

The Friday Notes

Our 226th Season March 18, 2016

Principal's Corner

In the coming weeks, we will begin forming classes for the 2016-17 school year. Our goal is to create well-balanced, heterogeneous classes where all children can thrive socially and academically. Classroom and special area teachers, support service providers, and the principal are all involved in the process. We work carefully to group students so that each class is balanced in terms of gender, social development, work habits, and academic performance. Parental input is appropriate if your child has specific needs that are not already known to us. If this is the case, you may submit a letter to my attention by April 15th. We will give the same level of care and attention to the placement of every child, whether a letter is written or not. For more information, please see the attached memo. Also, please note that report cards are now up on the parent portal.

Special thanks to Ryan Yost, son of Mr. Yost, who played the bagpipes at Thursday's morning assembly. Ryan played two numbers and demonstrated the different pieces of his instrument which he has been playing for over three years. In addition, Mr. Yost presented our students with some of the history behind the bagpipes.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences will continue on March 23rd and April 1st. All days are half-days 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 on time assessments will begin promptly at 9:00 AM

WEST SIDE SCHOOL

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 Saturday, May 14th. The show is open to all students, 2nd through 6th grade. *A special note: This year students WILL be allowed to be in one SOLO act plus one group act (sixth grade group act not included). Both parents and students should read all the rules 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. Applications must be submitted with the \$35 fee (per family) payable to WSSPTG which includes the show CD and (1) T-shirt. Additional performers in the same family must purchase additional t-shirts at \$10 each per performer submitted with the application. (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

WSS Sports/Game Night

Calling all Dads! Calling all Dads! Please join us on Sunday, April 3, 2016, at 5:30pm 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 cmmarine-maseta@gmail.com. We are looking forward to a great night!

Upcoming Sports Drive

While doing your spring cleaning in the next few weeks, please make sure to put aside any outgrown/lightly used sports equipment. There will be a sports equipment drive and tag sale later this spring to benefit a school district on Long Island in need. More details to follow from 6th grader, Drew Pultz, and other members of the H.E.R.O. Project.

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

<u>DO NOT GET CLOSED OUT!!!</u> 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 http://www.memorybook.com/parentpay

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 wrights 103@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".

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

Upcoming Events

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

PTG Meeting Tuesday, April 12th at 9:30 AM in the Conference Room

BOE Meeting Tuesday, April 12th at 8:00 PM at District Office

SIT Thursday, April 14th at 3:30 PM

NYS Math Assessment April 13 – 15

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March 16, 2016

Dear Parents:

In the coming weeks, we will begin forming classes for the 2016-17 school year. Our goal is to create well-balanced, heterogeneous classes where all children can thrive socially and academically. Classroom and special area teachers, support service providers, and the principal are all involved in the process. We work carefully to group students so that each class is balanced in terms of gender, social development, work habits, and academic performance.

Parental input is appropriate if your child has <u>specific needs that are not already known to us</u>. If this is the case, you may submit a letter to the principal's attention by <u>April 15th</u>. Because the grouping process will begin at that time, letters received after April 15th cannot be considered.

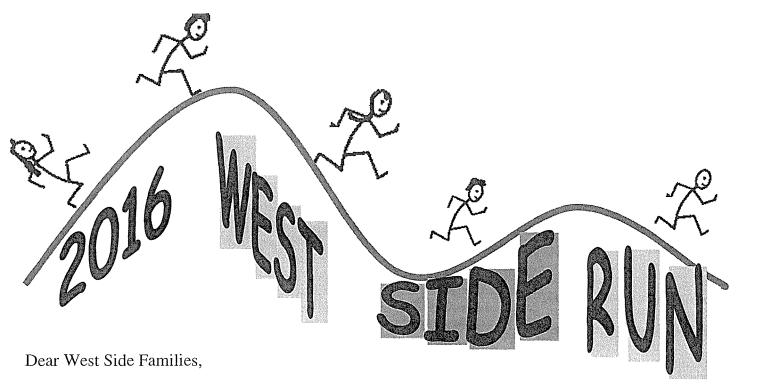
We will give the same level of care and attention to the placement of every child, whether a letter is written or not. However, if you choose to submit a letter, please note:

- <u>Letters should be addressed to the principal and sent to the Main Office</u>. (not via email) Requests should not be made to a teacher.
- If you are writing with regard to more than one child, separate letters must be submitted.
- Requests for placement with a specific child cannot be accepted. Our goal is to help students build friendships with many different children over the course of their educational experience.
- Requests for separation from one specific child may be considered. We cannot accept a request to separate your child from more than one child.
- Requests for a specific teacher will not be considered. In fairness to all, letters of this nature will be returned.
- If you would like to request that your child **not** be assigned a particular teacher, it must be due to the prior experience of a sibling. Please include the name and year the sibling was in the class. **This is the only request with regard to a specific teacher that will be accepted.**
- For students entering second grade, the placement process is completed by the Goosehill team.
- Letters from past years are not saved, and therefore cannot be considered.

