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The Friday Notes

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Our 226th Season March 11, 2016

Principal's Corner

Congratulations to Jackson DeMarco, Jennifer Papa, and Logan Vitagliano who gave a riveting presentation at Tuesday's Board of Education meeting on the importance of having a growth mindset. These students shared some of the most current research in the field as well as some of the projects they have completed this year. Fraser Lintott was also instrumental in planning the PowerPoint presentation for the Board of Ed. Special thanks to Ms. DeRosa who also presented with our team of students and to Ms. Diehl who helped us imbed videos and sound to the presentation. It was truly a team effort. In addition, I would like to thank Ms. Chase and Ms. Wojcik, who run our AIS department, for their New York State testing presentation at Tuesday's PTG meeting. Please see below for more information regarding the New York State assessments. This weekend, Jonathan Brown will be competing in the regional Spelling Bee at Hofstra University. Good luck, Jonathan! Finally, thank you to Mrs. Goldstein, Mrs. Testa, and our PTG volunteers for another successful Ice Skate Night last weekend under the lights!

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences begin on Friday March 18th and will continue on March 23rd and April 1st. All days are halfdays and students will be dismissed at noon.

NYS Testing Dates

As mentioned at this week's PTG meeting, the New York State ELA assessment will be administered on April 5 – 7 with make-ups following the days after. The New York State Math Assessment will take place the following week on April 13 – 15. Again, make-up days will follow for students who are absent. Parents can help to prepare their children for success by:

- ensuring children get a good night's sleep before each day of testing
- providing children with a balanced breakfast on the morning of the exam
- encouraging children to try their hardest
- 🖋 making sure children arrive to school <u>on time</u> assessments will begin promptly at 9:00 AM

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, 2nd through 6th 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

Ice Skate Night

Thank you to all who helped putting together Ice Skating Night for the West Side families, especially: Kathleen Milana, Susan Goldstein, Jenean Ketterer, Tamara Ross, Maryann Lombardo, Ana Shammah, Lorena Munyak and Kim Testa. The event would not have been as successful without your support, time and effort. We greatly appreciate all you have done in making this event so special.

WSS Sports/Game Night

<u>Calling all Dads! Calling all Dads!</u> Please join us on <u>Sunday, April 3, 2016, at 5:30pm</u> for a fun Sports/Game Night at West Side School. It's sure to be a great event. We will have dinner, bingo, raffles, music and games. This event is for dads and their children. If Dad cannot attend, a grandfather, uncle or any other male figure in your child's life is also

welcome! We are also looking for volunteers. If you're interested please contact Claudia Marino at <u>cmadero@aol.com</u>or Christine Masata at <u>christine.masata@gmail.com</u>. We are looking forward to a great night!

West Side Kids Care

A big thank you to all of the families who donated food and parents and students who helped assemble over 40 breakfasts and lunches for the homeless.

Recess Volunteers

If you would like to volunteer at recess during the 2015/2016 school year, please contact Lauren Jasinski at <u>WestSideRecess@gmail.com</u>, if you have not added your name to the Recess Committee sign-up sheet already.

Yearbook

DO NOT GET CLOSED OUT!!! 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. <u>Yearbooks will be sold online only. Order your book today!</u>

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

You can still get your pictures in the yearbook! The Yearbook Staff invites students and parents to submit photos for the yearbook. If you've got great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we'd like to see them. Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have.

Here is how you can submit photos online:

• Go to: https://images.memoryebooks.com/login

• If it does not automatically log you into the site, enter username: 403103590

• Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload.

Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
Click "Save Details".

Upcoming Events

It's that easy! Submit your photos today! Contact Kathleen Milana at milanakat@yahoo.com to volunteer.

Report Cards on Parent Portal Thursday, March 17th at 5:00 PM Parent-Teacher Conf.: Noon Dismissal Friday, March 18th Parent-Teacher Conf.: Noon Dismissal Wednesday, March 23rd **Easter Recess: School Closed** March 24th, 25th, and 28th SIT Thursday, March 31st at 3:30 PM Parent-Teacher Conf.: Noon Dismissal Friday, April 1st **Sports Game Night** Sunday, April 3rd from 5:30 – 7:00 PM at West Side **NYS ELA Assessment** April 5 – 7

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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 2nd rehearsal, all acts MUST be complete and ready to be performed. You will be assigned the 2nd 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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(Must be s	est Side School Annual Talent Show SATURDAY May 14, 2016 Participation Form ubmitted by 4/1/16 Late Submissions will not be a to school in an envelope marked "West Side Talent Show- Attn: Ro	
Student's Name: Home Phone:	Grade: Teacher: Cellphone number:	Date:
Parent's e-mail:(<i>Please wri</i>	i te <u>neatly</u> as all correspondences will be sent through e-mai	1)
Description of the act: Please c	ircle <u>all</u> that applies- Dance / Singing / Comedy / Instr Other (please explain)	
Soloist Group act (If grou	ap, identify one point of contact)
Name of Act or song and articinstrument being played:	st/composer, if Dancing: write type of dance, if Instru	mental: write type of
If group act, list all particip a	ants: (Full name and grade)	
once complete and (1) West the finale.) Please make chec <u>Additional shirts for other</u>	l y to participate in the talent show. Each family will r Side's Got Talent T-Shirt prior to the show (Kids will l ck payable to WSSPTG and enclose it with your compl <u>family members who are participating in the show</u> ate application. All sizes are pre-ordered, you MUS	be wearing the T-shirt in eted application. w are \$10 each and must
*Parents/non-performers, if \$10 each in support of your o	you are not participating in the show, we welcome yo child & friends.	ou to purchase a t-shirt at
participate in the 2016 West	signing below you are agreeing to the rules and rehea side School Talent Show. Please carefully review with se see Randi Weiss (Randi_Weiss@hotmail.com) with REMEMBER:	n your child the section on
Parent's Name:		√ - CHECK # <u></u>
Signature: Parents: Would you like to he	Signature: elp during the auditions/rehearsal/show/concession	√ - Music
	West Side's Got Talent T-Shirt Order Form	
Student's Name	Grade Teacher	Fotal # of T-shirts Ordered

