West Side School

# The Friday Notes

Our 226<sup>th</sup> Season March 4, 2016

#### **Principal's Corner**

This week, in the area of writing, our second graders launched the informational unit. While our youngest learners already chose topics, they will be immersed in this unit for several weeks as they brainstorm, draft, and edit their own non-fiction "All About" books. Also during Writing Workshop, West Side third graders continued to draft their persuasive writing pieces and during Reading Workshop, students collaborated in biography book clubs. Students learned about the lives of Walt Disney, Roald Dahl, and Rosa Parks just to name a few. Fourth graders, who are deep into a research unit, read articles and watched videos and learned more about germs. While the unit is a complex one, the art of taking copious notes will certainly help. Our fourth graders also welcomed a member of the Harlem Wizards basketball team who put on a demonstration in the gym. This grade was chosen for winning the LightSail Reading Challenge. Congratulations again! Fifth graders prepared PowerPoint presentations in reading for their peers. Students spoke about specific authors while they each compared and contrasted two books. They also examined theme and each author's style of writing. In addition, they published their literary essays in the computer lab during writing. Sixth graders began to explore the gualities of leadership and reflected on why these characteristics are valued. On Friday, thanks to our Student Council, all students had the opportunity to shop for books in the Community Room. Students donated used books which were purchased for one dollar. Thank you to Tara Tassani and Jennifer Coniglio for their excellent presentation at the Central Parents Council meeting on the Elementary Foreign Language Program. Señoras Tassani and Coniglio have a website that parents can access from the Cold Spring Harbor District homepage under teacher websites. Finally, last weekend Peter Moynihan was selected for 7th chair cello based upon his audition at the Long Island String Festival Association (LISFA) performance. Peter had to audition against 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade cello students from Long Island. Congratulations, Peter!

Don't forget about Ice Skate Night at Syosset-Woodbury Rink this Sunday at 6:00 PM.



#### **Talent Show**

It's that time again! Get ready...set...perform, all you wonderfully talented West Side Stars! The 2016 West Side Talent Show will be held on <u>Saturday, May 14th</u>. The show is open to all students,  $2^{nd}$  through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. \*A special note: This year students <u>WILL</u> be allowed to be in one SOLO act plus one group act (sixth grade group act not included). Both parents and students should <u>read all the rules</u> before filling out the participation form. There are two mandatory rehearsals plus the dress rehearsal. See form for dates. The participation forms are attached to the Friday Notes and must be submitted no later than 4/1/16. (Late submissions will not be accepted.) Additional participation forms will be available in the main office and security desk. <u>Applications must be submitted with the \$35 fee</u> (per family) payable to WSSPTG which includes the show CD and (1) T-shirt. <u>Additional performers in the same family must purchase additional tshirts at \$10 each per performer submitted with the application</u>. (T-shirts will be worn in the finale.) We are sure to have a great show with all the talented students at West Side. If you are doing a musical act, a CD or digital copy of the song must be edited and submitted or emailed to me by 4/1/16. If you would like me to copy and edit the music, please indicate that on the application - also see the "Talent Show Rules" form for more information. If you would like to volunteer to be on the committee, please contact Randi Weiss at Randi\_Weiss@hotmail.com

#### West Side Kids Care

Huntington Interfaith Homeless Initiative (HIHI) is a program that provides a safe, warm place to spend the night for homeless individuals who have been living outdoors in the Huntington area. HIHI provides housing, clothing, a hot dinner, and a bag breakfast and lunch during the coldest months of the year. CSH High School students volunteer helping the sites set up, serving dinner, and hanging out with the guests. West Side Kids Care completes the CSH effort by providing the breakfasts and lunches to go (25-30 of each). A HIHI sandwich making event will be held on <u>Monday, March</u> <u>7th from 3:15 to 4:00 in the West Side Cafeteria</u> and is open to all West Side students and families to come and help. The class moms will be sending out an email to ask for specific food donations to be brought to the cafeteria prior to the event on Monday.

#### Yearbook

Yearbook Sales are now open!! The yearbook is a beautiful keepsake for your child. School events, portraits, candid photos and so much more. Every grade is represented in the yearbook. Yearbooks will be sold online only. Order your book today!

