



Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes-November 6, 2015



Dear Parents,

Next week is parent-teacher conference week. Kindergarten teachers will conduct conferences on Monday and Thursday (11/9 and 11/12) and first grade teachers on Tuesday and Friday (11/10 and 11/13). These are regular school days with no changes in lunch schedules, transportation, or dismissal. On the conference days, your child's teacher will leave detailed lesson plans for the substitute teacher to ensure that your child has a productive day in her absence.

Parent-Teacher conferences are opportunities to strengthen the home-school connection. When teachers and parents work together, children benefit in countless ways. Please consider the following ideas to help you make the most of the conference with your child's teacher:

- Think about **what you would like the teacher to know about your child.** What are his/her interests? What does s/he love about school? How are homework routines going? What impresses you the most about your child's learning? What concerns do you have?
- Think about **what you would like to know about how your child performs in school.** Is s/he excited about learning? Does s/he tend to try to avoid any type of activity? How are his/her skills developing? How are his/her work habits developing? How does s/he interact socially?
- **All learners develop at different rates and in different ways.** Your child's teacher will help you know the areas in which your child is performing comfortably and the areas in which s/he needs some support at this time. Please remember that if your child needs support in some areas of the curriculum, it is okay. The teacher will let you know what she is doing to address your child's needs and what you can do to support your child at home. We may offer AIS (Academic Intervention Services) for a period of 6-8 weeks to give your child a "boost."
- Your child's performance in *all* areas of the curriculum, including art, music, and physical education, is important. If you would like to schedule an appointment with Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Kotzky, or Mr. Malone, please call the Main Office.
- The best way to support your child's growth and confidence as a learner is to **celebrate and encourage effort and perseverance.** Let your child know how proud you are of how hard s/he works in school to be the very best student s/he can be.

As you enter the building this week, please take a moment to look over the tables of *Lost & Found* items to see if your child left something behind at school.

Warm regards,

Lynn Herschlein

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Dates to Remember.

November 9th - GPFA Parents' Night Out Fundraiser

November 9th and 12th - Kindergarten Parent-Teacher Conferences

November 10th and 13th - First Grade Parent-Teacher Conferences

November 11th - No School- Veterans' Day

November 15th - SEPTA Family Event - Peanuts Movie, 10am at Elwood Cinemas

November 18th - Photo Re-Take Day

GPFA meeting 9:30am- Mrs. Herschlein will present a workshop on reading

Use of our School Field

The field will be treated with a granular product this weekend. The field will be ready for use after 24 hours.

Safety Drills

As you know, we conduct safety drills on a regular basis. The children learn what to do in the event of emergencies requiring either evacuation or a lockdown of the building. The drills serve as a practice experience for the children so that in the event of an emergency they will be more readily able to follow their teacher's directions. Most importantly, it serves as an opportunity for the adults in charge to review and implement our safety protocols. Drills are conducted as a matter of course and without notification. Please be assured that we make every effort to ensure that the children are not alarmed. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

*****Please be sure to register for the Parent Portal on our website—You will need it to access your child's report card next month! Here are the instructions: (You need to have your child's student ID #)*****

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.

Notes from the GPFA

It's not too late to buy tickets to **Parents' Night Out!** Parents' Night Out is Goosehill's ONE and ONLY fundraiser of the year. The GPFA uses the money raised from this night to sponsor and support the following Goosehill events, to name a few: *Welcome Back Picnic, Family Fun Nights, Kindergarten & First Grade Dances, Moving-Up Day, Field Day, Pizza & Ice Party, and Author Visits.*



In addition, this year we hope to raise funds to improve our courtyard, add a new sports court, enhance our book nook with new games and books and also purchase buddy benches to help our students feel more connected at recess time.

If you have not yet purchased tickets and would like to do so, send a check (Monday morning) payable to the GPFA via backpack (Attention: Parents' Night Out) or visit <http://tinyurl.com/ndep7qt> to buy tickets online. Please also kindly RSVP to the Paperless Post if you have not done so already. Tickets are \$75 per person. We hope to see you all Monday, November 9th from 7-9pm at Honu! Please feel free to contact Kim Testa with any questions - kntesta@aol.com.

