



The Friday Notes

Our 226th Season
January 15, 2016

Principal's Corner

January is an exciting time in library. The American Library Association announced its winners for the Caldecott, Newbery and other book awards. Second graders predicted *Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear*, by Lindsay Mattick would win the Caldecott, and it did! The sixth grade WSSbery Book Club predicted *The War That Saved My Life*, by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley would win the Newbery; it won the Newbery Honor! (*Last Stop on Market Street*, by Matt de la Pena won the Newbery Award). Well done West Side readers! Congratulations to our sixth graders who are in first place in our LightSail Reading Challenge. After the first week, these students had logged over 6,000 minutes of reading! Fifth grade is in second place with fourth grade close behind! Keep up the good work! On Friday, third and fourth graders participated in cultural arts workshops called Story Faces. Christopher Agostino, our artist/storyteller, shared original and cultural stories that inspired audience members and participants. During each presentation, various students were selected to have their faces painted to further enhance a story. Congratulations to our fifth and sixth graders who were selected to perform at the 2016 Nassau All-County Music Festival: Alexa Zahtila, Sam Adler, Jack Henick, Lukas Henick, Jack Jusko, Karoline Milhim, Isabelle Apostolakas, Jackie Shammah, and Peter Moynihan. Finally, thank you to our second grade parents who participated in our writing celebration this morning.

5th and 6th Grade Winter Concert

The 5th and 6th grade winter concert will be held at the PAC on Tuesday, January 19th at 7:00 PM.

6th Grade Maturation

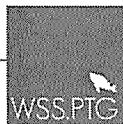
Our 6th graders will participate in maturation workshops led by Mr. Homer and Ms. Parent next Thursday, January 21st. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Newest Version of LightSail (3.1.2.1) Now Available

Please note that LightSail just released a new version (3.1.2.1). If your child is having difficulty at home, please ask him or her to download the update in the Apple App Store. IOS 8 or higher is necessary for the download.

Kindergarten Registration

If your preschool child will be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2016, he/she is eligible for kindergarten in September 2016. Please contact the District Registrar, Gloria Albert (631 367-5910) to ensure that your child's name appears on the District census. Only those families whose child's name appears on the census will receive a registration packet from the Superintendent. Registration begins in February.



Save the Date

There will be a joint mixer with sixth grade West Side and Lloyd Harbor students at Bounce on Sunday 1/24/16 from 5-7pm. More details to come!

Movie Night




Please join us on Friday, January 22nd @ 5pm for the showing of *Hotel Transylvania 2*. Enjoy pizza and popcorn while you watch a great movie with friends. Dress in PJ's and don't forget your pillow! This event is for WSS students and their siblings only. Parental supervision is required for all attending. **NO DROP-OFFS PLEASE!!** All students will have a chance to win a raffle prize. Students must be in attendance in order to be eligible to win a prize. Any questions, please contact Rita McCarey at rmccarey@gmail.com. See you at the movie!

West Side – Lloyd Harbor 6th Grade Get Together

ATTENTION ALL 6TH GRADERS: Join your future classmates for some bouncing fun and pizza at Bounce! Sunday, January 24th from 5-7 pm. \$25 admission. Participation slips will be sent home via backpack.

FOCUS

FOCUS Presents a Workshop: Conquering School Anxiety -- Tips for Parents & Students. Special Guest Speaker Meredyth D. Kravitz, Psy.D. will:

-  Offer test taking tips
-  Teach us what to say to help our kids stay calm and relaxed
-  Help us learn to be better prepared for tests

Please join us Wednesday, January 27th at 9:00am in the Goosehill Community Room. Light breakfast will be served.

Upcoming Events

MLK Holiday – No School	Monday, January 18 th
5th & 6th Grade Winter Concert	Tuesday, January 19 th at 7:00 PM at the PAC
Movie Night	Friday, January 22 nd at 5:00 PM at WSS (No drop-offs please.)
FOCUS Presentation	Wednesday, January 27 th at 9:00 AM at Goosehill
SIT	Thursday, January 28 th at 3:30 PM

Attachments from the School

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THE ONLY THING SCARIER THAN BEING A MONSTER IS BABYSITTING ONE

HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA 2



DATE: Friday, January 22nd **TIME:** 5 p.m.

LOCATION:
West Side School

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OPERATION GRATITUDE

West Side Kids Care will be collecting items to send to our brave men and women who are on active duty in the military. If your family would like to participate, please send a small personal item to school with your child before **Monday February 1**. This is a great opportunity to discuss what it means to serve our country with your child and how much these small items might mean to a soldier who is away from home and family. Suggestions are included below but the entire list of requested items can be seen at: www.operationgratitude.com/wishlist

- men & women's socks
- gum
- lip balm
- toothpaste & toothbrushes
- individual packets of towelettes
- hand & foot warmers
- mini-flashlights with extra batteries

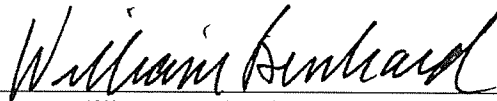
Students will be invited to make Valentines and thank you cards during recess on Feb. 2 to include with these care packages.

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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 meeting of the Cold Spring Harbor Capital Projects Committee will take place on January 20, 2016, at 8:30 a.m. at The Francis Roberts Community Center.



