

#### The Friday Notes

Our 226<sup>th</sup> Season March 23, 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.

#### **Parent-Teacher Conferences**

Parent-teacher conferences will continue on April 1st 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



#### **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

<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 <a href="mailto:cmmarine-masata@gmail.com">cmmarine-masata@gmail.com</a>. 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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 WestSideRecess@gmail.com, 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 <a href="http://www.memorybook.com/parentpay">http://www.memorybook.com/parentpay</a>

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**

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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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## 24th Annual



## 5K & 4 Mile Run

Sunday May 22, 2016

West Side School Laurel Hollow Cold Spring Harbor C.S.D.

#### Directions to West Side Run

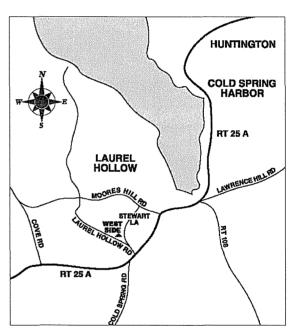
The West Side School is located just one block north of Route 25A in the village of Laurel Hollow, Syosset, NY.

#### From the West

Take the LIE or Northem State to Route 106. Turn left- North, to Route 25A, Northem Blvd. Turn right- East, on 25A. Continue for 3.2 miles, just past the 4th traffic light, turn left onto Laurel Hollow Road (don't go down the hill on 25A). Follow the signs to the parking area.

#### From the East

On 25A continue through Huntington and Cold Spring Harbor past the Fish Hatchery, on left, and the Cold Spring Lab, on right, up to the top of the hill on 25A. Turn right on Laurel Hollow Road at the hilltop, *before* the traffic light. Follow the signs to the parking area.



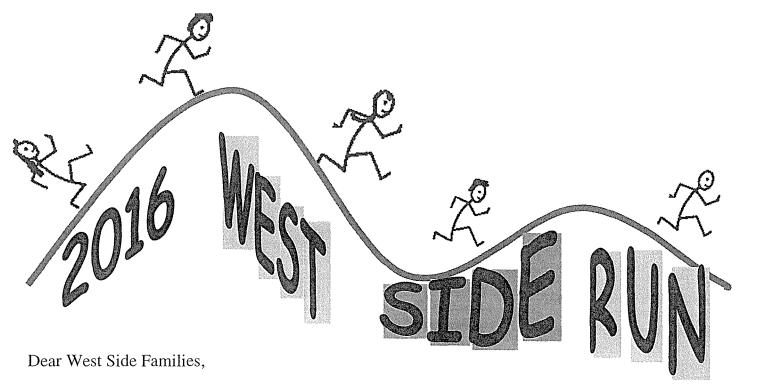
#### **Application Form**

I, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my heirs, my executors, my administrators and assigns, do hereby waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I have against the West Side School Parent Teacher Group Inc., Cold Spring Harbor Central School District, the Village of Laure. Hollow, the Oyster Bay Fire Department, Just Finish Inc., their representatives, employees, agents, successors and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in the West

NAME	Email	PHONE
ADDRESS		TOWN
ZIP	AGE (as of race date)	SEX
EVENT: 5k <b>O</b> \$20.00	1M $\mathbf{O}$ \$20.00 PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED $\mathbf{O}$	
		Fill out race application.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE (Parent, if under 18) Fill out race application,

detach and return with check.



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.

Contact (person & phone #):	
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Business & Professional Sponsors: Standard Size Ad: \$250	
Double Size Ad: \$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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Family sp	onsors (names on WSS Sp	onsor Board	I & 2016 Application)	
	Gold Patron	\$200		
	Patron	\$150		
	Sponsor	\$100		
	Supporter	\$ 50		
	Other			
Platinum	Sponsorships (names on V	VSS Sponsor	Board, 2016 Application)	
	500 West Side Run 7	Γ-shirts	\$2500	
	Trophies		\$ 700	
	Timer Company Cha	ırges		
	Printing of 6000 App	•		

Please make checks payable to WSS/PTG. Return to:

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

Any questions, please contact: Cat Bauer - bauerfamilytoronto@gmail.com or another committee member. Thank you for your support!



