



# The Friday Notes

Our 226<sup>th</sup> Season  
December 4, 2015

## Principal's Corner

This week we kicked off our Winter Scrabble Club. The club will meet on Wednesdays during 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade lunch and recess block. Due to the 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip, our 5<sup>th</sup> graders showed up eager to participate. These students learned some new strategies for our friendly competition. The group of about twenty students challenged one another throughout the period. Both our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders took field trips down the road to the DNA Learning Center which was a continuation of the labs they have participated in this fall. The field trip included DNA extraction for 5<sup>th</sup> grade and growing genes for 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The Holiday Boutique made its way to West Side this week. Thank you to Mrs. Tepper for her planning and organization of the two-day event. Our students had the opportunity to shop for loved ones. Thank you to all of our parent volunteers who supported this event!

## Pick-Up Notes and Nameplates

We are requesting that all students bring two pick-up notes for any change in dismissal – one for the school and one for the bus driver/pick-up circle. Pick-up notes can be found on the school's website. Go to [csh.k12.ny.us](http://csh.k12.ny.us) and select West Side School under the **Our Schools** tab at the top of the page. Click on **For WSS Parents** on the left and select **Forms**. Parents have the ability to type in the information needed and print two copies. In addition, please remember to display your nameplates when picking up your child. This will help with the efficiency of our dismissal process. Thank you for your support!

## The Lion King

Our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be performing The Lion King at the Performing Arts Center on Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM and Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM. All are welcome.



## Holiday Cookie Bake

Our annual holiday cookie bake is Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. We are asking for volunteers to donate homemade cookies and/or other holiday baked goods to create platters for the West Side staff. Homemade is preferred. Not a baker? Bakery products are fine. We try to keep it as festive as possible. Too many chocolate chip in years past. Please bring 3-6 dozen homemade or bakery cookies or other tasty holiday treats to the community room between 8:00am and 10:00am on Wednesday morning. If you would like to stay to help assemble and deliver please let me know. This usually takes about an hour. Baked goods should be delivered on disposable trays. Any questions please email Gina at [spartangirl300@gmail.com](mailto:spartangirl300@gmail.com). Please put HOLIDAY COOKIE BAKE in subject. Thank you in advance for your help. HAPPY BAKING!!!

## Holiday Toy Drive

The annual drive to help our neighbors at Helping Hands Mission is earlier this year than usual. We request donations be made by December 7<sup>th</sup> and wrapping will take place during recess December 8<sup>th</sup>. As always, all are welcome to come in and help the kids wrap. Any help for wrapping would be much appreciated. If you would like to contribute, the needs are as follows:

**Mrs. Agnello:** Boys 6-8, a small toys like legos, action figure, or stuffed animal and a craft item like crayons, markers, paper

**Mr. Arloff:** Boys 6-8, hat, scarf mitten set

**Dr. Dawkins:** Boys 6-8 hat, scarf, mittens set

**Mrs. DeRosa:** Boys 9-12 small toy like Legos, action figure, matchbox cars and craft items like crayons and markers

**Mrs. Dopico:** Boys 9-12 hat, scarf, mitten set

**Mrs. Dudek:** Girls 0-2 small toy or stuffed animal

**Mr. Farmer:** Girls 0-2 hat and mitten set

**Mrs. Gerver:** Girls 6-8 small toy and small craft items like crayons and markers

**Mrs. Manning:** Girls 6-8 hat, scarf, mitten set

**Mrs. Ryan:** Girls 9-12 small toy or age appropriate make-up/perfume/lotion and small craft item

**Mrs. Santoro:** Girls 9-12 hat, scarf, gloves set

Thanks and Happy Holidays!!!!

West Side Kids Care

### **FOCUS**

FOCUS and the District Office Present: a panel discussion "Learning Standards: What Does it All Mean for My Child?" is postponed to Tuesday, January 27, 2016. More details will follow.

### **Recess Volunteers**

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

### **Yearbook**

**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! Thank you, and enjoy the rest of the school year!

*The Yearbook Staff will review all photos and determine final yearbook content. We cannot guarantee that all submissions can be used in the book.*

### **Upcoming Events**

<b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip: Lloyd Manor House</b>	Monday, December 7 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Board of Ed Meeting</b>	Tuesday, December 8 <sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM at District Office
<b>Holiday Cookie Bake</b>	Wednesday, December 9 <sup>th</sup> in the Community Room
<b>Colonial Day – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>	Friday, December 11 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Tech Week – The Lion King</b>	December 14 – 18 at the PAC
<b>SIT</b>	Thursday, December 17 <sup>th</sup> at 3:30 PM
<b>The Lion King Performance</b>	Saturday, December 19 <sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the PAC
<b>The Lion King Performance</b>	Sunday, December 20 <sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM at the PAC
<b>West Side Wednesday</b>	December 23 <sup>rd</sup>
<b>Winter Recess</b>	December 24 – January 3
<b>Students Return</b>	Monday, January 4 <sup>th</sup>

### **Attachments from the School**

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**COLD SPRING HARBOR HIGH SCHOOL  
BOOSTER CLUB  
VARSITY GIRLS LACROSSE SKILLS CLINIC  
DIRECTED BY VARSITY GIRLS PLAYERS AND COACHES**



**DATE: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22ND, 2015**

**TIME: 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM**

**PLACE: LONG ISLAND SPORTS HUB  
165 EILEEN WAY, SYOSSET, NY 11791**

**FOR: K THRU 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS**

**COST: \$40**

**SIGN UPS: PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO:  
[DCASTELLANE@CSH.K12.NY.US](mailto:DCASTELLANE@CSH.K12.NY.US) TO HOLD A  
SPOT. SPACE IS LIMITED DUE TO FACILITY.**