William Bernhard, District Clerk

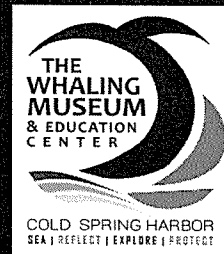
STAR WARZ PARTY!

MON, JAN 18 | 1-4 pm

Explore celestial navigation at sea, create Jabba slime, meet a Star Wars character, plus lots more themed crafts! Drop in any time between 1-4pm. All ages welcome.

\$1 OFF ANY EVENT

Present this postcard for \$1 off any event mentioned on this postcard, including on the reverse, excluding camp. This postcard may be used for up to 2 admission tickets.



SEA | REFLECT | EXPLORE | PROTECT

MORE EVENTS 4 KIDS

at The Whaling Museum & Education Center of Cold Spring Harbor

January 2016

PECULIAR PENGUINS

SAT, JAN 30 | 2:30 pm

Celebrate National Penguin Awareness Day with explorations and crafts about penguins & frosty friends.



February Break

OCEAN EXPLORERS CAMP

MON-FRI, FEB 15-19 • 9:30-1pm

Dive into the world of our best-loved camp as we explore sharks, whales, and lots of ocean creatures with games, crafts, experiments, and activities.

Grades K-3.

Crew Leader: Gr 4.

CITS: 8th Gr & Up

(Community Service).

Sibling discount.

Registration Online by Feb 8.

February 2016

SAILOR'S VALENTINES

SATURDAY, FEB 13 • 1-2 pm or 2:30-3:30pm

In honor of Valentine's Day, create a Sailor's Valentine, a beautiful shell mosaic based on the gifts sailors brought home from the Caribbean in the 1800s.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY!

MONDAY, FEB 15 • 11:30-12:30 pm or 1:30-

2:30 pm You are cordially invited to a birthday party for our Founding Father! Learn about whaling during colonial times, explore fun colonial toys, make a fun tin-punching craft, and enjoy birthday cake!

TOOTHPALOOZA!

SUNDAY, FEB 21 • 12-3 PM

It's National Children's Dental Health Month. Come touch whale teeth, hunt for shark teeth, see a whale tooth cavity, meet the Tooth Fairy, learn facts about teeth at our craft stations, create a keepsake box for your baby teeth, and enjoy face painting.

BUILD A BOAT! WORKSHOP

TUES-FRI, FEB 116-

19 • 2-4 pm

Stop in this week to freely imagine, design, and build a wooden vessel to take home.

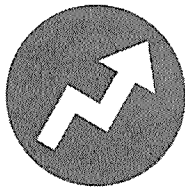
Adult and children both welcome!



LOTS MORE ONLINE!

279 MAIN STREET COLD SPRING HARBOR, NY 11724
(631) 367-3418 CSHWHALINGMUSEUM.ORG

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



Meet the Editor

Tuesday, January 19th, 7pm

For kids in grades 5-12

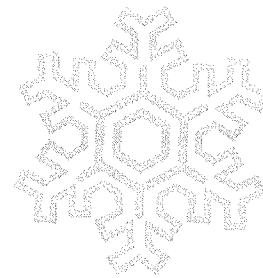
Are you an aspiring writer?
Meet BuzzFeed editor Arianna Rebolini and learn about freelance writing and what it's like to work at the popular web site. Registration is requested.

Mixed Media Snow Paintings

Monday, January 18th 2pm

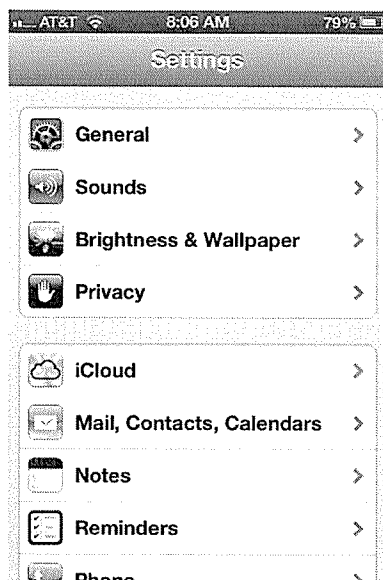
For children in grades K-6

Create a masterpiece using watercolors and salt 'snow.'



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



Basic iPad & iPhone Settings
Wednesday, January 20 at 2pm

Our instructor will give you an overview of iPhones and iPads, and a detailed look at how you can activate and change your device's settings. Q&A follows. This program is free and open to all. Advance registration is requested.

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



January 12, 2016

Dear Sixth Grade Parents:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that next week your sixth grade child will be studying the topics of **maturation, human growth, and development**. On Thursday, January 21st, the boys and girls will meet separately. The girls will meet with Ms. Parent, their teachers and Ms. Schaul, and the boys will meet with Mr. Simon and Mr. Homer who teaches Health at the Junior High.

This unit of study is a continuation of our fifth grade program and will further explore the maturation process which includes the topics of growing up physically, emotionally and socially. During this unit, emotional maturity is defined, responsible behaviors and relationships are discussed, and the importance of setting personal and family goals is recognized.

Our health program, The Great Body Shop, as well as our district philosophy, encourages your child to turn to you for further information on the topics from discussions lead by his or her teacher. It is important that your child know an adult is willing to discuss this material, and our in-school classes are a wonderful springboard for this dialogue to begin or continue at home.

Sincerely,

Kurt A. Simon, Principal
Christine Parent, Health Teacher
Sixth Grade Teachers