



# Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes- April 17, 2015



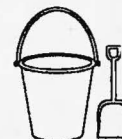
Dear Parents,

With Earth Day approaching, we are celebrating the Earth in a variety of ways in our classrooms and school. Next week, your family will have the opportunity to enjoy a week of **Family Focus Homework**, which will invite you to enjoy the outdoors with your children and read and talk about ways to respect and enjoy the natural world.

Here are some additional ideas, courtesy of the National Audubon Society, for ways to engage your children in outdoor learning and play after school and on weekends:

\* **I Spy:** Draw your children's attention to the natural world whenever you can, whether you're walking outside or looking out the window. Simple statements like, "Look at those baby flowers pushing out of the ground!" or "I see a bird making its nest." will invite children to observe and engage in the natural world around them.

\* **Fresh Air Fun:** Find ways to maximize your children's time outside. Make backyard and park play a regular part of their activities. Children need to run, climb, and roll down grassy hills!



\* **Keep it Simple:** Children don't need a carload of tools and toys to entertain themselves outdoors. A simple pail and shovel may be all they need. Let them use their imaginations!

\* **Moon Walk:** Go for a nighttime walk. Take a flashlight and explore one area not lit up by electric lights. What do you see? Hear? Smell?

\* **Home Tweet Home:** Make a bird feeder and start feeding and watching birds out your window.

\* **Bug Watch:** Head outdoors and have your children find as many different kinds of insects as they can. Bring a magnifying glass for a close-up look!



\* **Puddle Stompers:** The next time there's a major downpour, venture outside with your children. Let them discover the joys of stomping in puddles and seeing what the wet world looks like.

\* **Harvest Time:** As often as possible, take your children to orchards, wild berry patches, farms, and other places where they can pick fruits and vegetables. Grow some of your own in a backyard garden.

\* **Car-Free and Care-Free:** Try to replace at least one car trip a week with a walk or a bike ride. It's healthy for people and the environment.



Thankfully it's finally warm enough to be outdoors! Enjoy the beautiful weekend!

Lynn Herschlein

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### **Thank you, Mrs. Ranaldo!**

Mrs. Ranaldo showed boundless energy as she led the kindergarten students and their siblings in a night of dancing last night! Everyone had a terrific time! Next Thursday, first graders will enjoy their own dance night.

### **Yoga**

Thank you to the GPFA, the kindergarten students enjoyed a fantastic yoga session today! The sessions included breathing, exercise, and yoga relaxation. Throughout the sessions, the children were focused and highly engaged. Ask your child to demonstrate some of the poses s/he learned!



### **Important Reminder Regarding Dismissal:**

In order to ensure the safety and well-being of all children at dismissal time, it is very important that there are no last-minute changes to any child's plan. If parents arrive at dismissal time for an unplanned pick-up or call to make a late-in-the-day change to a dismissal plan, there is the potential for confusion or error.

**Therefore, we will no longer be able to accept changes after 11:00 a.m.** Please review your child's dismissal plan with him/her in the morning and if a change is necessary, be sure to send a clearly-written note that addresses that day's change. Please use the yellow transportation pad and include all the necessary information, such as names and phone numbers.

*\*If an emergency arises, and you need to make a change after 11:00 a.m., please call the Main Office and ask to speak to Mrs. Herschlein.*

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

-Earth Day

-First Graders enjoy yoga in school

**Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>**

-First Grade Dance 6-7 p.m.

**Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**

-Recess Activities, courtesy of the DeSimone Family

**Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**

-First Graders visit the CSH Labs (permission slip will be sent home next week)

### **Notes from the GPFA**

On Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1st Grade students will be introduced to the practice of yoga. Each class will enjoy a thirty minute session of yoga, courtesy of the GPFA. The owner of Little Lotus Yoga will be sharing the practice with the children. Please be sure to send in your child wearing comfortable clothing.

The 1st Grade Dance will be held at 6PM on Thursday, April 23rd. Get on your dancing shoes!

Earth Day activities will be held for all students at Goosehill on Friday, April 24th. Children will have a chance to participate in fun activities that celebrate Earth Day such as planting in recycled cartons during their science class and planting native seeds. Field games for Earth Week are courtesy of the DeSimone family.



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

## **FLOWERPOT CAKES**

**Monday, April 27 & Wednesday, April 29 4:30 p.m.**

**for children in grades K-6**



**Create your own edible flowerpot cake!**

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

***Programs and Services from Cold Spring Harbor  
Library's Information Services Department***

## **Clear Out Your File Cabinets! Paper Shredding Event Saturday, April 18, from 10am to 1pm**



**Bring two or three boxes of your papers  
and have them properly disposed of by our  
professional shredding company. PAPER only,  
no magazines, newspapers, cardboard, or  
carbon paper. Drive right up; the shredding  
truck will be in the library's parking lot.**

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

## **2015 HUNTINGTON SPORTS LEAGUE**

### **T-BALL/BASEBALL/SOFTBALL SEASON**

**COME JOIN THE FUN AS THE HUNTINGTON SPORTS LEAGUE (HSL) PREPARES FOR THEIR 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SEASON OF SERVING THE YOUTH OF HUNTINGTON.**

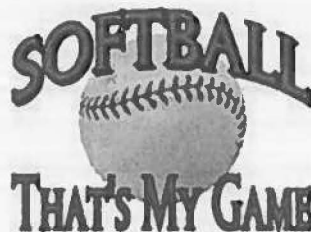
**FOR THE BOYS WE OFFER T-BALL FROM GRADES K-2, WITH EACH GRADE'S RULES INDIVIDUALIZED, AND BASEBALL FOR GRADES 3-4, 5-6 & 7-8-9.**

**FOR THE GIRLS WE OFFER T-SOFTBALL FOR GRADES K, 1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> & SOFTBALL FOR GRADES 3-4, 5-6 & 7 THRU 12.**

**REGISTRATION FEES RANGE FROM \$65 TO \$85 WITH A FAMILY MAX OF \$170**

**ALL GAMES ARE PLAYED AT LOCAL FIELDS AND PROFESSIONAL UMPIRES ARE USED FOR GAMES 3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE AND OLDER IN BOTH SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL.**

**THE SEASON RUNS FROM THE END OF APRIL TO THE END OF JUNE. TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD PLEASE GO TO WWW.HUNTINGTONSPORTSLEAGUE.ORG & PLEASE BRING A FRIEND!!!!**







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*Residents and Their Furry Friends are Invited to the 4th Annual*

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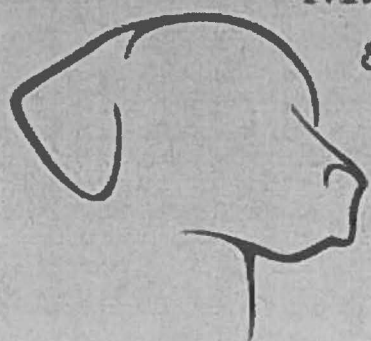
## PET ADOPTION

## FESTIVAL & BENEFIT



*Sponsored by:*

*Manetto Hill Animal Hospital  
& the Town of Oyster Bay*



**Sunday, May 3rd**  
**11 am to 3pm**



*at the Manetto Hill Animal Hospital & Paw Seasons Hotel & Day Spa*  
**122 Manetto Hill Road, Plainview**



**FREE**  
**ADMISSION**  
Leashed Pets Welcome

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🐾 Pet Exhibitions 🐾 Food 🐾 Great Raffles

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