



The Friday Notes

Celebrating 225 years!

December 5, 2014

Principal's Corner

This week, our students experienced StoryFaces, a presentation made possible by the work of Ms. McLaughlin, Mrs. Reichbach, Mrs. Corbin, and the Cultural Arts Committee. During this school-wide assembly, students volunteered to have their faces painted which illustrated different stories as told by the presenter, Mr. Christopher Agostino. Workshops for 4th and 6th graders followed later in the day in the art room. All West Siders also had the opportunity to do some holiday shopping in the Community Room on Wednesday and Thursday during the annual Holiday Boutique. Thank you again to Mrs. Reichbach, Mrs. Tepper and our parent volunteers who provided this opportunity for our students! In the computer lab, Ms. Diehl continued to work with learners in each grade as they visited computer programming websites in preparation for Computer Science Education Week which begins next Monday. Our 5th and 6th graders took field trips down the road to the DNA Learning Center on Monday and Wednesday. These trips marked the culmination of their collaborative efforts with local scientists from the lab. Finally, the week ended with the 5th grade Science Fair and a sneak peek of *Seussical* as cast members performed their opening number during morning assembly. We are all so proud of this group of students who have given such a tremendous effort over the past three months to put on what promises to be an incredible performance this weekend.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the PAC. Good luck to all of our cast members!

School Musical - *Seussical*

Attention all parents - please mark your calendars for the West Side School Musical which is this weekend! This year the kids are presenting SEUSSICAL: The Musical and it promises to be the best show yet. All your children's favorite characters from Dr. Seuss are featured in this family-friendly show with great music, laughter and a wonderful message to kids. The kids have worked very hard - please come out and kick off the holiday season while supporting the arts in our schools. **Saturday, December 6th at 7 pm** and **Sunday, December 7th at 2 pm** at the **CSH Jr/Sr High School Performing Arts Center**. Tickets sold at the door.

Hour of Code

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Report Cards - Parent Portal

Report cards will be posted and available for you to view/print from home on **Friday, December 12th by 5 PM**.

If you already have a Parent Portal account in eSchoolData you are already set up. If this is your first experience with the portal and need an account, please follow the instructions below:

Setting up an eSchoolData account:

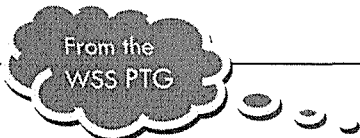
Note: You only need to create one account to access the information for all of your children. In creating an account online, you will need to have the following information handy for one of your children:

-  Parent/Guardian Name (apply using one parent's name only) and Student Name
-  Student ID Number (same as the lunch system ID number)
-  Student Grade Level and School (as of September 2014)

1. Go to the CSH webpage (www.csh.k12.ny.us)
2. Go to the pull down menu "For Parents" and click on "Parent Portal"
3. Scroll all the way down to "How can I apply for access to the portal?" and click the blue link that begins with "You can apply for an account online." Click "Yes" on the pop-up window.
4. The eSchoolData login screen will open. Click on "Online Registration" (bottom of the box).
5. You will be asked to fill out information on three tabs, beginning with the Account Information portion (followed by Personal Information and Student Information).
6. Once all parts have been filled out you will receive an automatically-generated email indicating that your registration information has been submitted. After the data has been reviewed, you will receive an additional email.

Accessing the Report Card:

Log onto your account → Click on the ID number of your child → For grades K-5 - click on the "ERC" tab → For grade 6 - click on "Report Card" tab → Click print for a hard copy.



From the
WSS PTG

Holiday Cookie Bake

Our annual cookie bake is Wednesday, December 10th. We ask parents to donate holiday cookies, bars or other tasty treats to make up delicious platters for the teachers and staff of West Side School. The type of cookie is up to you (preferably not chocolate chip). Not a baker? That is fine...bakery goods are welcome! If you would like to be a part of this wonderful event, please bring 4-6 dozen cookies to the community room on that Wednesday morning between 8-10am. Cookies should be brought in disposable trays. If you would like to stay and help assemble, wrap and deliver, please contact Gina Marino at rgm39hill@aol.com. Please put "cookie bake" in the subject line. Last year we were low on donations, so if you could contribute it is greatly appreciated.

West Side Kids Care

Our Annual Toy Drive to benefit the Helping Hands Rescue Mission is underway. The mission has asked for the following new, unwrapped gifts so that all local needy children who attend the mission's party will receive equivalent gifts. We have been given specific age groups and gift requests to meet the needs of the mission and its clients. Please consider adding HHRM to your giving list this season and send your child with a donation per the class list below by Wednesday, December 17. Children will wrap the gifts during recess on Thursday, December 18th. Parents are welcome to come and help.