Just follow the steps below: Step 1: Visit <u>http://www.memorybook.com/parentpay</u> Step 2: Enter your pay code 78934 and click next Step 3: Buy a yearbook for \$30.00 or yearbook with personalized name for \$32.25 Order online through: April 20, 2016

If you have any issues with your order, please contact Ingrid Wright at wrights103@aol.com

#### **Upcoming Events**

Ice Skating Night	Sunday, March 6th at 6:00 PM at Syosset-Woodbury Rink
Harlem Wizards Basketball Game	Sunday March 6 <sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM at CSH High School
PTG Meeting BOE Meeting	Tuesday, March 8th at 9:30 AM in the Community Room
BOE Meeting	Tuesday, March 8th at 8:00 PM at District Office
Report Cards on Parent Portal	Friday March 17th at 5:00 PM

#### **Attachments from the School**

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#### To be Eligible:

- The show is open to all Westside students in grades 2-6.
- A \$35 Fee MUST be submitted with your application. This fee includes the cost of the 2016 West Side Talent Show T-shirt and CD. NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PAYMENT AND A <u>T-SHIRT SIZE</u>.
- Applications are due by <u>4/1/16</u>. Late submissions will not be accepted. All students must return a completed and signed Talent Show Participation Form with check and T-shirt size.
- Soloists and groups of any size are eligible.
- This year, students will have the opportunity to perform in <u>one solo act and one group act</u>, with the exception of sixth graders, who will have the opportunity, in addition, to perform a big group number at the end of the show if they choose. A sixth grade parent is encouraged to volunteer as coordinator for this act. Please contact Randi Weiss at Randi\_Weiss@hotmail.com if you are interested.
- All music, whether it's for a dance, song or background music, is due by <u>4/1/16</u>. The CD should be labeled with the student's name(s), song name, and artist/composer. I have no problem working with you in cutting the music down as long as you give me the time counter for the music (ex. :20-2:20 seconds) and it's **before** the deadline.
- If a CD or email with the edited music is NOT submitted by the music deadline <u>4/1/16</u>, (1) edited copy of the music, using the first 2 minutes of the song will be cut down for you. An email with the music will be sent to the group. Absolutely no changes will be accepted after that date so please be considerate and get your music in.

#### Planning your act:

- Lyrics, costumes and performances should be compliant with school policy and appropriate for all audiences. Clean versions of songs only.
- All acts will be limited to 2 minutes.
- Submit your application and music early as we are limiting the same song to be performed only twice during the show. Any soloist or group who submits their application with a same song already approved to two other groups will have to choose a new song for their act.
- Most of all be creative and show off your true talent! Unique acts are always appreciated!!

#### **Rehearsals:**

- The show will be broken up into two Acts with an intermission in between.
- *You must attend two rehearsals plus the dress rehearsal*. Because of the April break, all performers are required to be at the first rehearsal on Wednesday April 20 from 3:15-5. (Once your act is done, you may go home) Your act does not need to be polished at this 1st rehearsal, this is more for placement in the show. For the 2<sup>nd</sup> rehearsal, all acts MUST be complete and ready to be performed. You will be assigned the 2<sup>nd</sup> rehearsal based on which act you are in, either Wed. May 4 for Act 1 or Thurs. May 5 for Act 2 at Westside School from 3:15-5:00 (Once your act is done, you may go home). There will be a dress/tech rehearsal on Friday May 13 at the Cold Spring Harbor High School Performance Arts Center (PAC) right after school for all performers. All performers must stay for the entire time as we will be rehearsing the finale as well. You must be at your scheduled rehearsal to perform in the show. This is mandatory. *If you are unable to commit to these rehearsals, please do not sign up to be in the talent show*.
- **Parents must send a note to the child's teacher when their child is scheduled to stay after school for rehearsal.** If your child does not have a note, the teacher will have to send your child home in the usual way.
- All students must sign in with a Talent Show committee member upon arrival, and sign out when leaving the rehearsal.