**REGISTRATION WILL TAKE PLACE STARTING 30 MINUTES  
PRIOR. PRE-REGISTRATION - MONEY OR CHECK MAY BE  
BROUGHT TO THE ATHLETIC OFFICE. CHECKS MADE  
PAYABLE TO THE SEAHAWKS ATHLETICS BOOSTER CLUB.**

THE CLINIC IS A FUNDRAISER FOR THE GIRL'S LACROSSE PROGRAM AND A WAY FOR YOUTH PLAYERS TO ENHANCE THEIR SKILLS AS WELL AS GAIN SOME EXPOSURE TO THE TEACHING TECHNIQUES AT THE HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL. ONE IMPORTANT FUNDAMENTAL IN ESTABLISHING A COMPETITIVE HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM IS THE DEVELOPMENT AT THE YOUTH LEVEL. OUR CLINIC IS DESIGNED TO ENHANCE SKILL LEVEL AS WELL AS TO BEGIN BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH FUTURE PLAYERS WHO WILL HELP MAINTAIN THE TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE THAT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED WITH THE CSH GIRLS LACROSSE PROGRAM. WE ARE VERY MUCH LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE FUTURE STARS OF OUR PROGRAM.

**QUESTIONS: EMAIL DANIELLE CASTELLANE  
[DCASTELLANE@CSH.K12.NY.US](mailto:DCASTELLANE@CSH.K12.NY.US)**

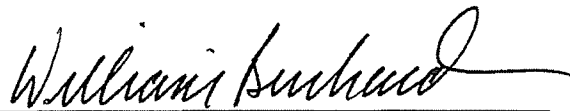
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**COLD SPRING HARBOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
*75 Goose Hill Road, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724*

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

Please be advised that a regular meeting of the Board of Education will take place on December 8, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. at The Francis Roberts Community Center, at which time the Board of Education may consider a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss matters appropriate for Executive Session. If no such motion is adopted, the meeting will recess until 8:00 p.m.

At 8:00 p.m., the Board of Education will reconvene its public meeting to discuss Board Agenda items appropriate for Public Session, pursuant to the Open Meetings Law.



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William Bernhard, District Clerk

# Laura Schroff, New York Times bestselling author of 'An Invisible Thread', is coming to Cold Spring Harbor!

The Cold Spring Harbor Jr/Sr High School CFA is very excited to announce that Laura Schroff will be the speaker at this year's Literary Luncheon. The luncheon will be held on April 6, 2016 at the Huntington Country Club.

"Complex and unswervingly honest, inspirational... this book is capable of restoring our faith in each other."  
—CATHERINE REYNOLDS, author of *Pay It Forward* and *Jumpstart the World*



NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

## an INVISIBLE THREAD

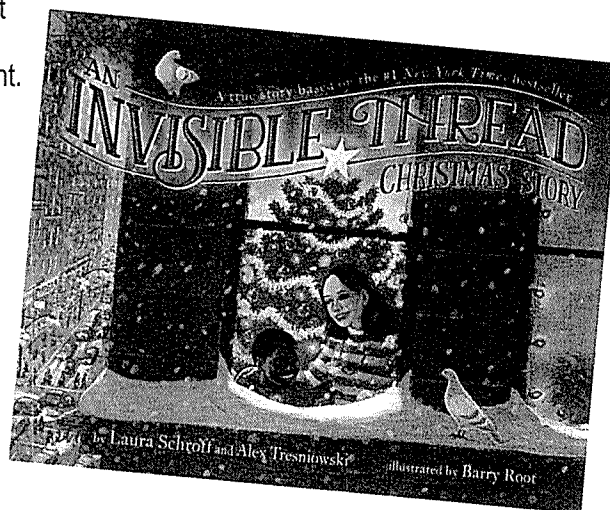
THE TRUE STORY OF  
an 11-year-old panhandler, a busy sales executive,  
and an unlikely meeting with destiny



LAURA SCHROFF and ALEX TRESNIOWSKI

A great read for both teens and adults, 'An Invisible Thread' tells the remarkable true story of Laura's lifelong friendship with Maurice who she met when he was just eleven years old and needed money for food. One small act of kindness changed both their lives forever.

Now, in this sweet picture book, Laura retells the first Christmas that she and Maurice spent together. This heartwarming tale captures the true meaning of the holidays and will be one you'll want to share with your family year after year, as a reminder that a gift from the heart is always the best present.



## Don't miss this chance to purchase these heartwarming books for the Holidays!

Please indicate the number of books you would like to order:

An Invisible Thread (Paperback)

\_\_\_\_\_ copies @ \$12 each = \$\_\_\_\_\_

An Invisible Thread Christmas Story (Children's Book)

\_\_\_\_\_ copies @ \$14 each = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher/Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_** Please return order forms to your school office by **Friday, December 11th**  
Checks should be made payable to: CSH CFA. The books will be delivered to your child's school to go home via backpack.

**All are welcome to attend the Literary Luncheon, invitations will be sent out in February.**  
**Please list your name & address below if you would like to receive an invitation to this year's Literary Luncheon.**

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Please contact Monica Stingi at [mdstingi@hotmail.com](mailto:mdstingi@hotmail.com) with any questions.

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

Cold Spring Harbor Library Signature Events Present

# **Nutcracker in a Nutshell**

## **Performed by the LIBallet Theatre**

**Sunday, December 6, 2:30 p.m.**

A narrated presentation of The Nutcracker as performed by professional and student dancers. Children will be invited to help tell the story and 'dance' on stage with the cast.

Move to the music of this holiday favorite!  
Advance registration requested.



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

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