenter.org

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

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY

Celebrate! Saturday February 1 @ 2:00 pm For Children and their Families Come in with your family to make a cozy Fleece no-sew Tie Pillow!

VALENTINE'S DAY PICTURE FRAMES



Monday, February 3 @ 4:30 pm Wednesday, February 5 @ 4:30 pm For Children in Grades K-6



Create a beautiful picture frame to give to your special valentine

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



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

Canta Libre Chamber Ensemble

Saturday, February 2, 2014 at 2pm

A return engagement, this talented group of conservatory-trained musicians will perform music specifically written for flute, harp, and strings. This program is free and open to all.



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