

#### **Goosehill Primary School**



Weekly Notes-May 6, 2016

Dear Parents,

I hope you enjoyed the Spring Break with your children. They returned to school happy, refreshed, and ready to learn! I thought I'd share a little more about Diversity Day (held the day before Spring Break) in this week's notes. I hope this will help you engage your child in a discussion of all s/he learned from our presenters.

Our goal of a schoolwide focus on diversity was designed to support our students' developing attitudes and behaviors related to having and showing respect for all people. We share the goal expressed in the 2009 bestselling parenting book, <u>NurtureShock</u> (Bronson & Merryman): "We want our children to be unintimidated by differences and have the social skills to integrate in a diverse world."

**Diversity Day** was designed by our School Improvement Team. It was a wonderful experience for our students! Here is an overview of the workshops your child experienced that day:

- 1) Mrs. Strzelichowski (Alexandra's mom) presented a workshop on Poland. The children learned where Poland is in the world and that many Polish people (and children) live in the USA. They enjoyed Polish folk dolls and learned about Polish culture and traditions. They played games and learned to count to ten, and say "Hello", "How are you?" and "Thank you" in Polish. They also sang a song naming body parts in the language. Thank you Mrs. Strzelichowski, for a fun, engaging, and informative workshop!
- 2) Dr. Luisa and Master Bart from Atomic Tae Kwon Do in Huntington taught the children about the history of Tae Kwon Do. They emphasized focus, concentration, and respecting one's body and mind. The children also learned about what the Chinese call "chi", or inner strength, which helps a person accomplish his/her goals. Thank you Dr. Luisa and Master Bart for donating your time to engage our children in such fun and meaningful activities.
- 3) Cold Spring Harbor High School Students Giavanna Ferrandino, Marche DuMaurier, Dev Bhatia, Denver Dukes, Katie Vasquez, and Robert Monti talked with the children about being proud of your individuality and the importance of pursuing your passions, even if they are different from those of your peers. The children were captivated by the students' energy, enthusiasm, and message of respect for the diversity in our world. Thank you Ms. Velez, CSHHS Social Worker, for arranging for the students to be a part of Diversity Day. Thank you, especially, to Gia, Marche, Dev, Denver, Katie, and Robert. You really made an impact on our students!
- 4) Linda Jones visited Goosehill with her guide dog, Charlie. Linda taught the children about visual impairment and how she uses her other senses to compensate. She explained how guide dogs are trained, and how Buddy helps her walk around her neighborhood and even cross the street! Thank you, Linda, for sharing your experiences with the children and showing them a wonderful example of how a person can overcome challenges with grace and dignity. \*Thank you to Mrs. Prizzi for arranging Linda's visit and the GPFA for making a donation to the Guide Dog Foundation on Linda's behalf.
- 5) Miss Malu (GH Teacher aide) and her daughter Melissa, taught the children some Spanish and shared Latin Music with them. The children had a lot of fun learning Latin dance moves! Thank you, Miss Malu and Melissa, for teaching the children about Latin culture... and for a great dance session!
- 6) In the music workshop, the children sang songs celebrating diversity. In the art workshop, the children drew their hands using a multitude of colors and designs to create a school bulletin board celebrating differences. In the Physical Education workshop, the children played a game that had them "travelling" to each of the seven continents. What fun the children had! Thank you to Mrs. Kotzky, Mrs. Johnson, and Mr. Malone for creating such engaging lessons to support our theme!

Our school and community support and enrich our students' education in so many ways. Thank you to our SIT members and to all of our workshop presenters for providing such a terrific experience for our students.

On behalf of the entire staff of Goosehill Primary School, I would also like to extend our gratitude to the GPFA, all of our parents, and especially Mrs. Tepper, Mrs. Rampi, and the luncheon committee, for a wonderfully delicious (and fun!) **Staff Appreciation Luncheon** yesterday. Your continued support and ongoing expressions of appreciation mean so much to us.

Happy Mother's Day!

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Don't forget about the Plant Sale tomorrow at Goosehill Primary School!

Warm regards, Mrs. Herschlein

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Welcome first graders! Sedona (1-K) and Sienna (1-D) Springer Lincoln Cha (1-V)

Parent Book Club---NOTE DATE CORRECTION! How to Raise an Adult: Break Free of the Overparenting Trap and Prepare Your Kid for Success. Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00. Please join us!

First Grade Research In the library and in their classrooms, first graders are using PebbleGo, an award winning PreK-grade 3 database for reading and research. Here is the login information so that your child can access the database from home: <a href="www.pebblego.com">www.pebblego.com</a> User name: GHPS password: school

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 26<sup>th</sup> Spirit Day- Wear School Colors or GH apparel!

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Field Day

May 30<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day-No School June 17<sup>th</sup> First Grade Moving Up Day

#### **GPFA UPDATES**

<u>Plant Sale-</u> Be sure to stop by the Goosehill Plant Sale this <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 7th</u> from 9am-4pm (or until supplies last). Pick up a Mother's Day gift or some plants for yourself! There will also be a bake sale, a visit from the CSH Fire Department as well as a raffle basket from Huntington Stand Up Paddle. Raffle tickets are \$5. Bring the kids, stop by for some fun and help support our school! Rain or shine.

<u>Box Tops-</u> End of the Year Box Top Competition!! We are holding a two week class box top competition from May 16- May 27th. End the year with some box top pride!! Make sure to mark your teacher's name on the envelopes. Winners to be announced Monday, May 30th.

