



Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes-September 25, 2015



Dear Parents,

Thank you to the GPFA for a wonderful Welcome Back to School picnic on Friday! All of our families enjoyed spending time together on a beautiful afternoon.

Throughout the year you will hear, from your child's teacher and me, about the benefits of reading aloud to children. One benefit of reading aloud to children is that many children's books help to open conversation with children about difficult topics, from moving to divorce, the birth of a sibling to the death of a loved one. Here is a list of book recommendations from grandparents.com that can help foster communication when families are facing life's challenges together. (Yes, grandparents really do know best!)

Enemy Pie by Derek Munson (Ages 4 to 7). With bright, vivid illustrations and a funny and highly original text, *Enemy Pie* is a definite crowd pleaser. Thanks to his dad, one little boy learns an effective recipe for turning your worst enemy into your best friend, Enemy Pie. This is a hilarious story with a subtle message about turning negatives into positives and letting kids know that "enemies" are often "friends" we just don't know yet.

Two Homes by Claire Masurel (Ages 2 to 5). This is one of the most relatable books on divorce for younger children. Rather than dealing with the messiness of divorce, it focuses exclusively on the positives from a child's point of view. Alex introduces himself and his parents and explains that he has two homes. Very exciting. He discusses all the cool stuff he can do at his daddy's house in the country and his mommy's apartment in the city. There is no indication of unhappiness in either locale, only excitement derived from having "two favorite chairs, two sets of friends, two of everything." This is a child-centered book stressing the fact that Alex is loved, no matter which home he is in.

Now One Foot, Now The Other by Tomie dePaola (Ages 4-7). The story is about all the little things Bobby's grandfather, Bob, helped his grandson do when he was a small boy, and how Bobby does all the very same things for his grandfather after Bob has a stroke. Everyone in the family thinks Bob is unable to understand what is happening around him, but Bobby insists that his grandfather is responding to him. With patience and determination, he helps Bob regain motor control, leading him through all the same exercises that Bob used to help him gain coordination as a baby. Though in real life not all such stories have the positive ending found here, dePaola creates a beautiful intergenerational tale that will help children relate to aging loved ones.

Boomer's Big Day by Constance W. McGeorge (Ages 2 and up). Moving can be a traumatic experience for a child. The genius behind Boomer's Big Day is that it is written from the perspective of a dog, who, much like a small child, finds it hard to process change. Boomer realizes that "this was not going to be an ordinary day." Confused by the absence of his favorite toy ball and the unwelcome arrival of strangers, moving trucks, and boxes, Boomer emerges from an endless car ride to find himself in a new house with nothing to do and no one to play with. Things start looking up once he has a look around, and at the end of the day he finds that his dinner bowl is in the kitchen and his bed and old green tennis ball have been unpacked. "Boomer wagged his tail," McGeorge writes, "happy to be home."

The Invisible String by Patricia Karst (Ages 3 and up). The Invisible String by Patrice Karst is a heartwarming story that reassures children that even though they can't always be with a loved one, they're always in each other's hearts. Whenever a child thinks about a family member, THE INVISIBLE STRING gives a tug. This book is an excellent way to begin the conversation about death. The gentle story illustrates that we are still connected by love even after someone passes.

Babies Don't Eat Pizza by Dianne Danzig (Ages 3 to 6). This is a book that really prepares children for the joys and annoyances of being an older sibling. The factual yet humorous text answers all the questions new big siblings have about pregnancy, birth, coming home, and developmental milestones. Danzig beautifully blends the excitement of a new baby with the inevitable downside, with an overriding message of unconditional love and understanding.

Warm regards,

Lynn Herschlein

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Dates to Remember

September 28th - Photo Payments/forms due!

October 1st - Goosehill Photo Day

October 2nd - SEPTA monthly meeting 9:30am

October 7th - GPFA meeting 9:30am

- 10/7 Lunch Recess Orientation 10:30am

GPFA Meeting on Wednesday, October 7th 9:30-10:30

Mrs. Herschlein will present a workshop on reading and writing. She will share grade level expectations for children in kindergarten and first grade and ways parents can support their children's developing skills at home. The meeting will be followed by the Lunch and Recess Volunteer Training, which is required for parents who wish to serve as volunteers during their children's lunch and recess period during the year.