Ms. Ryan: girl age 9-12 - nail kit, lotions, board game, jewelry

Ms. Dudek: boy age 0-3 - hat and gloves

Ms. Santoro: girl age 9-12 - craft kit or supplies

Ms. Manning: girl 0-3 - stuffed animal

Dr. Dawkins: girls age 9-12 - scarf/gloves/hat

Mr. Arloff: girl 0-3 - Fisher price type toy

Mr. Farmer: Boy age 0-3 - stuffed animal

Ms. DeRosa: girl 0-3 - hat and gloves

Ms. Dopico: boy age 0-3 - Fisher Price type toy

Ms. Agnello: girl age 6-8 - toy or board game

Ms. Gerver: girl 6-8 - craft kit or supplies

Please continue your generous donations to the West Side Food Pantry. Donations can be left in the wire racks in the inside doors of the airplane wing.

Thank you to Dana and Luke Lynch for coordinating with our HS students to supply and make lunches for HiHi for the month of December. West Side will be sponsoring future HiHi programs for the month January and March. Please look for details to help out in the New Year!

Holiday Boutique

We would like to thank our volunteers: Ingrid Wright, Cat Bauer, Melissa Newman, Michele Coco, Christine Masata, Tara Kaufman, Blake Woodworth, Annmarie Tighe, Deb Aviles, Diane Angelides, Kristyn Mulada and all of the parents and staff who helped our little ones shop. Your help in making this such a smooth and wonderful event was invaluable! Thank you all and if we forgot to mention anyone, please accept our apologies and our heartfelt thanks!

Lolita and Edra

Art to Remember

Items purchased during our Art to Remember fund raiser will be sent home today. Please review your purchases and feel free to contact Lolita Reichbach, gorgesborg@aol.com, with any questions. Thank you for supporting this Art Department fund raiser. Enjoy your purchases!

Yearbook

Yearbooks will be sold online only! No paper order forms!

Order Your WEST SIDE Yearbook Online

Just follow the steps below:

Step 1: Visit <http://www.memorybook.com/parentpay>

Step 2: Enter your pay code 74315 and click next

Step 3: Buy a yearbook for \$30.00 or yearbook with personalized name for \$32.25