#### **Courtesy and Conduct:**

- Those students who would like to volunteer for backstage crew or other jobs for the night of the show should contact Randi Weiss @ Randi\_Weiss@hotmail.com
- Please take your time in deciding your act. This is a full commitment for you and your fellow group members. We would like to avoid any unnecessary tears so please make this a binding agreement with those you sign up with.
- Once a group has been formed and paperwork submitted, there will be **absolutely no switching from group to group** with only one exception as followed. If a person does drop out for any reason, the person left in the group may continue to perform solo or may find another student who has not signed up for any act to take their place. If that person cannot find another person to join them, at that point they may join an existing group if the group has approved it.
- If a student drops out of an act. That student will <u>not</u> be permitted to participate in any other acts for the 2016 talent show.
- Students can submit their applications via backpack, labeled "West Side Talent Show"

To all the wonderfully talented students at West Side, this is your chance to shine in front of your friends and family. As much work goes into producing this magical event, the content and entertainment value is all up to you! Be prepared, professional and dedicated to making this the best Talent Show yet! - Randi

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### **Participation Form**

(Must be submitted by 4/1/16 Late Submissions will not be accepted) Please return to school in an envelope marked "West Side Talent Show- Attn: Randi Weiss"

Student's Name: Home Phone:	<b>Grade:</b> Cellphone n	<b>Teacher:</b> umber:	Date:
Parent's e-mail: ( <i>Please write <u>neatly</u> a</i>	is <b>all</b> corresponden	ces will he sent through	n e-mail)
Description of the act: Please circle <u>all</u> that	at applies- Dance /	Singing / Comedy	-
Soloist Group act (If group, identify on	ne point of contact		)
Name of Act or song and artist/composinstrument being played:	ser, if Dancing: w	rite type of dance, if	Instrumental: write type of
If group act, list <b>all participants</b> : (Full	name and grade)		
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<u>be submitted with a separate applic</u> on this application.	ation. All sizes a	are pre-ordered, yo	ou MUST fill out the T-shirt size

\*Parents/non-performers, if you are not participating in the show, we welcome you to purchase a t-shirt at \$10 each in support of your child & friends.

**Parents and Students:** By signing below you are agreeing to the rules and rehearsal requirements to participate in the 2016 Westside School Talent Show. Please carefully review with your child the section on courtesy and conduct. Please see Randi Weiss (Randi\_Weiss@hotmail.com) with any questions.

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Parents: Would you like to help during the auditions/rehearsal/show/concession?						
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#### 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 March 8, 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.

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William Bernhard, District Clerk

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#### \*\* PLEASE POST \*\*

Please be advised that a special meeting of the Board of Education will take place on March 10, 2016, at 8:30 a.m. in the Superintendent's Office at the Francis Roberts Community Center to discuss the proposed budget for 2016-2017. If necessary, the Board of Education may adjourn to Executive Session to discuss matters appropriate for Executive Session.

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#### \*\* PLEASE POST \*\*

Please be advised that a special meeting of the Board of Education will take place on March 22, 2016, at 3:00 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.

William Bernhard, District Clerk



**Councilman Mark Cuthbertson and the Town of Huntington** present a Spring UBRARIN Thursday, March 24th, 10:00am — 1:00pm Heckscher Park (tennis court area) **25A and Prime Avenue, Huntington** \* Treat Filled Eggs **Face Painting** \* Craft Tables This FREE event is for children ages 3-8. **ADVANCED REGISTRATION REQUIRED** Go to www.tohparks.com and click on the "Specials and Trips" to register. Please print out receipt and bring to event. Please bring canned food item for local food pantry. Call 351-2877 for more info. Family Fun Cente This notice is distributed to students solely as a community service by the school district. Such distribution should not be considered to be an endorsement or approval by the district of either the sponsor or the activity.

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



**Rockin' Shamrocks** Tuesday, March 5 @ 4:30 pm For Children in grades K-6 Using Model Magic, create a rockin' shamrock to hang on your refrigerator for St. Patrick's Day!

Teen & InBeTWEEN Graffiti Messenger Bags Tuesday, March 8 @ 7 pm

Use acrylic paint and sponges to decorate bags using Graffiti style and stencils. Save the Children Pinwheelss

Sunday, March 6 2:30-4:30 pm Stop by or stay the entire time!

YOU CAN BE A CHALLENGE PARTICIPANT ! For each pinwheel we make- the Bezos Family Foundation will donate \$2- up to \$400,000 to provide support to displaced Syrian youth. Through the International Rescue Committee's Healing Classrooms program, teachers will be trained in special techniques to engage conflictaffected children with social emotional learning opportunities and to create secure, nurturing learning environments.