Thank you for your support!

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 November 10, 2015, at 6:30 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!*

Adventures in Art:
Stories with Cindy Sherman

**Tuesday, November 10
@ 4:30 pm**

For children in grades K-6

Discover the photographs of contemporary artist Cindy Sherman and create your own Sherman-inspired story.

Little Scientists

For Children in Preschool

Thursday, November 12 @ 2:00 pm

Explore the wonderful world of science with books, games, and hands-on activities.

TEEN PROGRAM:

Teen Advisory Board

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13 @ 3:00 pm

Embrace the Negative: Negative space Painting

Enjoy a relaxing afternoon of exploring negative space with paing, painters tape and canvas!
Want a say in what the Library has to offer our Teen population? Join the Teen Advisory Board and share your ideas ans know-how for projects, movies, crafts, programs and stuff for Teens

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 and Services from Cold Spring Harbor Library's Information Services Department*

For Teens and Adults: Guided Meditation
Thursday, November 12 at 7 pm



Linda Cafiero will explain the benefits of mindfulness, how to practice meditation, and lead the group through a body-centered mediation. If you choose to lie on the floor, please bring a towel or mat and a small pillow. Open to adults and teens age 16+. Register in advance or pay at the door.
Fee: \$5 cash or check payable to CSH Library.

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

THE PEANUTS MOVIE

FAMILY EVENT

PRESENTED BY
COLD SPRING HARBOR SEPTA

Sunday, Nov 15th @ 10:00

Elwood Cinema: 1950 Jericho Turnpike, East Northport

\$15.00 per ticket (includes popcorn and drink)

Purchase tickets via [paypal.me/CSHSepta](https://www.paypal.me/CSHSepta)

OR

Checks can be made payable to CSH Septa and sent with below form
completed to CSH Septa mailbox (district office), Attn: Nicole Prizzi

Envelopes can be passed to your child's teacher.

Family Name: _____

email: _____

of tickets _____

phone: _____

Goosehill Apparel 2015

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Order Online by Nov. 8th

Place all orders online at: <https://goosehill2015.itemorder.com/sale>



\$30.00



\$45.00



\$25.00



\$15.00



\$25.00



\$14.00



\$25.00

WOODBURY SPORTS

7956 JERICHO TURNPIKE - WOODBURY, NY 11797
Tel. 516-496-0600 - Email: Woodburysports@gmail.com

Please join the **GPFA** and the **Students of Goosehill** in our

Second Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

This year, we will be continuing our partnership with **Helping Hand Rescue Mission**, located in Huntington Station, in its annual drive to provide Thanksgiving parcels of food and turkeys to families in need. Last year, in its 50th year of distributing food, Helping Hand Rescue Mission reached over 400 families in Huntington Station. Our generous Goosehill Family provided nine boxes.

Once again, we are asking that each child bring in one item for our **TEN** donation boxes plus \$1 to be put towards the purchase of turkeys. All donations are on a purely volunteer basis. Your teacher will highlight one item on the following list for your child to bring to school:

- 1 box of pancake mix
- 1 bottle of syrup
- 1 box / bag of stuffing mix
- 1 package of instant potatoes
- 1 large can of yams
- 1 can of green beans
- 1 can of peas
- 1 can of corn
- 1 can of corn
- 1 family size bottle of juice
- 1 cranberry sauce
- 1 box of macaroni & cheese
- 1 package of cookies or candy
- 1 can of coffee
- 1 box of tea
- 1 cake mix
- 1 can of cake frosting

All donations should be at school by Friday, November 20th. As we prepare to deliver our wonderful boxes, the children will decorate them with Thanksgiving themes during indoor recess. This is a great way to teach our kids about volunteerism and giving back to our local communities.

Thank you in advance for your support,

The GPFA



Bringing Families and Schools Together

Presents a Workshop

Learning Standards: What Does It All Mean for My Child?



**We're All in This Together. Join us on:
Tuesday, Nov. 17th, 7pm
Cold Spring Harbor Library**