Order online through: April 20, 2015

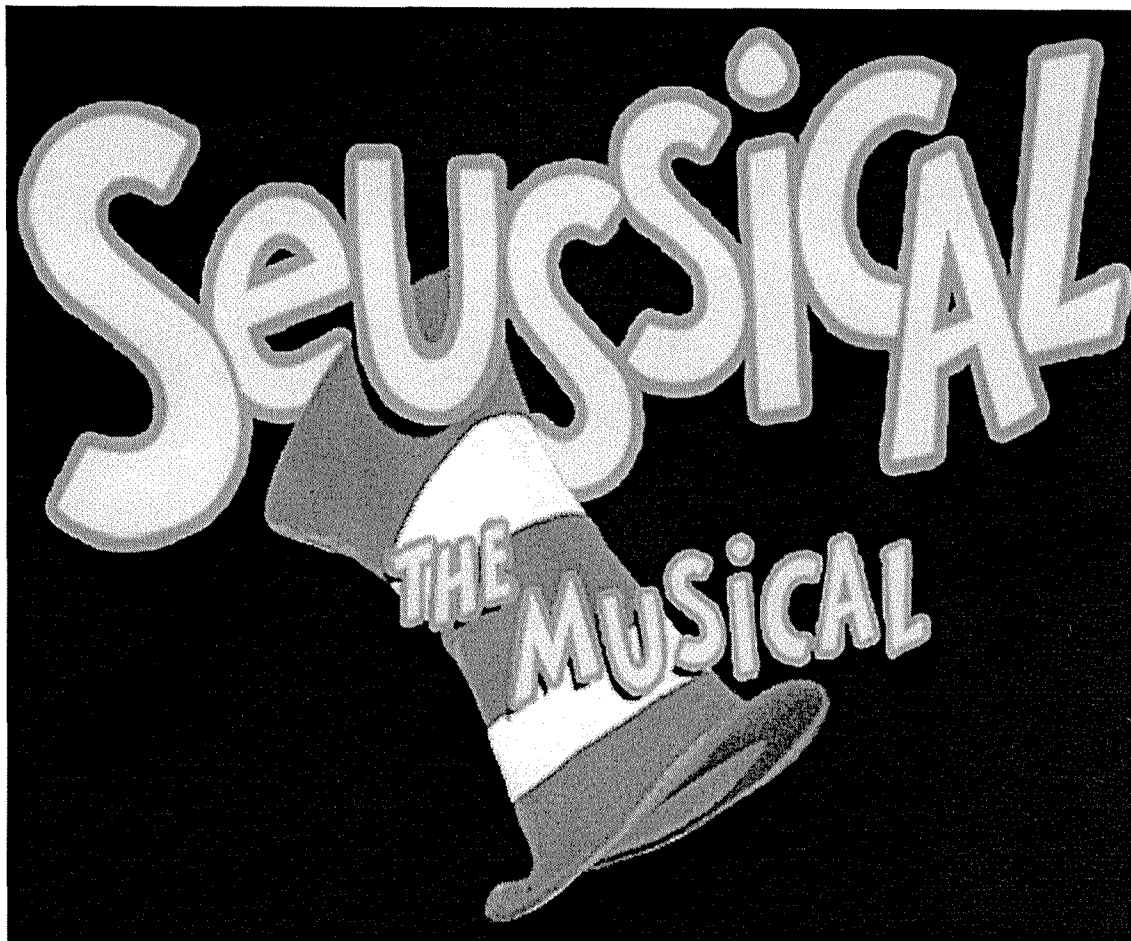
Important WSS Dates

School Musical – Seussical:	Saturday, December 6th at 7:00 PM at the CSHHS PAC
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Computer Science Education Week:	December 8 th – 14 th
4th Grade Field Trip – Lloyd Manor House:	Tuesday, December 9th
Board of Education Meeting:	Tuesday, December 9th at 8:00 PM at District Office
Cookie Bake (Drop off between 8 – 10 AM):	Wednesday, December 10th in the Community Room
5th & 6th Grade Field Trip – NY Hall of Science:	Thursday, December 11th
Colonial Day – 4th Grade:	Friday, December 12th
Spelling Bee:	Tuesday, December 16th at 1:30 PM in the Gym
West Side Wednesday:	December 17th – Wear your West Side spirit wear!
SIT:	Thursday, December 18 th at 3:30 PM in the Conf. Room
Winter Recess:	December 22 nd – January 2 nd
Welcome Back:	Monday, January 5 th

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WEST SIDE SCHOOL PRESENTS:



ELIANA K-LICHTMAN, DIRECTOR
CHRIS MCKEE, MUSICAL DIRECTOR

SATURDAY DECEMBER 6TH: 7 PM
SUNDAY DECEMBER 7TH: 2 PM

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
COLD SPRING HARBOR JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL

TICKETS \$5 AT THE DOOR
(CHILDREN UNER 8 YEARS OF AGE ARE FREE!)

Computer Science Education Week

DECEMBER 8-14, 2014

November 20, 2014

Dear Parents,

We live in a world surrounded by technology. We know that whatever field our students choose to go into as adults, their ability to succeed will increasingly hinge on understanding how technology works. But only a tiny fraction of us are learning computer science, and fewer students are studying it than a decade ago.

That's why our entire school is joining in on the largest learning event in history: the Hour of Code, during Computer Science Education Week (Dec. 8-14). Last year, 15 million students enjoyed computer science in one week. This year, we're joining students worldwide to reach 100 million students!

Our Hour of Code is a statement that Cold Spring Harbor is ready to teach these foundational 21st century skills. We want to ensure that our students are on the forefront of creating technology of the future--not just consuming it.

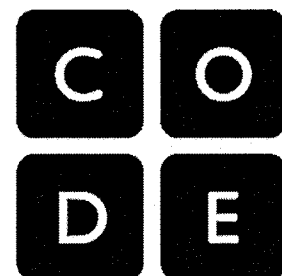
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During the week of December 8 – 14, the computer lab will be open to students from 8:00am – 8:40am on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Students are also welcome to join me during their recess periods on Tuesday and Thursday.

Our goal is to get kids to think, create, and have a blast -- all while learning computer programming. We want to show that anyone can learn the basics of computer programming in order to be a maker, a creator, or an innovator. Students (and adults) across the country are getting involved and we'd like you to join as well. See <http://hourofcode.com/us> for details, and help spread the word.

