

Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes-December 23, 2016



Dear Parents,

It's been a busy and exciting week for the children! At our Spirit Day Assembly yesterday, we enjoyed a performance of **The Nutcracker**, composed and directed by first grader Christopher Coco. He and his friends Anthi Tsafos, Zoey Eisenegger, Ben Neri, Molly Yulico, Mia Damast, Aeryn O'Rourke, Ava McKean, Colbie Canty, Julia Cortese, Anthony Duke, Beckett Bertsch, and Owen Zarboutis created scenery, made props and rehearsed during many recess periods to prepare for the performance. They all did a terrific job and delighted the audience! It was wonderful to see children show such initiative and commitment to a creative project.

Our Sing-along today was a lot of fun. The children sang with such exuberance! We enjoyed traditional Hanukkah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa songs and the first grade children also learned Auld Lang Syne and sang it for us in celebration of the New Year. Thank you to Mrs. Kotzky for teaching the children all of the holiday songs and serving as our accompanist.

I hope you will enjoy some quiet time with your children over the upcoming break. I encourage you to include some family reading time as often as you can. Without the pressures of school schedules and homework, it is a perfect time for parents and children to settle into a good book together. It is not just the act of reading that benefits children. It is also the feeling that you create when you snuggle up with them, immerse yourselves in a story, talk about characters' traits and actions, and make connections to people and events in your own lives. Conversations about stories help children learn the power of the written word—to create images and feelings in our minds and hearts.

The teachers, staff, and I want to thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our school community. We appreciate all you do to help your children grow and develop as the special, caring young people they are.

To our families celebrating Hanukkah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa next week, we wish you a joyous holiday!

We wish all our families peace, joy, and a New Year filled with health and happiness!

Warm regards,

Lynn Herschlein



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Important Dates

Winter Recess- December 24- January 2

School reopens on Tuesday, January 3rd

January 11- GPFA Meeting

January 16- MLK, Jr. Day - No school

January 26- Kindergarten Family Fun Night

February 2- First Grade Family Fun Night



Game Day at Goosehill

Today the children had an opportunity to play a game with children from different classes! Every staff member led a game with four children who were randomly assigned to play together. The children received Game Day tickets and played Trouble, Candyland, Set, Jr., Go Fish, Chutes and Ladders, Memory, Bingo, Quick Cups, or Pop the Pig. We emphasized good sportsmanship, turn-taking, and encouraging each other. What fun we had!

School Communication via TEXT Message

Our School District Communication system utilizes a telephone ALL-CALL system to notify parents about events, such as the posting of report cards and emergency school closings. If you wish to also be contacted by text to your cell phone, you can subscribe to the system by texting the word **SUBSCRIBE** to **68453** and following Text notification prompts.

NOTE THAT IF YOU DO NOT SUBSCRIBE TO THE TEXTING SYSTEM, YOU WILL STILL RECEIVE VOICE CALLS FOR ALL-CALLS THAT GO OUT.

Outdoor Recess

Please send your child to school with a warm coat, hat, and gloves. Recess is outdoors whenever possible! PLEASE remember to label everything!

GPFA Updates

Goosehill Holiday Bake

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Goosehill Holiday Bake—the baskets looked amazing!!!!!! A special thank you to Chloe Henning for taking the lead as the chairperson and making it all come together.