Because of the complex nature of the process, once class assignments are made in August, placements are final.

We appreciate your confidence in the professional staff as we begin this important process. Thank you for your continued support of our efforts to create an educational environment where every child will be happy and successful.

Sincerely, Kurt Simon, WS Principal Valerie Massimo, LH Principal Lynn Herschlein, GH Principal



Please join us in supporting our upcoming 24th annual West Side Run on Sunday, May 22, 2016. The Run is one of two fundraisers that West Side School PTG holds each year. The money raised goes towards many PTG sponsored events during the school year (Halloween Dance, Movie Night, Sports/Game Night Skate Night, to name a few).

Over the past few years your generous donations have also gone towards the purchase of the following:

- New Feature Parking Lot Board at Entrance Circle
- Playground Picnic Tables
- New Piano for the Music Department
- Equipment for our Science Department
- New Rock Climbing Wall for the Gymnasium
- New Basketball glass backboards/hoops for the Gymnasium
- Repaving/striping of the outdoor basketball court
- Equipment for WSS Newsroom (IPTV Cart and Green Screen Technology)

We appreciate the 18 business sponsors and over 65 family sponsors who contributed last year, and we hope you will be able to sponsor this year's event.

Thank you to all of those who continue to donate and support our amazing school. As a reminder, the Business & Professional Sponsorship minimum donation is \$250. This will include your logo placed on the back of WSS Run T-shirts, your company name printed in the 2017 program, and your company name placed on the WSS parking lot board. Over 500 T-shirts will be circulating with your logo on it!

The Family Sponsors will have their names printed in the 2017 program and placed on the WSS parking lot board.

We look forward to running with you on Sunday, May 22nd. Thank you in advance for your generosity and for supporting a long standing tradition and fun family event!

The West Side Run Committee: Cat Bauer, Scott Bowden, Ted Hilton, Jack Sergi, Carol Solinger, Anna Shammah, Nancy Fastuca

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Business Sponsor Form

Thank you for supporting West Side School by sponsoring the WSS Run on Sunday, May 22nd!!

Business and professional sponsors will have their logo appear on the back of over 500 T-shirts that will be seen throughout the community for years to come. Their name will also appear on the WSS Sponsor Board located in the parking lot and will be printed in the 2016 West Side Run application.

Name of Company: Address:			
Contact (person & phone #):			
Business & Professional Sponsors:	Standard Size Ad: Double Size Ad:	\$250 \$500 Other	

Business card or artwork is due by Friday April 22, 2016

Please make checks payable to WSS/PTG. Checks can be sent to:

West Side Run Committee West Side School PTG 1597 Laurel Hollow Road Laurel Hollow, NY 11791

Please email company logo/artwork to: Cat Bauer – <u>bauerfamilytoronto@gmail.com</u>.

Any questions, please contact: Cat Bauer or another committee member. Thank you for your support!

Family Sponsor Form

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	Patron	\$150		
	Sponsor	\$100		
	Supporter	\$ 50		
	Other			
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Any questions, please contact: Cat Bauer - bauerfamilytoronto@gmail.com or another committee member. Thank you for your support!

1597 Laurel Hollow Road Laurel Hollow, NY 11791



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** *T-SHIRT SIZE*.
- Applications are due by 4/1/16. 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 **one solo act and one group act**, 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 4/1/16, (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 <u>absolutely no</u> <u>switching from group to group</u> 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 *not* 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

West Side School Annual Talent Show SATURDAY May 14, 2016

Check #	
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Shirt Size	•

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:			Date:				
Parent's e-mail:(<i>Please write <u>neatly</u> as all d</i>	correspondence	es will be sent throug	h e-mail)				
Description of the act: Please circle <u>all</u> that applies- Dance / Singing / Comedy / Instrumental/ Other (please explain)							
Soloist Group act (If group, identify one poin	t of contact						
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once complete and (1) West Side's Got Tales the finale.) Please make check payable to Wadditional shirts for other family members be submitted with a separate application on this application. *Parents/non-performers, if you are not pass \$10 each in support of your child & friends.	VSSPTG and e ers who are p n. All sizes as rticipating in	nclose it with your participating in th re pre-ordered, yo	completed application. e show are \$10 each and must ou MUST fill out the T-shirt size				
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. REMEMBER:							
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Parents: Would you like to help during the auditions/rehearsal/show/concession?							
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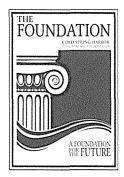
Join us for a production of



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!