Sincerely,

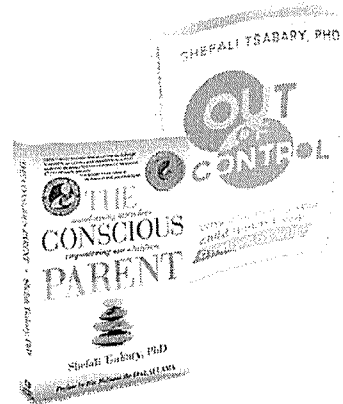
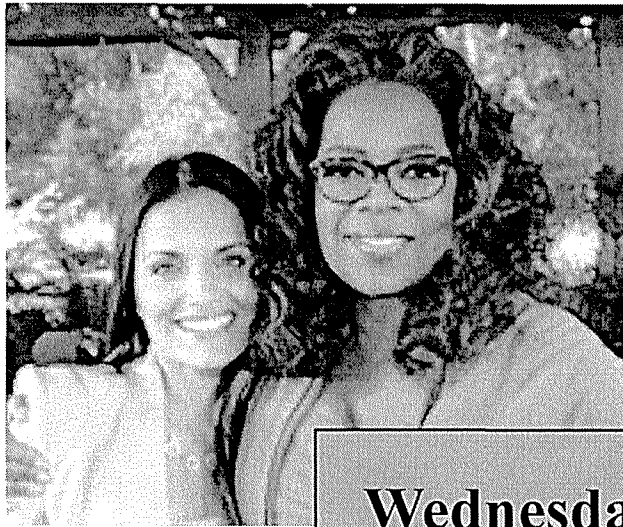
Margaret Diehl
Elementary Technology Teacher



Give Yourself a Gift This Holiday Season

Cold Spring Harbor Central School District
proudly presents:

Dr. Shefali Tsabary
Becoming a Conscious Parent



Wednesday, December 10, 2014

7:00pm

*Cold Spring Harbor Jr/ Sr High School
Performing Arts Center*

Pre-Registration: \$10

Night of Event: \$15

Please register online at:

www.csh.k12.ny.us

Pre-registration is strongly recommended as space is limited

Dr. Shefali Tsabary is a clinical psychologist who received her training at Columbia University. She integrates Eastern mindfulness with Western psychology, establishing her as one of a kind in the parenting field. Dr. Tsabary has made multiple appearances on Oprah's *Lifeclass* series. She is the author of two parenting books – *The Conscious Parent*, and *Out of Control*.



Tree Lighting Ceremony

Saturday, December 6th

5:30pm

Santa Claus will light the Hatchery's Christmas Tree.
The Hatchery & Aquarium will remain open until 7pm.

Cookies • Hot Chocolate • Tea



1660 Route 25A, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724 • (516) 692-6768 • www.cshfha.org

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



SIGNATURE EVENTS

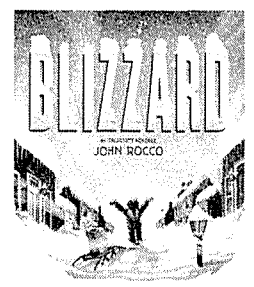
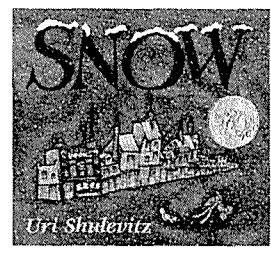
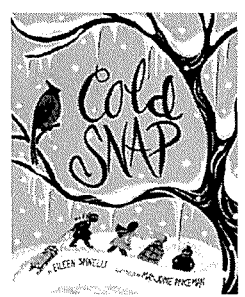
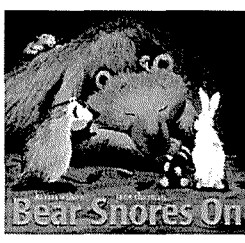
Don't Miss– THIS SUNDAY!

Ballet Long Island- Nutcracker Act II
Sunday December 7, 2014 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Enjoy a live performance of this seasonal favorite!



Cozy Up to a Good Book!

Come in this week for one of our many wintry picture books.



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

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



One Wok, Three Meals
Thursday, December 11 at 7pm

Learn how to use your wok and the same natural ingredients to prepare three international dishes.

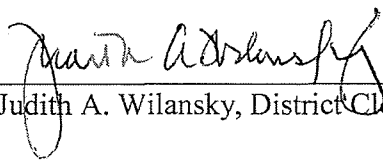
Register by Tuesday, December 9 with \$5 cash or check payable to the Cold Spring Harbor Library.

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

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 December 8, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. at The Francis Roberts Community Center. The Board of Education may consider a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters appropriate for Executive Session.



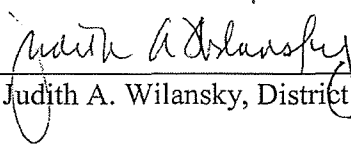
Judith A. Wilansky, District Clerk, Pro Tem

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Please be advised that a regular meeting of the Board of Education will take place on December 9, 2014, at 5:00 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 and workshop to discuss Board Agenda items appropriate for Public Session, pursuant to the Open Meetings Law.



Judith A. Wilansky, District Clerk, Pro Tem