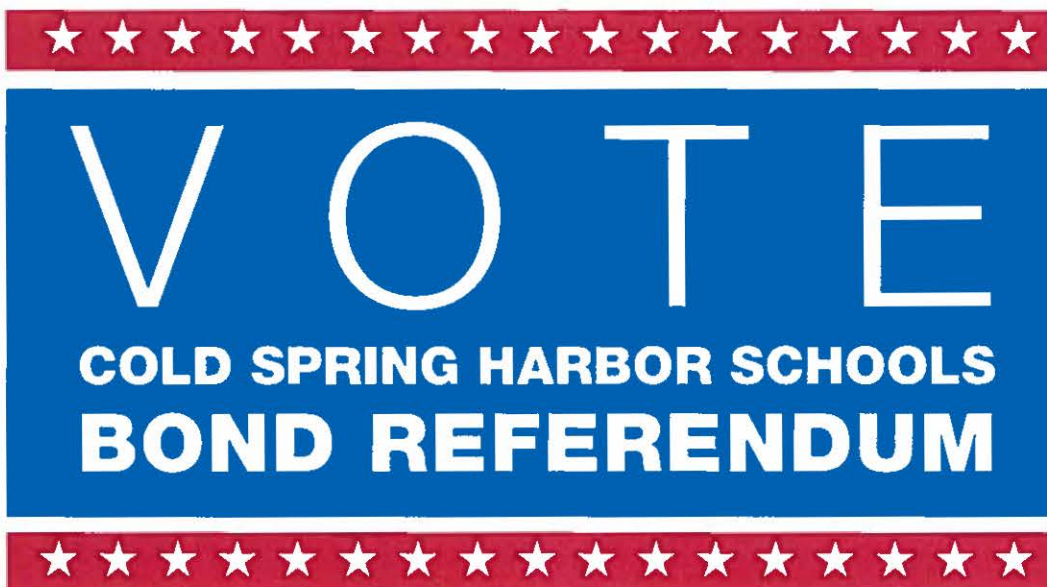
Family Fun Nights

Mark your calendars for our upcoming family fun nights! The Kindergarten Family Fun Night will be held on Thursday, January 26th at 6pm and the kids will be entertained by Magic of Alexo. The First Grade Family Fun Night will be held on Thursday, February 2nd at 6pm with Bubblemania! Siblings are welcome. \$10 per family will be collected at the door.

Rewards Programs

With holiday shopping just around the corner we wanted to remind you about local rewards programs benefitting Goosehill. Value Drug will donate 3% of your purchases to Goosehill. Cards were distributed at the tea for you to use OR you can simply mention that you want to donate your purchase to Goosehill and the cashier will scan a card for you. If you have a Target Credit Card or Target MasterCard account you can sign up for the Take Charge of Education program and Target will donate 1% of your purchase to Goosehill. Simply call 1-800-316-6142, visit target.com/tcoe or go to an in-store kiosk to designate Goosehill as your school (ID 75783). Please contact Bessi Mavronicolas at bessima@yahoo.com with any questions about these programs.





BOND REFERENDUM JANUARY 18, 2017

The Board of Education has approved a resolution to present to the district voters a proposed bond to construct a 9,798 sq. foot Physical Education Center at the Jr./Sr. High School.

- The proposal will be a \$4.8 million bond to be funded over 20 years. The annual budgetary impact would be approximately \$98 for the average tax payer.
- This facility will be used primarily for the Jr./Sr. High School physical education program for all students in grades 7 through 12.
- More detailed information is available on the district website (www.csh.k12.ny.us)
- A Bond Brochure will be mailed to the community before the scheduled vote in January with further details.

(Voting will take place in the high school field house
from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. on January 18, 2017.

Residents may vote in person or by absentee ballots)

Nassau Athletic and Activity Programs, Inc. (NAAP)

A 501c3 Non-Profit Organization

Winter 2017 Registration for All Programs!

(K-3) (4th-9th) (9th-12th) (Parents and Other Adults)



Self Defense (Grades K-5)

Location: Zanshin Self Defense

334 Jackson Avenue, Syosset, NY 11791

Saturdays: 2:30pm-3:15pm

Session 3: Feb 4, 11, 18; March 4, 11, 18, 25; April 1

Session 4: April 8, 22, 29; May 6, 13, 20; June 3, 10

No Uniform Needed!