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



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

## Join us for a production of



at Cold Spring Harbor Junior High School Performing Arts Center

Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> 7pm Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> 7pm Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> 2pm

**\$5.00 Student discount for Goosehill,** Westside and Lloyd Harbor students!

# The Heckscher Museum of Art 2 Prime Avenue, Huntington, NY 11743 | 631.351.3250 | Heckscher.org

# HECKSCHER FAMILY HOUR Guided Tour and Activity

Sunday, March 13, 2016 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Children ages 5 - 10 years *You Go Girl!* exhibition

Sunday, May 22, 2016 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Children ages 5 - 10 years *Master of Illusion: The Magical Art of Gary Erbe* exhibition

Children and their families are invited to join museum educator Tami Wood for familyfriendly 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.

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

The **Heckscher** Museum of Art UPCOMING AT THE HECKSCHER MUSEUM La Nuit des Musees: Free Community Event Saturday, May 14, 2016 | 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Like & follow @heckschermuseum



# Give your young explorer a summer surrounded by nature!



**Cold Spring Harbor Fish Hatchery & Aquarium** 1660 Route 25A, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724 · (516) 692-6768 · cshfha.org







The Earth Day Competition is for school children in grades K-6 from every corner of New York State. The Senate's goal is to encourage children to develop an awareness of the environment and its resources. Teaching children about the importance of recycling and waste reduction is critical as we face the environmental challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

## **OUR THEME: REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE**

The Senate's focus is to emphasize the importance of recycling and waste reduction, to encourage the exchange of ideas about recycling and waste reduction among schools, children and adults and to stimulate creative thinking about solutions to problems concerning recycling and waste reduction. We are asking students to create a poster that could be used as part of this campaign.

#### ENTRIES

• Entries should be photographed and submitted electronically, preferably in a jpeg format via marcellino.nysenate.gov • Entries will be displayed on the Senator's website.

Below is a sample of the required on-line registration form.

## SAMPLE OF ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM (All entries must be submitted by April 4, 2016)

Student's Name:
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feacher's Name:
School Name:
School Address:
City, State, Zip:
School Phone Number:
E-mail Address:
CAPTCHA Required to finalize submission



Save The Children Long Island Junior Council Healing Classrooms Challenge Craft Making: PINWEELS

Sunday, March 6 from 2:30 - 4:30 PM Cold Spring Harbor Library Children of all ages and Adults Make a Pinwheel for Peace



stop by or stay the entire time

Carl Wilkens said: "When you make something with your hands, it changes the way you feel, which changes the way you think, which changes the way you act." This is the essence of StudentsRebuild.

StudentsRebuild is a collaborative program of the Bezos Family Foundation which works to inspire young people worldwide to connect, learn and take collective action on critical global issues. Since 2010, StudentsRebuild has offered "Challenges" which invite young people to create a simple, symbolic object which the foundation matches with funding to worthy causes.

Save The Children Long Island Junior Council is a local community based group of students who volunteer to support the mission of Save The Children. Save the Children gives children in the United States and around the world what every child deserves - a healthy start, the opportunity to learn and protection from harm.

#### YOU CAN BE A **CHALLENGE PARTICIPANT !**

For each pinwheel we make- the Bezos Family Foundation will donate \$2- up to \$400,000 to provide support to displaced Syrian youth. Through the International Rescue Committee's Healing Classrooms program teachers will be trained in special engage conflict-affected techniques to children with social emotional learning opportunities and to create secure, nurturing learning environments.



#### Matching Grant Supports Save The Children Long Island Council!

A matching donation of \$2- up to \$1,000- for each Pinwheel made at the library will be donated to Save The Children Long Island Council by Lori and Chris Homer through the A.L.L. Caring Foundation.

We're hopeful that as Challenge participants work on their pinwheels, they will think about the displaced youth they're helping and about the issues of conflict and peace.

> For more information: studentsrebuild.org savethechldrenli.org Lhomer73@gmail.com

# Fun, Fun, Fun! Annual Lion's Club Egg Hunt

Welcome Parents and Children (up to 12 years old)

Date: Saturday, March 26, 2016

PLACE: The Francis Roberts Community Center 75 Goose Hill Road Cold Spring Harbor

> TIME: 10:00 AM SHARP!! Rain or Shine

DONATION: Please bring a non-perishable food item to help the Huntington Community Food Council

PRIZES, EGG RACES, AND LOTS OF COLORED EGGS!!

> For Info Call Skip Norton (631)692-6179