Notes from the GPFA

School Photo Day will take place on Thursday, October 1, 2015. Forms were sent home in your child's backpack. Please kindly return the package slip and payment by **Monday, September 28th**. If you do not purchase a package your child will still have his/her photo taken for the yearbook portrait and school ID.

Still looking to get involved at Goosehill? We are looking for a volunteer to serve as chairperson for the Plant Sale Committee. If interested, please contact Lisa Smith at lisakoch_99@yahoo.com or Lisa Lesser at lalphd@yahoo.com.

Please note the following corrections to the school directory:

The phone number for Siena DiBlasio is now 631-683-4217.

The email address for Matthew Rodriguez laura@daddario.com

Fish Hatchery



Festival

September 26, 2015

Rain date: October 3

10am - 4:30pm

Admission: \$6 Adults

\$4 Children/Seniors

Members Free



Kid's Fishing

Fishing for ages 12 & under.

Coaches welcome! Keep your catch.

Raceway stocked with hungry trout!

Petting Zoo

Castle Bouncer

Pumpkin Patch

Games • Environmental Exhibitors

Food • Live Animal Encounters • Music

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JOIN US!

Come walk/run with us!

We are honored that this year's Whit Whit Walk will be celebrating Colin Bowles, a 9-year-old Leukemia survivor and friend.

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month so help us in the fight to raise funds and awareness!

Invite your friends for a fun morning!

- The Caumsett loop is three miles.
- Snacks and beverages at the finish line.
- Great raffle prizes!
- Participants who pre-register will receive a Whit Whit Walk t-shirt.
- Credit card use will be available.

Parking is \$8 per car for those who do not have the Empire Passport.
No pets allowed.

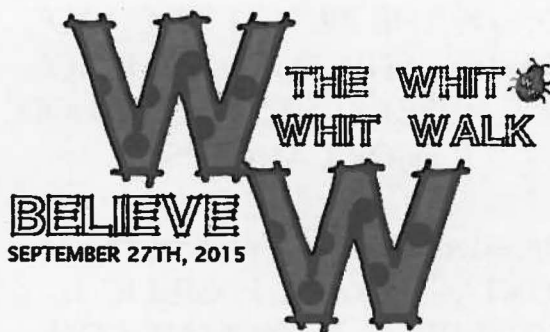
Sign up at:
WHITWHITWALK.ORG

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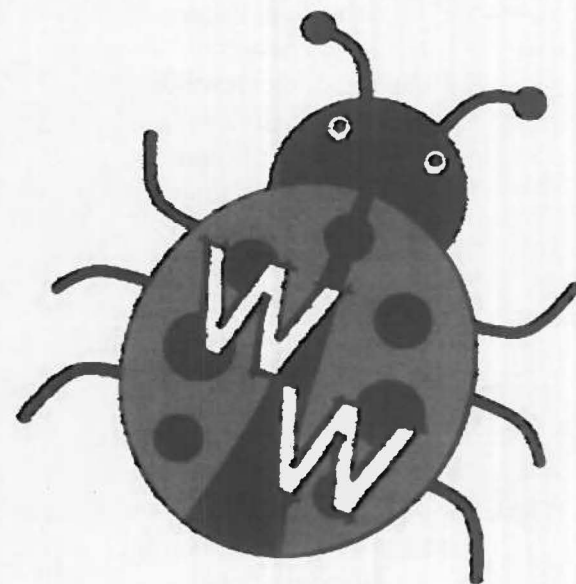
The 1st Annual Whit Whit Walk was planned in just a few weeks and it was a success. We wanted to celebrate Whitney's life as well as raise funds and awareness for Childhood Cancer. Over 250 friends and family walked and raised more than \$40,000!

At The 2nd Annual Whit Whit Walk we raised over \$50,000. Thank you to our friends, family, community and sponsors! It was another wonderful event!