<u>Teacher Appreciation</u>- This week Goosehill celebrated our wonderful faculty with a beautiful "Kentucky Derby" themed luncheon organized by Edra Tepper and Michelle Rampi. Thanks to Edra and Michelle for all of their hard work! Also many thanks to those who volunteered their time and brought in goodies for our deserving staff: Lisa Canty, Lisa Smith, Cat Bauer, Jordan Smith, Jenny Tsoumpas, Christine Desimone, Michelle McKean. Kim Testa, Jill Seiman-Mayer, Kristine Jacobson, Barbara Callaghan, Tara Dircks, Sandra Reilly, Julie Starrett, Laurie Corallo, Jennifer Petrakis & Erin Talamas. And most of all thank you to the entire Goosehill staff for their endless patience, kindness and expertise!

<u>Heckscher Family Hour-</u> Sunday, May 22nd, 1pm. Families with children 5 - 10 years old can experience an interactive tour and art-making activities in the Heckscher Museum of Art's latest exhibition, "Master of Illusion: The Magical Art of Gary Erbe." Call <u>631-351-3250</u> to register.

### 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 May 10, 2016, 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

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

Tinker Tuesdays: Easy Engineering

Monday, /may 10 @ 4:30 pm

For Children in grades 3-6

Explore simple and fun activities that
will encourage you to think and act like
and engineer!

#### Paint a Flowerpot

Friday, May 13 @ 2 am
For children of all ages
Paint and decorate a flower pot to
grow beautiful springtime flowers!

#### Decorate an Umbrella

Wednesday, May 11 @ 4:30 pm

For children in grades K-6

Make a splash this spring

Decorate a real umbrella with water proof

markers to use!

#### **Teen Study Breaks**

Tues, May 10 & Thurs,

May 12 @ 2:30 pm

Take a break and enjoy a snack to clear

your mind and energize!

#### Teen and InBeTWEEN

#### **InBeTWEEN Advisory Board**

Monday, May 9 @ 4:30 pm

#### **Practice ACT**

Saturday, May 14 @ 10 am - 2 pm

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 the Information Services Department

#### Inspiring True Storles From Across the Globe

Thursday, May 19 at 7p

Long Island swiper Lois W. Stern will give an auditoristal prescritations sare to lift year spirits. Stern is the editor of the Theszlásspire series, collections of true stories of heaves arming humanity, courage, and minutes from authors as we'll as seasoned.



writers are encouraged to attend, as his Stern will share her industry expertise and discuss how to submit stories for inclusion in the next Tales/Inspire collection.

This program is free and open to all.

Advance registration is appreciated.

For more information or to register: visit the Information Services Desk, call 631-692-6820, or check www.cshibrary.org.

## Inspiring True Stories From Across the Globe Thursday, May 19 at 7pm

Through storytelling and video, Long Island author Lois W. Stern will share some amazing yet true stories of miracles, courage, and humanity, as well as some heartwarming stories to leave you simply feeling good. Stern will also talk about her early education in CSH School District, including how a single experience while being educated in CSH's three room school house helped launch her career as a writer/presenter.

Appropriate for older children through adults.

For more information about any Adult Program, contact Information Services

at the Cold Spring Harbor Library at 631-692-6820.

# WaterFront Ecenter. Junior Summer!

Open House: April 9th & May 7th from 1pm to 3pm

The WaterFront Center offers full day and half day Junior Summer Programs for children in grades 1st through 12th. Sail, race, sniggle, kayak, and have fun at The WFC this summer!



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516-922-7245 \* www.thewaterfrontcenter.org



## Huntington Historical Society Presents

## Passport to the Past

summer camp program



Tending to the kitchen herb garden on the historic Kissam property.

#### 2016 Registration is Open!

Time Travel takes on a whole new meaning! A unique summer camp designed to bring history to life!

Offering 2 two-week, Monday through Friday, half-day summer camp sessions, 9 am to 12 noon for children ages 7 to 12.

Campers can wear colonial costumes, play old fashioned games, tour historical sites, handle various artifacts, and enjoy hands-on colonial-era activities including:

Weaving, Candle Dipping
Felting Wool, Maypole Celebration











#### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

\$300 for Society members / \$400 for non-members.
Family Membership fee to join Huntington Historical Society \$60 (for a \$100 savings per child)

Session IJuly 11 to July 22	Session IIJuly 25 to August !

#### PASSPORT TO THE PAST -2016 REGISTRATION FORM

Refund policy: Tuition is refundable minus \$30 registration fee 30 days prior to session start date.

Parent's Name:	Camper's Name:		Age:	
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:	
Telephone:	Email:			
Circle Session: Session I / Amex/ Mastercard/ Visa/ Disc				
	Security Code: _			
Make checks payable to: Hun	tington Historical Society			
Mail to: 2 High Street Hunting	gton, NY 11743	Registration F	Fee:	
	(Optional \$6	60.00) Society Member	rship:	
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For more information please call 631 427-7045 ext 404

The Huntington Historical Society is a private non-profit organization.

## The **Heckscher Museum** of Art

2 Prime Avenue, Huntington, NY 11743 | 631.351.3250 | Heckscher.org

## HECKSCHER FAMILY HOUR Guided Tour and Activity

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Children ages 5 - 10 years

Sunday, March 13, 2016
You Go Girl! Celebrating Women Artists

Sunday, May 22, 2016
Master of Illusion
The Magical Art of Gary Erbe

Children and their families are invited to join museum educator Tami Wood for family-friendly tours of the Museum's exhibitions. Experience the exhibition through close looking, lively conversation, and hands-on gallery projects.

Registration is recommended. Space is limited.

Members Free, Non-Members Museum Admission (children free) + \$5 activity fee per child





The **Heckscher Museum** of Art

**UPCOMING AT THE HECKSCHER MUSEUM La Nuit des Musées:** Free Community Event
Saturday, May 14, 2016 | 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm

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