(Youth S___Youth M___Youth L___Youth XL___Adult S ___Adult M ___Adult L ___Adult XL ___

Join us for a production of



at Cold Spring Harbor Junior High School Performing Arts Center

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

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



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 21st 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:	· · ·
Grade:	
Teacher's Name:	
School Name:	
School Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
School Phone Number:	
E-mail Address:	
CAPTCHA Required to finalize submission	



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

St. Patrick's Day Fun @ the Library

Magic Fizzing Shamrocks

For Children in grades K-2 Tuesday, March 15 @4:30 pm Explore the world of science and create a magic fizzing shamrock to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Catch a Leprechaun

For Children in grades K-6 Thursday , March 17 @ 4:30 pm There are leprechauns in the library! Decorate your own trap to catch that sneaky leprechaun this year.

ART @ THE LIBRARY

MINI MASTERS

FOR CHILDREN IN AGES 3-5 MONDAY, MARCH 14 @ 2:00 PM DISCOVER THE WORKS OF PICASSO AND OTHER MODERN ARTISTS, THEN CREATE YOUR OWN FOUND OBJECT ART.

ADVENTURES IN ART

FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES K-6 THURSDAY , MARCH 17 @ 4:30 PM DISCOVER THE WORKS OF PICASSO AND OTHER MODERN ARTISTS, THEN CREATE YOUR OWN FOUND OBJECT ART.

For more information about any Kids Programs 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



Clean Living = Healthy Weight Lecture Tuesday, March 15 at 7pm

Registered Dietician Nutritionist (and CSH Library's Pilates instructor), Fay Eikenes will discuss how a few simple lifestyle changes can improve your chances of achieving and maintaining a healthy weight. This program is free and open to all adults and teens.

Advance registration is appreciated.

X HA NORTH SHORE HOLIDAY HOUSE

"Kids Helping Kids" Pottery Painting Fundraiser



North Shore Holiday House 74 Huntington Rd Huntington, NY 11743

Drop in between 3 and 6pm on Wednesday, March 23rd

\$25 for everyone's first piece of pottery, \$15 for additional pieces

All proceeds go toward purchasing art supplies for the 2016 Holiday House camp season

Since 1914 North Shore Holiday House, an independent, not-for-profit organization, has provided free summer experiences to more than 200 children each summer from low-income communities





Councilman Mark Cuthbertson and the Town of Huntington present a Spring



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.

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.

Family Fun Center



ST. HUGH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL LEAGUE 2016 INTRAMURAL SPRING REGISTRATION

Register

OUR 5TH YEAR

WITHOUT A FEE INCREASE

2016 REGISTRATION FEES:

K-Clinic, \$100.00

*Grades 1 & 2, \$150.00

*Grades 3, 4, 5, \$175.00

*Grades 6 thru 12, \$185.00

*Divisions may be subject to a wait list.

Online Registration

Payment options: Credit Card or Check.

* Credit Card Applications are subject to a 6% Merchant Fee.

You may register anytime online via Credit Card or Check

NO REFUNDS Opening Day/Parade Day

Saturday April 16, 2016 St. Anthony's Athletic Complex See our Welcome Page "Important Dates" For Details

Price includes: uniform, trophy, team and individual picture, insurance, trained umps for 3rd-5th grade, professional umps from 6th-12th grade. Copy of Birth Certificate is Required for All New Players to the League. You must be enrolled in Kindergarten as of September 2015.

The Town of Huntington requires Huntington Town ID Cards for All Players 13 years or older as of April 1, 2015. The Town ID cards are issued at Huntington Town Hall or the Dix Hills Skating Rink. Copies of ID cards must be given to the League prior to March 1, 2016. or the child cannot participate in the League.



Serving The Youth of Huntington Since 1960

St. Hugh Baseball and Softball League, Inc. P.O. Box 1645, Huntington Station NY 11746



Give your young explorer a summer surrounded by nature!

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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 special meeting of the Board of Education will take place on March 15, 2016, 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 6:30 p.m.

At 6:30 p.m., the Board of Education will reconvene its public meeting to discuss Board Agenda items appropriate for Public Session, including the Lloyd Harbor Elementary School, West Side Elementary School, Personnel & Instructional Services, Technology, and Athletics budgets, pursuant to the Open Meetings Law.

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William Bernhard, District Clerk

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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 special meeting of the Board of Education will take place on March 29, 2016, 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 6:30 p.m.

At 6:30 p.m., the Board of Education will reconvene its public meeting to discuss Board Agenda items appropriate for Public Session, including the Goosehill Primary School, Special Education & Pupil Services, Cold Spring Harbor Jr./Sr. High School, Buildings and Grounds, Transportation, Undistributed, and General Support Budgets, pursuant to the Open Meetings Law.

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William Bernhard, District Clerk