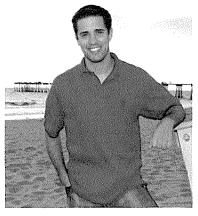
The Foundation Speaker Series: Mind, Body and Social Media

Presents

Josh Ochs, bestselling author of "Light, Bright and Polite"

Josh will join us via Skype on MARCH 30th from 11:30-1:00pm at LaunchPad Huntington, 315 Main Street 2nd Floor

He will provide practical and pertinent tools and information on how to know what your kids are doing online, ways to talk to them about it and how to help them present their best selves on social media.



Online Reputation

Josh travels the country training 30,000 Teens and Tweens each year on how to use social media to create a portfolio that enhances their online presence, impressing colleges, & future employers.

You will also receive access to this great tool that helps parents monitor their student's social media presence every Friday in less than 5 minutes.

All are welcome

A lite lunch will be served – limited seating available

Please RSVP by March 28th (click badge on left)

Seahawks Athletics Booster Club FUNDRAISER



Saturday, April 9, 2016 7-11pm at The Huntington Country Club



order tickets at cshathletics.com

Proceeds from the event support our student athletes!

Recent contributions include: Varsity Turf Safety Nets • Field Hockey Goals
Batting Cages • Program Development Clinics for Girls JV Golf & Basketball
Path to Seahawk Field • New Community Message Board • Tennis Court Wind Screens
Trainers & AD Golf Carts • Automatic Electronic Defibrillators • Equipment for Weight Room

The Seahawks Athletics Booster Club Inc. is a 591(c)(3) organization. All denations are tax deductible; please consult your tax professional SABC Federal Tax ID #46-4086708

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 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

COLD SPRING HARBOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 75 Goose Hill Road, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

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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.

William Bernhard, District Clerk

COLD SPRING HARBOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 75 Goose Hill Road, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

** PLEASE POST **

Please be advised that a meeting of the Cold Spring Harbor Policy Committee will take place on March 30, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. at The Francis Roberts Community Center.

William Bernhard, District Clerk

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

Special Storytimes

Spring is a Wonderful thing

For Children ages 2-5 with Adult Monday, March 21 @10:30 am

Listen to stories about spring and create your own caterpillar.

Sensory Storytime

For Children ages 3-5 with Adult Wednesday, March 16 @ 11:00 am

Join us in this inclusive program for a sensory enriching experience where we will read stories, sing songs, dance with instruments, and play with some sensory stations.

Anything But a Paintbrush

For Children in grades K-6 Tuesday, March 22 @ 4:30 pm

Get creative with paint and create a masterpiece using anything but a paintbrush. Dress to make a mess.

Chess Club with the LI Chess Nuts

For Children in grades 3-5 Saturday, March 19 @ 2:00=3:00 pm

Learn the fundamentals of chess with the LI Chess Nuts!

Participants with have the opportunity to practice and learn with other players. All Levels Welcome

College Planning in a Nutshell

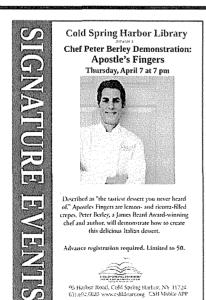
Monday, March 21 @ 7:00 pm

For children in grades 7-11 and their parents.

College planning in a nutshell is an overview of the college planning process. The discussion begins with college admissions and what factors colleges use to evaluate students. Then we review a calendar of what students need to do beginning in freshman year to build a profile for college. Lastly, specific strategies will be discussed that could help seniors who are borderline applicants at their desired schools.

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



Peter Berley Cooking Demonstration: Apostle's Fingers Crepes Thursday, April 7 at 7pm



Chef Peter Berley will demonstrate how to prepare Apostle's Fingers, homemade buttermilk ricotta-filled crepes with lemon syrup. Cookbook sale and signing follows.

This program is free and open to all adults and teens.

Limited to 50 attendees. Advance registration required.

WaterFront Ecenter. Junior Summer!

Open House: April 9th & May 7th from 1pm to 3pm

The WaterFront Center offers full day and half day Junior Summer Programs for children in grades 1st through 12th. Sail, race, sniggle, kayak, and have fun at The WFC this summer!



This notice is distributed 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. Programs not affiliated or endorsed by the Oyster Bay - East Norwich CSD

The WaterFront Center is a Not-For-Profit 501(c)3 Organization Fed Tax Id #11-3539597

516-922-7245 * www.thewaterfrontcenter.org





Spring Break Programs

When school's out, WFC adventures are in!

Marine Science Mornings

Sign up for one day or the whole week online at www.thewaterfrontcenter.org!

Schedule: April 25-April 29 Grades: K-2nd & 3rd-5th

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm Fee: \$20 per day

Topics Include: Marine Madness Monday, Turtle Tuesday, Wacky Whelk

Wednesday, Tidal Thursday, and Fish Frenzy Friday





STEAM Camp

Sign up for whole week online at www.thewaterfrontcenter.org!

Schedule: April 25-April 29 Grades: 5th—8th

Time: 12:30pm-2:30pm **Fee**: \$100 for the week

Topics Include: Wind Power, Boat Building, and Simple Machines