\$140 for 8 (45) minute group lessons



Tennis Lessons (Grades K-3, 4-9, 9-12, Parents/Adults)

Location: Jericho-Westbury Indoor Tennis

44 Jericho Turnpike, Jericho, NY 11753

Fridays: Session 3: Jan 6, 13, 20, 27; Feb 3, 10

Session 4: Feb 17; March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

(K-9 are all 7pm-8pm) (9-12 & Parents/Adults are all 8pm-9pm)

Saturdays: Session 3: Jan 7, 14, 21, 28; Feb 4, 11

Session 4: Feb 18; March 4, 11, 18, 25; April 1

(K-3rd: 12pm-1pm, 1pm-2pm, 2pm-3pm, 3pm-4pm)

(4th-9th: 3pm-4pm, 4pm-5pm; 9th-12th: 5pm-6pm)

Sundays: Session 3: Jan 8, 15, 22, 29; Feb 5, 12

Session 4: Feb 19; March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2

(K-3rd: 3pm-4pm, 4pm-5pm) (4th-9th: 3pm-4pm, 4pm-5pm) (9th-12th: 5pm-6pm, 6pm-7pm)

\$160 for 6 (1) hour Group Lessons. Please sign up early, and bring your own racquet!

Tennis Lessons **Small Groups**

Location: Jericho-Westbury Indoor Tennis

44 Jericho Turnpike, Jericho, NY 11753

Session 3: Jan 15, 22, 29; Feb 5, 12, 19

Session 4: March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9

(K-3rd: 5pm-6pm) (4th-9th: 5pm-6pm) (9th-12th: 5pm-6pm) (Parents/Adults: 5pm-6pm)

Beginners: \$250 for 6 (1) hour group lessons (must have 4 and only 4 students)

Or

Make Your Own Group: \$250 for 6 (1) hour group lessons (must have 4 and only 4 students)



Tennis Lessons (K-3rd & 4th-9th)

Location: Glen Head Racquet Club
95 Glen Head Road, Glen Head, NY 11545
5:00pm-6:00pm

Saturdays: Session 3: Jan 14, 21, 28; Feb 4, 11, 18
Session 4: March 4, 11, 18, 25; April 1, 8

Sundays: Session 3: Jan 15, 22, 29; Feb 5, 12, 19
Session 4: March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9

\$160 for 6 (1) hour Group Lessons. Please sign up early, and bring your own racquet!

**Tennis Lessons (K-3rd, 4th-9th, 9th-12th)**

Location: SporTime Roslyn (NEW LOCATON!**)**
1 Landing Road, Roslyn, NY 11576
1:00pm-2:00pm or 2:00pm-3:00pm

Sundays: Session 1: Jan 8, 15, 22, 29; Feb 5, 12
Session 2: Feb 19, March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2

\$160 for 6 (1) hour Group Lessons. Please sign up early, and bring your own racquet!

Register at one of the Following Locations and Dates:**Jericho-Westbury Indoor Tennis**

44 Jericho Turnpike, Jericho, NY 11753
December 2, 5, 7, 9, 14, 16 from 6:30pm-7:30pm
December 3, 4, 10, 11 from 1:00pm-3:00pm

Glen Head Racquet Club

95 Glen Head Road, Glen Head, NY 11545
December 6th and 13th from 6:30pm-7:30pm

SporTime Roslyn

1 Landing Road, Roslyn, NY 11576
December 8th and 15th from 6:30pm-7:30pm



For Further Information, Contact Jim Collins at (516) 384-5751

No Credit Cards Accepted

All Programs Continue Through the Entire School Year, and into the Summer Months!!!



Please visit us on Facebook: www.Facebook.com/NAAPInc

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COUNCILWOMAN SUSAN A. BERLAND

& The Huntington Youth Council

proudly sponsor the

2016 Holiday Pet Food Drive

Donations Can Be Dropped Off At:

Huntington Town Hall

100 Main Street
Huntington, NY 11743

Huntington Animal Shelter

106 Deposit Road
East Northport, NY 11731



Cold Spring Harbor Library

95 Harbor Road
Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

Doggie Don's Long Island Pet Center

128 Laurel Road
East Northport, NY 11731

Half Hollow Hills Community Library

55 Vanderbilt Parkway
Dix Hills, NY 11746

Selmer's Pet Land

125 E. Jericho Turnpike
South Huntington, NY 11743

Please Donate By: Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017

Contact 631-351-3173 For More Details

All proceeds will be Donated to The Harry Chapin Food Bank & Humanitarian Center



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COLD SPRING HARBOR LIBRARY STUDY BUDDIES HOMEWORK HELP

For students in grades 3-6
Wednesdays, 3:30 p.m.— 6:00 p.m.
Thursdays, 4:30 p.m. — 6:30 p.m.
One-hour sessions available from
January 11 — February 16



Teen volunteers will give support, assistance,
and encouragement to children in 3rd through
6th grade who need a little
extra help with their homework.

