

Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes-November 18, 2016



Dear Parents,

Thank you to the GPFA Board for organizing our Food Drive and to our teachers and parents for helping to fill the boxes with everything a family will need for Thanksgiving dinner. The boxes will be delivered this weekend to the Helping Hands Mission in Huntington Station. This activity was an important one for our students, as it prompted discussions about *gratitude and caring for others*. Through such discussions, children can become more sensitive to the needs of others and begin to develop empathy. It helps them to recognize that their parents and other people do many things for them –provide a comfortable home, prepare dinner, buy them toys, help them learn---for which they can be grateful. They can begin to learn that not everyone may be as fortunate as they are and that sharing and helping others "feels good inside." In *Raising Happiness: 10 Simple Steps for More Joyful Kids and Happier Parents*, by Christine Carter, the author cites numerous studies that show the positive effects of helping others- people who are kind and helpful live longer, happier lives and experience less anxiety and depression.

If you would like to continue the discussion about gratitude with your child, the children's books below will prompt conversation about all there is in life to be grateful for, including nature, people, and everyday things.

An Awesome Book of Thanks by Dallas Clayton- Inspired by the idea of being thankful for all that you have, An Awesome Book of Thanks! is a beautifully written, fantastically illustrated walk through a world of magical unicorns, robotic dinosaurs, and all of life's simple moments, great and small. Crafted for children ages 0-1000, this timeless story is sure to be an instant classic, at home in the hands of anyone looking for the perfect reminder of just how beautiful life can be.

The Thankful Book by Todd Parr- Parr explores the idea of gratitude in this picture book:
"Every day I try to think about the things I am thankful for." Those "things" include personal characteristics-"I am thankful for my hair because it makes me unique"; music- "because it makes me want to dance"; nature, and so on. Readers are sure to get a laugh out of the notion of being thankful for underwear-"because I like to wear it on my head." Parr's signature illustrations employ bold outlines and bright colors and feature an array of characters both human and animal. The theme is ripe for discussion about readers' own "I'm thankful for" ideas.

Bear Says Thanks by Karma Wilson- Wilson does it again in this new installment about Bear and his forest friends. This time Bear is bored and wants to throw a party. When he discovers that he has nothing in his cupboards with which to whip up a feast, he becomes despondent. But his trusty pals come to the rescue, all offering up something for the festivities. Bear is thankful for their generosity but still feels sad that he has nothing to make. Once again, his friends help him understand how much he is loved by telling him that his stories are the most valuable contribution to the party. The illustrations are as detailed as ever, and children will want to reach out and hug Bear because he is so fluffy and welcoming. The rhymes are pleasing to the ear and move the story along. This is a great choice when discussing gratitude, sharing, or thanks.

<u>Splat Says Thank you</u> by Rob Scotton-Splat the Cat's trusty mouse friend, Seymour, needs cheering up, and Splat wants to help. He's been working on something special for Seymour—not just a thank-you card but a thank-you book! His book lists all the sweet and often hilarious reasons Splat is thankful for their friendship.

Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Reading!----Lynn Herschlein

Thanksgiving Recess

We have <u>full days of school</u> on Monday and Tuesday, November 21st and 22nd. We return to school on Monday, November 28th. Since it is a short week, we will not be distributing notes next week.



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Important Dates

December 7th - GPFA Meeting- Topic: Discipline

- Lunch-recess Volunteer Training immediately after meeting (10:30)

December 14th - Cookie Bake—PLEASE NOTE this is a change of date!

Looking for something educational and fun to do with the kids this weekend?

How about a NATIVE AMERICAN FEAST! Visit Garvies Point on Saturday and Sunday 10-4 (50 Barry Dr., Glen Cove) Join our celebration of northeastern Native American culture held annually the weekend before Thanksgiving. Participants can enjoy hands-on activities including pottery making, primitive fire-building and on-site cooking demonstrations with authentic Native American food sampling, artifacts and tool technology, face painting with natural pigments, and use of the atlatl for spear throwing. Native American films will be shown hourly. Activities ongoing from 10 am - 4 pm. Fun for families, all ages welcome. Special program fee: \$5.00 per person (4 & under free with adult).

School Website- Goosehill ListServ

Please be sure you have signed up to receive these notes and the attachments listed in the Table of Contents via your Inbox. Go to www.csh.k12.ny.us and click on **Email Signup** on the left side (Quick Links). **Complete** all information and then scroll down to choose the ListServs you wish to join. Be sure to click **Sign Me Up** when you're finished!

GPFA Updates

Parents Night Out

Again, thank you for all of your support and and generous contributions which made Parents Night Out a great success. A fun time was had by all! A special thanks to all the volunteers; Janine Mullen, Angela LoBianco, Jennifer Cahn, Jonna Wenzel, Maryann Lombardo, Amy Macaluso, Shannon Millett, Kate Vivalo, Rebecca Goodkin-Carlin, Valarie McLain, Deserie Saunders, Meredyth Kravitz, Laurie Howley, Brenna Benvenuti, Emily Canzoneri and Annette Comber.