#### 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 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 <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 <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

## West Side School Annual Talent Show SATURDAY May 14, 2016

Check #	
Amt\$	
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:					
Parent's e-mail:( <i>Please write <u>neatly</u> as all</i>	correspondences	will be sent through e-	mail)		
Description of the act: Please circle <u>all</u> that ap			nstrumental/		
Soloist Group act (If group, identify one poi	nt of contact		)		
Name of Act or song and artist/composer, instrument being played:	if Dancing: write	type of dance, if Ins	trumental: write type of		
If group act, list all participants: (Full name					
once complete and (1) West Side's Got Tale the finale.) Please make check payable to Additional shirts for other family member be submitted with a separate application on this application.  *Parents/non-performers, if you are not payable to your child & friends	WSSPTG and end pers who are pa pn. All sizes are articipating in th	lose it with your con rticipating in the s pre-ordered, you l	mpleted application.  how are \$10 each and must  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:					
Parent's Name:	Student's Name:		√ - CHECK #  √ - T-Shirt Size		
Signature:	Signature:		√ - T-Shirt Size		
Parents: Would you like to help during the	auditions/rehea	arsal/show/concess	√-Musicion?		
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## 2016 SUMMER SCIENCE CAMPS!

Sign up at: http://summercamps.dnalc.org

Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory's DNA Learning Center (DNALC) is the world's first science center devoted entirely to genetics education. The DNALC "invented" DNA camps over 30 years ago, and over 18,300 students have participated. Guided by experienced instructors, students entering 6<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> grades use sophisticated laboratory and computer equipment to perform experiments several grade levels ahead of their peers.

**Fun with DNA** (entering grades 6, 7) Build an understanding of cell biology, microbiology, biotechnology, and genetics through hands-on experiments.



**World of Enzymes** (entering grade 8, or Fun with DNA alumni entering grade 7) Explore the use of enzymes in molecular biology and the food and health industries.

**Green Genes** (entering grade 9, or World of Enzymes alumni entering grade 8) Perform the same recombinant DNA techniques used to manufacture human proteins such as insulin.



Forensic Detectives (entering grade 9) Experience forensics through a series of labs and activities in a more realistic fashion than portrayed on TV—it's not just DNA!

#### **Backyard Barcoding**

(Green Genes alumni entering grade 9) Explore how DNA barcodes can be used to identify a species and how to use this information for forensic identification and taxonomy.



**DNA Science** (entering grades 10–12) Perform lab experiments in molecular biology, culminating in the construction and cloning of recombinant DNA.

**Silencing Genomes** (DNA Science alumni entering grades 11, 12) Experience the power of RNA interference (RNAi), a Nobel-prize winning discovery that has revolutionized how genes are studied.



**BioCoding** (DNA Science alumni entering grades 11, 12) Get started in bioinformatics and computer programming (coding). No programming experience required!

#### FOUR LOCATIONS!

#### **Dolan DNA Learning Center**

334 Main Street Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

#### **DNA Learning Center West**

5 Delaware Drive - Suite 5 Lake Success, NY 11042

#### Harlem DNA Lab

2351 First Avenue at 120<sup>th</sup> St East Harlem, NY 10035

#### **Brookhaven National Lab**

Office of Educational Programs
Upton, NY 11973

**Genome Science** (DNA Science alumni entering grades 11, 12) Use biochemical and computer methods to analyze the genetics of living things.

**DNA Barcoding Research** (DNA Science alumni entering grades 11, 12) Use DNA barcoding to survey the biodiversity of an ecosystem and present your findings at the end of this two-week independent research program.

#### NEW! Being Human

(entering grades 11, 12) Connect the prehistoric world with modern human biology through anthropological labs that will get you up close and personal with your ancient ancestors.