Registration required.

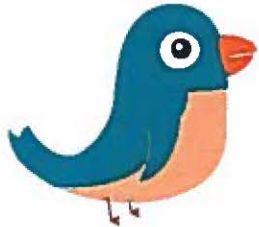
Cold Spring Harbor Library
95 Harbor Road
Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

Spend your Holiday Break at the Fish Hatchery!

Homemade Playdough

December 29 · 11am-3pm

Make your very own homemade playdough. Use the Hatchery's animals as your inspiration and get creative!



Backyard Birds

December 27 · 11am-3pm

Make a bird feeder or build a wooden birdhouse. There will be a \$5 materials fee for the birdhouse.

Live Animal Encounters

December 26, 28 & 30 · 2pm

Learn about the Hatchery's reptiles and amphibians



Trout Feeding Demonstrations

December 26, 28 & 30 · 1pm & 3pm

Watch the trout jump and splash as they devour a special diet of fish food.

Hatchery Tours

December 26, 28 & 30 · 11am

Learn how we care for the fish in our trout hatchery.



Nature Hike

January 2 · 11am & 2pm

Start the year off right! Come learn about Long Island winter habitats and end your visit with a guided nature hike. Hikes are family friendly. Be sure to dress weather appropriate. Comfortable hiking shoes are recommended. Must be able to hike a moderate nature trail for approximately ½ mile. Pre-registration required. Limited spaces available.

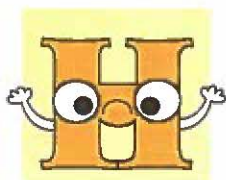


Cold Spring Harbor Fish Hatchery & Aquarium

1660 Route 25A, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724 · (516) 692-6768 · cshfishhatchery.org

The Heckscher Museum of Art

2 Prime Avenue, Huntington, NY 11743 | 631.351.3250 | Heckscher.org



HECKSCHER FAMILY HOUR Guided Tour & Activities

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Children ages 5 - 10 years

Sunday, January 22, 2017

Norman Rockwell and Friends

Sunday, March 19, 2017

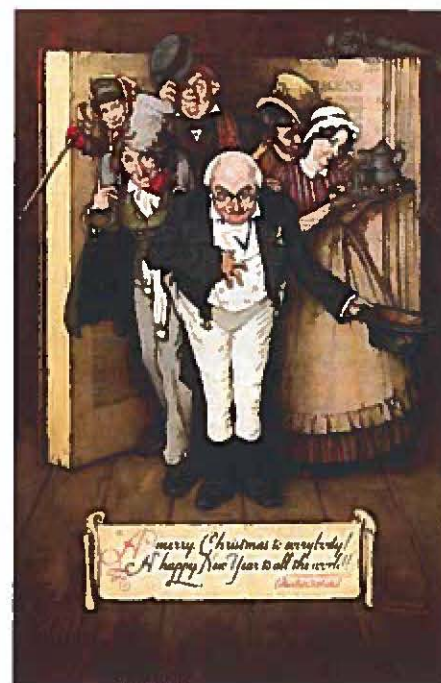
Long Island's Best

Children and their families are invited to join museum educator Tami Wood for a family-friendly tour of the Museum's exhibitions. Experience the artwork through close looking, lively conversation, and hands-on gallery projects.

Registration is recommended. Space is limited.

**Members Free, Non-Members Museum Admission
(children free) + \$5 activity fee per child**

Norman Rockwell, *World of Charles Dickens* aka *A Merry Christmas to Everybody! A Happy New Year to all the World!*, 1937. Mort Künstler Collection. Courtesy Norman Rockwell Family Agency.



UPCOMING AT THE HECKSCHER MUSEUM
International Slow Art Day
Saturday, April 8, 2017

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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 special meeting of the Board of Education will take place on January 6, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. at the Francis Roberts Community Center. The Board of Education will consider a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters appropriate for Executive Session.


William Bernhard, District Clerk