

Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes- September 5, 2014

Dear Parents,

The children had a wonderful first week! Thank you for everything you did to prepare them for the start of the new school year. They entered the building happily and confidently on Wednesday! Within minutes of their arrival each morning, they were busy unpacking their backpacks, talking and laughing with their classmates, and getting ready to start the day.

We appreciate your efforts to get your child to bed early in the evening and to school on time in the morning. A predictable routine and plenty of sleep are very important for children. The teachers eased their students into the routines and demands of the school day, and were especially sensitive in light of the hot weather this week. Despite all of our efforts, you may have noticed that your child was a little more tired than usual. It may take a little while for him/her to adjust to the structure and pace of school. We recommend a good breakfast each morning and that you send your child to school with a *healthy snack*, separate from his/her lunch. We also recommend that you provide some unstructured time for your child to play and unwind after school.

We will have our first **Spirit Day Assembly on Wednesday, September 10th**. We assemble once a month to teach the children about being a member of a school community. We reinforce our Social-Emotional Literacy (SEL) program and teach the children strategies to help them express emotions appropriately and treat each other with respect and kindness. We celebrate children’s accomplishments and sing songs to honor our country and school. You will be hearing the *Goosehill School Song* in the coming months. On Spirit Days, we ask that the children wear school colors- **red, white, and blue**. The GPFA also sells Goosehill apparel.

Each week you will receive a copy of these Weekly Notes to keep you informed about school procedures, events, and to help you support your child’s learning. In addition to notes from the school, there is a section filled with information from the Goosehill Parent-Faculty- Association (GPFA). You will receive a paper copy of these notes each week, but will need to access all handouts and flyers (listed in the **Table of Contents**) from the school district website (www.csh.k12.ny.us). Click on the calendar button on the home page and then on the *Goosehill Weekly Notes* link in the day’s date. I recommend that you register for our school ListServ, so that the Weekly Notes and all flyers and handouts will be delivered directly to your email address. Click the *Email Sign-up* link on the left side of the district home page and scroll down to subscribe to the Goosehill Primary list.

The teachers, staff, and I are looking forward to a wonderful school year! Please don’t hesitate to call if you have any questions or ideas to share. I hope to see you later today at the GPFA Welcome Back Picnic!

Warm regards,
Lynn Herschlein, Principal

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Board of Education

The Cold Spring Harbor Board of Education will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, September 9th at 8:00 at the Francis Roberts Community Center (District Office, 75 Goose Hill Road). All members of the community are invited to attend.

Thank you to the GPFA

Thank you to the GPFA- especially our Co-Presidents, Mrs. Eisenegger and Mrs. Savarese- for all of their hard work this summer. We greatly appreciate the dedication of our parents! Thank you for supporting our New Family Orientation, our Welcome Back Picnic, and preparing for an exciting and productive year ahead. A special thanks to Mrs. Torrey for arranging for our school supplies. Everything is terrific!

Back-to-School Night Back to School Night for kindergarten and first grade will be held on Tuesday, September 16th. (Kindergarten- 6:30-7:15 and First Grade-7:30-8:15)

Dismissal

Please keep your child's dismissal plan as consistent as possible, as it will help him/her feel confident and secure as s/he transitions home from school each day. We encourage the regular use of the school vans, but understand that you may need to pick your child up from school on occasion. In that case, please use **the yellow "Change of Transportation" pad** to let your child's teacher know that s/he will not be taking the bus/van that day. If another adult will be picking up your child at school or from the bus, please also use the yellow form. We must receive your dated note **in the morning** to ensure that there is no confusion for your child at dismissal time. Please note: We cannot accept changes to dismissal plans after the children have arrived in the morning. If there is an emergency, please contact me.

Backpacks, Lunch boxes, and Outerwear

Please label all of your child's belongings!

If Your Child Will Be Absent From School:

Please call the nurse's office to report the absence. **631-367-5950**. (You can leave a voicemail.) Please also send a note explaining the absence upon your child's return to school.

School Contact Information

Main Office- 631-367-5941

Nurse's Office- 631- 367- 5950

School Fax- 631-367-2157

NOTES FROM THE GPFA

Welcome Back! We hope the week went well for everyone!

