



Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes-September 4, 2015



Dear Parents,

The teachers, staff, and I were happy to see how confidently the children entered their classrooms this week. Thank you for everything you did to prepare them for the transition back to school! Within minutes of their arrival each morning, they were busy unpacking their backpacks, talking with friends, and getting ready to start the day.

You may have noticed that your child was a little more tired than usual this week. It may take a week or more for him/her to adjust to the structure and pace of school. And of course, the heat didn't help at all!

As always, we recommend that your child have some time to unwind and just *play* when s/he gets home from school. An *early bedtime* will also help him/her feel refreshed and ready for school the next morning. Thank you for making sure your child has a *good breakfast* and for packing a *healthy snack* (separate from lunch) each day. Play, adequate rest, and nutritious snacks are just what children need to be able to develop academically and socially.

Our Back-to-School Night for our kindergarten and first grade parents is next Thursday evening. The teachers are happy to have the opportunity to meet with you early in the year to share their goals for their students and to help you and your child get off to a great start. This is the first of many opportunities you will have to learn more about your child's school experience.

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 on the page**) 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.

Another important way to stay informed is to attend the Monthly GPFA meetings. Our first meeting is a Welcome Tea on Wednesday, September 9th at 9:30 a.m. I look forward to seeing you there.

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.

Enjoy the last weekend of summer!

Warm regards,

Lynn Herschlein



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Dates to Remember

September 7th –Labor Day (No school)

September 9th – GPFA Welcome Tea 9:30 a.m.

September 10th –Back to School Night (**Kindergarten: 6:00-6:45, Grade 1: 7:15-8:00**)

September 14-15- Rosh Hashanah (No school)

September 18th – GPFA Welcome Back Family Picnic 4:30-6:30

September 23rd – Yom Kippur (No school)

Board of Education

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

Back-to-School Night: Thursday, September 10th. *Please bring your calendar, as you will have an opportunity to sign up for your November Parent-Teacher Conference.*

6:00-6:45 Kindergarten

7:15-8:00 First Grade.

Please park and enter in the rear of the building.

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 understand that, on occasion, changes may be necessary and ask that you adhere to the following guidelines:
- ✓ 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. Include the name and phone number of the adult who will pick your child up from school that day.
- ✓ Please also use the yellow form if someone other than you will be meeting your child at the bus stop. Include the person's name and phone number.
- ✓ ***We cannot accept changes to dismissal plans after the children have arrived in the morning. If there is an emergency, please contact Mrs. Herschlein.***



Safety

The beginning of a school year provides a timely opportunity to speak with your child/ children regarding the importance of not speaking to or accepting anything from a stranger. Any unusual incidents of this type should always be reported to the police. When everyone in the community is vigilant regarding student safety, our children benefit.

Notes from the GPFA Please join the GPFA next week on Wednesday September 9th at 9:30am in the Community Room at Goosehill for the Welcome Back Tea. This is a great time to meet other parents and sign up for committees. An invitation was sent out via email- **please be sure to RSVP!**

Thanks to all who volunteered to be class parents. Class parents will be selected via lottery and those selected will be notified by telephone. A mandatory meeting for all selected class parents will be held on Wednesday, September 9th at 10:30am (following the Welcome Tea).

The GPFA Back to School Picnic will take place on Friday, September 18th from 4:30-6:30pm at Goosehill. Bring the whole family and enjoy pizza, a DJ, bounce houses and more! Cost is \$20 per family, siblings welcome.

Save the Date for our annual **Parent's Night Out** fundraiser -- Monday, November 9th, 7-9pm at Honu Cocktails & Kitchen. Enjoy dinner and raffles! Money raised will help the GPFA plan events and activities for our students throughout the school year. Look out for an invitation and further details.

This year Goosehill will again be participating in the Box Tops for Education program. Box Tops can be found on hundreds of products...simply clip and send them in with your child. The money raised will help support our school. Our goal is for each family to send in 50 box tops this school year!

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 8, 2015, at 7:00 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William Bernhard", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

William Bernhard, District Clerk

Cold Spring Harbor Library Announces...

Free interactive on-line Homework Help through Brainfuse!

All patrons have access to this resource. Visit the Library Home page at www.cshlibrary.org and click on homework help. Log in to Brainfuse with your library card barcode located on the back of the card.

The following services are offered for children and teens through Brainfuse:

- Homework Help: Interact with LIVE tutors in math, science, reading/writing, social studies, etc.
- Skills-Building: Brush up or catch up on a subject or skill with a LIVE tutor.
- 24-Hour Writing Lab: Submit essays and other forms of writing for constructive feedback within one business day.
- 24/7 Homework Question Center: Submit homework questions to be answered within one business day.
- Foreign Language Center/Spanish Speaking Support: Live help for your Spanish Homework.
- Live academic assistance is available from Monday -Sunday 2:00 - 11:00 pm EST.

Ask a librarian about these FREE services or visit our website at www.cshlibrary.org

Cold Spring Harbor Library
95 Harbor Road
Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

The Heckscher Museum of Art

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



HECKSCHER FAMILY HOUR Guided Tour and Activity

Sunday, September 20, 2015

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Children ages 5 - 10 years

Children and their families are invited to join museum educator Tami Wood for a family-friendly tour of the Museum's *Graphic Appeal: Modern Prints from the Permanent Collection* exhibition. Experience the exhibition through close looking, lively conversation, and hands-on gallery projects.

Registration is recommended. Space is limited.

Museum Admission (children free)
+ \$5 activity fee per child



UPCOMING AT THE HECKSCHER MUSEUM

DRAW OUT! Free Community Event

Sunday, September 27, 2015 | 12:00 noon - 4:00 pm

(Rain date: October 4)

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Join us at the
11th Annual

**COLD SPRING HARBOR LIONS CLUB
SNAPPER/BLUEFISH KIDS FISHING DERBY
Saturday, Sept 12th**

Rain Date: Sunday, Sept 13th

Registration 9 am - 12 noon

At Seafarer's Parking Lot

West Main St. (25A), Cold Spring Harbor

\$15 Entry fee

Weigh-In starting at 3pm

Kayak Raffle

Pizza - Hot dogs - Soda

**The derby is open to children up to and
including 16 years old.**

**Awards will be presented in age categories for:
Snapper, Catch-&-Release, and Bluefish.**

**For more information, email us at cshlions@gmail.com
'Cold Spring Harbor Lions Club' or call John Messina 516.241.0761**