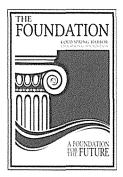
For more info about DNALC programs visit

www.dnalc.org

email dnalc@cshl.edu

phone 516-367-5170





## The Foundation Speaker Series: Mind, Body and Social Media

Presents

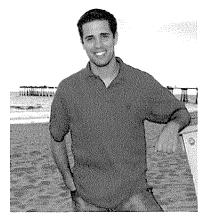
Josh Ochs, bestselling author of "Light, Bright and Polite"

Josh will join us via Skype on

MARCH 30<sup>th</sup> from 11:30-1:00pm at

LaunchPad Huntington, 315 Main Street 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup> (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 501(c)(3) organization. All denations are tax deductible; please consult your tax professional SABC Federal Tax ID #46-4686708

#### WHAT IS DEKHOCKEY? NO SKATES!

It's like street hockey -- but without the traffic! Dekhockey is a running game similar to ice hockey. played on a large rink with a low-impact plastic surface. NO BODY CHECKING ALLOWED.

Ten-game season and team shirt for only \$150 Schedules and player stats on nsdekhockey.com Hour-long games - Sat or Sun.(w/ occasional Fri) Sat/Sun start times from 9 am-5 pm Season runs late April/early May thru late June

Required equipment: Leg pads, elbow pads, gloves and hockey helmet with cage or a full shield

Discounted equipment packages available for \$150 if preordered Registration for ages 5-7, 8-10 & 11-13 now through Sunday, April 10



A not-for-profit organization

#### PAL KIDS DEKHOCKEY LEAGUES



115 Sherwood Avenue Farmingdale, NY 11735

(1 mile south of Adventureland off Route 110) Leagues also available for 14-17, Adult Men and Women!





(631)249-4412 or online at www.nsdekhockey.com

#### DEKHOCKEY REGISTRATION



Child's name :	D.O.B Age	_ Goaltender? On	? Only / Never /Want to try		
Address:		Telephone# (	)		
E-mail:	Emergency contact/telephone#:		_/(	)	

I/we, the parent(s) of the above named child, hereby give my/our consent for participation in the above activity and do claim that he/she is in perfect physical condition to participate in said activity. Furthermore, I/we, the parent(s) of the above named candidate for a position on a league team hereby give my/our approval to his/her participation in all league activities during the current season. I/we, assume all risks and hazards incidental to such participation including transportation to and from the activities; and I/we do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify and agree to hold harmless the Police Athletic League, Inc., associated organizations, the organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants and persons transporting my/our child to or from activities, for any claim arising out of an injury to my/our child, except to the extent and in the amount covered by accident liability insurance. The Suffolk County Police Athletic League has adopted a zero tolerance policy for violence. This includes physical acts of violence, threats of violence or

threatening behavior. A violation committed by any participant (player, coach, referce) parent or fan, will result in immediate expulsion from the League and a fine to the organization to which he/she belongs.

Parent(s)/Guardian Signature: Date:

Suffolk County PAL is a not-for-profit organization. This notice is distributed to students solely as a community service by the school district. Such distribution should not be considered an endorsement or approval by the district of either the sponsor or the activity.



www.nsdekhockey.com spekilockey 631–249-4412

## 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.

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!

# SAVE the DATE Tuesday. April 5th Library Vote Day! Cupcake Decorating

Have fun decorating a cupcake for the library's annual budget vote day.

## Gizmo Guys

4:30-5:30 pm

For Children of all ages and their Families Much more than a comedy juggling ace, the Giszmo Guys use world class juggling skills presented in original routines tht will amuse and amaze you! Registration required

## Maker Monday: Tinker Time

For Children in grades 3-5 Monday March 28 @ 4:30 pm

Calling all Engineers! Tinker with one-of-a-kind swappable circuits to build connections and make simple machines!

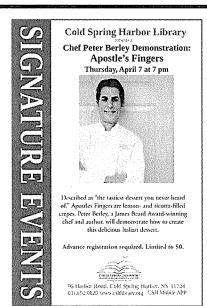
#### Top Ten Mistakes Students Make on their College Application Essays

Wednesday, March 30 @ 7:00 pm

For teens and their parents. Don't wait until the fall of senior year to discover in the midst of a hectic schedule how vital these essays are and how difficult the process can be. Let presenter Randy Levin help you to discover the purpose of the essay, learn what admission officers are looking for, and recognize errors ahead to time to avoid wasting valuable time. Registration required.

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.

# The 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



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 15<sup>th</sup></u>. Because the grouping process will begin at that time, letters received after April 15<sup>th</sup> 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