GPFA Meeting

The next GPFA meeting will be held at 9:30am at Goosehill on <u>December 7th</u>. Mrs. Herschlein will be speaking about Goosehill's Social Emotional Learning program and our approach to discipline. We encourage all parents to attend. Lunch/Recess Volunteer training will be immediately after the meeting.

Goosehill Holiday Bake

It's time for Holiday Baking! The GPFA will again be wrapping plates of baked goods to thank all of the wonderful staff members that work at our school. Please consider helping out by baking (or buying!) cookies or baked goods. We will also need volunteers to help assemble and wrap the plates the morning of **December 14th.** If you are interested you can sign up at http://signup.com/go/hYW7Hn. Please contact Chloe Henning at chenning 81@gmail.com with any questions.

Summer 2017 Youth Basketball Program

20th YEAR

WEEKDAY, EVENINGS ONLY, INTRAMURAL PROGRAM JUNE -- AUGUST, 2017

Mixed Boys/Girls Evening Intramural Leagues
Instructional • Private Training

BASKETBALL IN HOUSE REGISTRATION

@ West Hollow Middle School, 250 Old East Neck Road, Melville

Tuesday April 4, 2017 6 PM – 9 PM Wednesday April 5, 2017 6 PM – 9 PM

Open to students entering grades K-12th & beyond in September, 2017.

Also, the highly successful, adult leagues where players compete at higher levels (A/B or C).

DON'T GET SHUT OUT OR DELAY, REGISTER NOW!!

Fees: Registration: (10/1/16 thru 4/30/17 postmarked): No Exceptions

1ST child: \$225; each add'l child \$200 Late Registration: (after 4/30/17 postmarked)

1st child: \$250; each add'l child \$225

Late/late Registration (after May 31, 2017 postmarked) Each application \$275; no second child discount

If your child participated in the 2016 summer program, he/she has already been rated. If not, please have them, and their friends, dress in proper athletic attire. If you can not attend registration and wish to avoid a late fee, please send a completed registration form on or before April 30, 2017, with applicable fee, to HHHYBL, P.O. Box 227, Huntington Station, N.Y. 11746. New registrants will be evaluated later. If you require additional information on the youth basketball program, the new adult men's league (different levels), e-mail Dennis: @ cmish11746@gmail.com. Website: www.hillsbasketball.com

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Please make checks payable to "HHHYBL" (a nonprofit 501C3 entity)

www.hillsbasketball.com (application on reverse) Dennis 258 7604

HHHYBL - SUMMER



Application

All applications must be accompanied by payment in full based on the following:

Registration: Thru April 30, 2017, \$225 1st child, additional children: \$200.

After April 30, 2017, \$250 1st child, additional children \$225. After May 31, 2017 \$275 each applicant No refunds. No exceptions Please make all checks payable to "HHHYBL" Send to:HHHYBL, P.O. Box 227, Huntington Station, N.Y. 11746

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

THANKSGIVING STORY & CRAFT
Monday, Nov. 21, 10:30 am
For children ages 2-5
with adult

Celebrate Thanksgiving with stories and a fun craft.

Registration required.

SNACKS & A MOVIE
Friday, Nov. 25 , 2:00 pm
For Everyone
Come to the Library for a big

screen showing of

Angry Birds! (97 Min, rated PG)



JUMPBUNCH: PRESCHOOL FOOTBALL

Tuesday, November 22, 11:00 a.m. For children ages 3-5 with adult

Join the JumpBunch for an interactive program that will introduce your preschooler to sports and fitness. This program is filled with movement, child-friendly equipment, and lots of fun! This month's sport is football.

Registration required.

TEEN & IN BETWEEN FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 5-12 EVERYTHING BUT THE TURKEY

Monday, November 21, 7:00 p.m.

Learn how to make Classic Stuffing, Broccoli Cornbread Casserole and Homemade Cranberry Chutney for Thanksgiving.

Everyone will go home with a 7 inch round Broccoli Cornbread Casserole to bake in the oven.

Happy Thanksgiving!

The library will be closing at 1:00 pm on Wednesday Nov. 23 and will be closed all day on Nov. 24 (Thanksgiving)

For more information about any Kids 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

HOLIDAY CHOCOLATES COOKING DEMO & TASTING Saturday, December 3 at 1pm



Lucy Van Horn will demonstrate creating chocolates suitable for desserts and/or gifts. Items on the menu include tropical chocolate candies and homemade chocolate-covered marzipan enclosed in dates. You will also learn how to make chocolate boxes and angel lollipops. Bring your appetite and a bag or box for extras.

Open to adults & young adults ages 16+. Max: 20 students.

Fee: \$5 cash or check, payable to the CSH Library.

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 - 6 pm Season runs thru early February

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, November 27



A not-for-profit organization

PAL KIDS DEKHOCKEY LEAGUES



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 WREGISTRATION

Child's name :	D.O.B Age _	Goaltender? O	nly / Neve	er /Want	to try
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amed 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, referee) 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:

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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 13, 2016, at 5:00 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.

William Bernhard, District Clerk