Since Whitney's diagnosis, we have raised over \$325,000 for Childhood Cancer!



The 2015 3rd Annual **WHIT WHIT WALK** *Celebrating Colin*



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

CAUMSETT STATE PARK 8:30 AM

WHITWHITWALK.ORG

THANK YOU SPONSORS!

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Oyster Bay Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine
Michael Ferrucci Repair Inc.
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Angelic Delights
Olga Klimov Cosmetology Inc.
Mostransky Financial and Insurance Solutions
Tonna Family
Blu Reprographics
Fort Hill Estates
Lloyd Harbor Life
Tane Video
ChipCo
Apple & Eve
Red Restaurant

DONATIONS

Checks should be made payable to
MSKCC. Write memo as: "Whit Whit
Fund".

Tax ID is 13-1924236.

Checks can be brought to walk or
mailed to:

Carol Blumenfeld
Development Office/MSKCC
633 Third Avenue, 28th Floor
New York, NY 10017



100% OF THE PROCEEDS GO TO
THE WHIT WHIT FUND AT MSKCC
WHICH RESEARCHES CHILDHOOD
TUMOR CANCERS

Interested in sponsoring next year?
CONTACT TRACY POSILICO:
WHITWHITWALK@GMAIL.COM

ABOUT WWW

The Whit Whit Walk started in 2013
in honor of Whitney Marie Posillico
who became an angel at the age of 1.
We initially wanted to find a way to
celebrate her birthday. September is
Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
and coincidentally, Whitney's birthday
month. So every September we walk,
raise funds and BELIEVE!

We are honored that this year's event
is celebrating Colin Bowles. Colin is
a 9-year-old Leukemia survivor and
friend. Colin is one of three boys and
loves to play basketball with his
brothers. He has inspired many with
his infectious giggle and sweet smile.

We look forward to another
successful and meaningful year.
More importantly, one step closer to
a cure!

BELIEVE!

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SEAFAIRE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2015

RAINDATE: SUN, OCT 4

Step back in time and celebrate Long Island's maritime heritage and historical arts and crafts at The Whaling Museum!

VISIT

Our redesigned gallery *If I Were a Whaler* and raise the sails, swab the deck, and listen to sea chanteys

EXPLORE

Historical craft-making and see demonstrations about the crafts of yore

CREATE

The whole family can try candlemaking, woodworking, and scrimshaw carving to take home!

MEET

Local artists and artisans and shop the handmade wares of Long Island's craftspeople



CALL FOR ARTISANS!

Bakers, Carvers, Knitters, Painters, Woodworkers, Candlemakers, Metalsmiths, Potters, Weavers, Quilters -- We invite local artisans to bring the skills of yesterday to life for the community. This event is an opportunity to give demonstrations as well as a setting to sell.

Spots are limited; apply on our website:

cshwhalingmuseum.org/seafaire

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631-367-3418

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SEAFaire

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 | 12-3 PM
RAINDATE: SUN, OCT 4

Step back in time and celebrate Long Island's maritime heritage!
Swab the deck & raise the sail in our new gallery. *If I Were a Whaler*
~ Historical Demos & Craftmaking for the Whole Family ~
~ Hear Sea Shanties ~
~ Try Candlemaking & Scrimshaw Carving ~
~ Meet local artisans & shop their crafts ~

Admission: Free With Museum Admission (\$6 Adults, \$5 Seniors & Kids)
Members Free Admission
Several activities have craft costs; All other activities are included in admission.

The Whaling Museum & Education Center

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Save the Date!

SeaFaire Sept 27

Family Crew Hour Oct 3

Columbus Day Cosplay Oct 12

Wail-ing Museum & Festival Oct 25

Day of the Dead Nov 1

Lots More Online!

cshwhalingmuseum.org



COLD SPRING HARBOR **YOUTH BASKETBALL CLINIC**

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2015 – 2016 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. 16, 2015

PLAYERS: All Boys and Girls in 1st and 2nd 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.

COLD SPRING HARBOR YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

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REGISTRATION FEE : \$100.00 (1st and 2nd 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 YOUR 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 _____