Don't forget! The Back to School Picnic at Goosehill is tonight, Friday, Sept. 5th from 5-7pm. Parents and siblings of Kindergarten and 1st Graders are all welcome. \$20 per family. Pizza, water and cookies will be served. Don't miss the opportunity to kick off the school year, reconnect with classmates, meet new families and have fun! Get ready to boogie with the DJ and jump around in the bouncy houses.

Reminder: The Welcome Tea for all parents is Wednesday, September 17th at 9:30am. Please RSVP online.

Be on the lookout in your child's backpack for the form to sign up to be a class parent.

Families of the Community United with Schools (FOCUS) need a representative from Goosehill. If you are interested, please contact Kaitlin Carroll or Heather Savarese.

We are looking for a second Goosehill representative for the Central Parent Council (CPC). If you are interested or want to learn more, please contact Kaitlin Carroll or Heather Savarese.

Kaitlin Carroll, Kcarrollx3@gmail.com

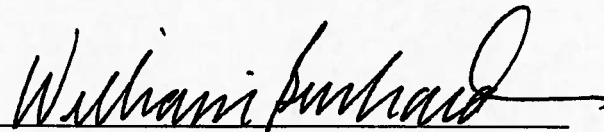
Heather Savarese, heather@vinenyc.com

COLD SPRING HARBOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
75 Goose Hill Road, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

**** PLEASE POST ****

Please be advised that a regular meeting of the Board of Education will take place on September 9, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. at The Francis Roberts Community Center, at which time the Board of Education may consider a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss matters appropriate for Executive Session. If no such motion is adopted, the meeting will recess until 8:00 p.m.

At 8:00 p.m., the Board of Education will reconvene its public meeting to discuss Board Agenda items appropriate for Public Session, pursuant to the Open Meetings Law.

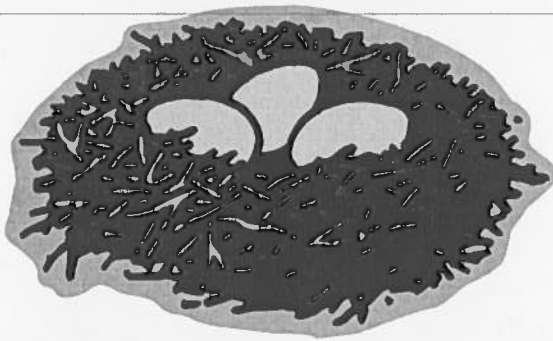


William Bernhard, District Clerk

COLD SPRING HARBOR LIBRARY'S NEST OF HOPE PROGRAM

Sunday, September 14, 2:00 p.m.

For children in grades K-6, siblings welcome



DON'T MISS!

Help create a collaborative, giant nest sculpture with branches and hay as a symbol of hope for nature.

This sculpture will be on display at the Library until the birds take the materials away for their own nests.

Participants will also make a pinecone bird feeder to take home after our nature art installation!



Cold Spring Harbor Library & Environmental Center
95 Harbor Road
Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724
www.cshlibrary.org / 631.692.6820 / CSH Mobile App





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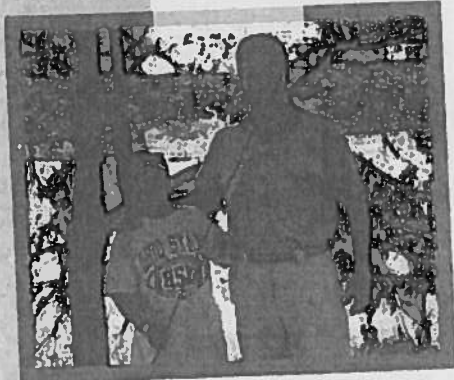
COLD SPRING HARBOR LIONS CLUB SNAPPER/BLUEFISH FISHING DERBY

The derby is open to children up to and including 16 years old. Awards will be presented in each category: Snapper, Catch-&-Release, and Bluefish. The first 20 registrants receive a gift!

Saturday, Sept 13th

Rain Date: Sunday, Sept 14th

Registration from 9 am to 12 noon
At Seafarer's Parking Lot
West Main St. (25A)
Cold Spring Harbor \$15 Entry fee
Weigh-in 3:30 - 4:15 pm



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'Cold Spring Harbor Lions Club' or call John Messina 516.241.0761