



# Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes- September 19, 2014



Dear Parents,

Thank you for attending your child's Back to School Night. The teachers and I greatly appreciate your commitment to our home-school partnership. By working together toward common goals, all of our students can achieve success in school and enjoy learning every day.

On Tuesday evening, the teachers shared information about the curriculum and all your child will learn to do this year. They also shared many of the classroom routines and procedures with you. This information is important, as it helps you know the many important life skills your child will develop in school---in addition to reading, writing, and mathematics--- that are essential to his/her success.

One of our most important goals as a primary school is to teach children to manage tasks with increasing independence. Your child will ultimately be able to unpack his/her own backpack, put notes and homework in the correct collection baskets, and complete learning tasks involving many steps--- *independently!* This will involve planning, strategizing, organizing, setting goals, and paying attention to important details---all while tuning out distractions! The development of these skills, called *executive function skills*, is no small feat!

Executive function skills involve the ability to remember and follow instructions, focus on a task, avoid distractions, control responses, manage tasks, and switch gears when necessary. Our teachers teach these skills through countless lessons and daily interactions with their students. Our Social-Emotional Literacy (SEL) Program also supports the development of these skills.

There are ways parents can support the development of executive function skills at home. Here are some ideas:

- Have your child unpack his/her backpack when s/he gets home from school. Establish a routine for where notices go, where to put homework papers, and emptying the lunchbox.
- After completing homework, have your child pack his/her own folder and backpack for the next day.
- Use checklists to help your child manage daily routines. Model the use of them yourself!
- Involve your child in planning and making decisions about things such as what to pack for lunch or what to wear to school. Look at the school menu together and talk about the choices. If lunch will be packed, plan the "menu" the night before. When planning an outfit for the next day, allow your child to make simple choices from a set of options you are prepared to accept.
- Teach your child to take responsibility for simple household chores, such as setting the table and putting away his/her toys.

Remember that young children are just learning to do tasks that, as adults, we can complete effortlessly. Consistent modeling, encouragement, and support will help them develop the skills they need to learn and grow as confident young people.

Enjoy the last weekend of summer!

Warm regards,

Lynn Herschlein, Principal

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### Rosh Hashanah- School will be closed September 25-26

#### Reminders:

- ✓ Please remember to send your child to school wearing **sneakers** on days when s/he has physical education class. It is important that children wear closed footwear every day so that they can run and play safely on the playground.
- ✓ Please use the **yellow change of transportation form** if it is necessary to change your child's dismissal plan. Notes must be sent to school in the morning with your child.
- ✓ **If your child will be absent**, please call the school nurse's office in the morning: **631-367-5950**. Send a note explaining the absence upon his/her return to school.

**Social-Emotional Learning (SEL)** As part of our SEL program, the teachers will be teaching the children vocabulary words from our Feeling Words Curriculum. Kindergarten children are learning the word *excited* and first graders are learning the word *thrilled*. Teachers will be sharing stories that exemplify the words and reading children's books with characters who express those feelings. A family homework assignment will be distributed this month 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.

### NOTES FROM THE GPFA

We hope everyone enjoyed Back to School night, meeting the teachers and seeing the wonderful environments in which our children spend their days. It was great to see many familiar faces and meet new families at the Welcome Tea this past Wednesday. Thank you to all those who attended.

#### REMINDERS:

- Photo Day is Thursday, 10/2

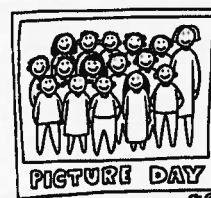
The photo package will be in your child's backpack next week. Please kindly return payments and completed forms by Monday, September 29th.

- CPC meeting will be held on Thursday, 10/2 at 9 a.m. in the District Office.

- Save the Date: **Parents Night Out** is Monday, 11/10. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and a lot of fun. We hope to see you all there.

Please note the following change to your directory: the correct phone number for the Bowles Family is 631-424-0899.

Have a fabulous weekend!



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

**\*\* PLEASE POST \*\***

Please be advised that a special meeting of the Board of Education will take place on September 23, 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 7:30 p.m.

At 7:30 p.m. the Board of Education will reconvene its public meeting and workshop to discuss Board Agenda items appropriate for Public Session, pursuant to the Open Meetings Law.

  
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William Bernhard, District Clerk

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

**Adventure in Art: Landscape with Monet  
Tuesday, September 23 @ 4:30  
For Children in Grades K-6**

Discover the paintings of artist Claude Monet, then create your own 'plein air' landscape. Program led by a professional Museum Educator Tami Wood.

**Fall Storytime Begins!**

**Bouncing Babies**  
Mondays @ 10:30 am  
For children up to 13 months with Adult

**Toddler Time**  
Thursdays or Fridays @ 10:30 am  
For Children 2-3 years old with Adult

**Mother Goose**  
Tuesdays or Wednesdays @ 10:30 am  
For Children 13-24 months with Adult

**Preschool Storytime**  
Tuesdays @ 2:00 pm  
For Children ages 3-4

**TEEN PROGRAM**  
**SECRETS OF A SUPER STUDENT: EFFECTIVE STUDY HABITS**  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 @ 4:00 PM  
LEARN HOW TO REALLY STUDY! TIPS AND TRICKS THAT WILL MAKE YOUR LIFE EASIER

**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***

**FREE: Microsoft Windows 8.1 Hands-On Learning Workshop**

**Thursday, Sept. 25, at 7pm**

Discover how to utilize Windows 8.1 in this hands-on experience, and come away more comfortable with using the latest touch device. Advance registration required.

**Bring your own Windows 8.1 device or let us know at registration time if you'll need a loaner.**

Presented to you by: Laurie Carey, CEO & Founder, We Connect The Dots, Inc.

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

# COLD SPRING HARBOR YOUTH BASKETBALL CLINIC

## REGISTRATION FOR THE 2014 – 2015 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

**FEE:** \$100.00 (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 2014 thru March 2015
- \* 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.

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**COLD SPRING HARBOR YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE**

**REGISTRATION FEE : \$100.00** (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 \_\_\_\_\_



# Register Now for Spring Lacrosse

**Cold Spring Harbor Youth Lacrosse Club**  
is offering the following programs this spring:

**Boys K-1<sup>st</sup> and Girls K-1<sup>st</sup>**

Intramural League: weekly clinics focusing on skill development

**Boys 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> and Girls 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>**

Travel League: teams will practice 2-3 times per week and compete weekly against other town travel programs

**Boys 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>**

Travel League: no practices, just Sunday games

**Registration closes on October 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**Please tell your friends to register today!**

For registration and more information, please visit:  
[www.cshlax.com](http://www.cshlax.com)

For any questions, please contact:  
[cshlacrosse@gmail.com](mailto:cshlacrosse@gmail.com)