



Goosehill Primary School

Weekly Notes-January 6, 2017



Dear Parents,

I hope you enjoyed a wonderful holiday season with your children. They certainly returned to school happy, refreshed, and excited to talk about their vacations, as well as their new clothes and toys! In fact, a student in Mrs. Katz's class, *Will Streater*, is so excited about his new slippers, he wrote a letter to me requesting that we have another Pajama Day! I am happy to announce that his letter was so persuasive that **we have scheduled Pajama Day for next Friday- January 13th**. (It is also a HALF DAY for students, so you won't have to be concerned about whether or not your child's pajamas will be warm enough to wear outside to recess!)

Here are some reminders about procedures on half days of school:



- ✓ There will be no lunch served in school. Please send your child to school with a snack.
- ✓ Kindergarten AND first grade students will be dismissed together at 12:00 p.m.
- ✓ Students who are to be picked up must submit a note on the yellow Change of Transportation form on Friday morning. Please park your car and meet your child in the cafeteria between 11:50 and 12:00.
- ✓ Although we appreciate that some families enjoy scheduling play dates on half days, we respectfully request that no more than two children be picked up by another parent.
- ✓ Van riders will be riding on their morning van routes so there can be no requests for a change in stop. (There are different children on the morning and afternoon routes.)

Please note: We will be unable to accept dismissal changes after the start of the school day on Friday.

On another note, I would like to provide you with some ideas to consider when your child isn't feeling well. As you know, we see an increase in illness during the winter months. Sometimes keeping your child home is an easy decision---your child is obviously sick. Other times, it may not be that simple. Here are ideas to consider:

Fever: Children should stay home from school if they are running a fever of 100° or greater. They may return to school after 24 hours only if there is no fever without fever-reducing medication.

Nausea: If your child vomits or has diarrhea in the morning before school, s/he should stay home. If s/he has no appetite and/or complains of stomach pain, is clingy, or lethargic, a day to rest and recover is also indicated.

Cough/nasal discharge: If your child's cough or runny nose is producing excessive mucus or discolored discharge, it is important to keep him/her home. Please help him/her practice blowing his/her own nose and covering his/her mouth when coughing. *Having the sniffles, mild congestion, or a slight cough, does not necessarily mean a child can't be active and participate in school activities. On the other hand, if s/he's been up coughing all night and needs to be woken up in the morning (if s/he typically wakes up on his/her own), s/he will likely need to stay home to rest and recharge.*



If your child will be absent for any reason, please call the **Health Office 631-367-5950** and leave a voicemail with his/her name, class, and **reason** for the absence. Please also send a note explaining the absence upon your child's return to school. (This is required by the NYS Education Department.) Thank you for your support as we work together to keep our students happy, *healthy*, and ready for learning!

Warm regards,
Lynn Herschlein

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Important Dates

January 11- GPFA Meeting- Mr. Fenter and Mr. Bongino will discuss the proposed Physical Education Center and the Bond Referendum. Following that discussion, Mrs. Herschlein will present a workshop on helping your child develop strong reading skills.

January 13- Noon Dismissal & Pajama Day

January 16- MLK, Jr. Day - No school

January 26- Spirit Day

- Kindergarten Family Fun Night

February 2- First Grade Family Fun Night

Welcome to a New Student Jack Alberti joined Mrs. Gross's class this week. Please add the following information to your directory. 60 Hawxhurst Road, CSH Parents' names: Julie & Aaron Alberti
Home Phone: 516-877-5989 Mom's cell #: 917-685-4560

Physical Education Facility- BOND VOTE

Please be sure to **vote on January 18th** in the Field House at the Jr/Sr High School, on the Bond Referendum which will provide **ALL** students in Cold Spring Harbor with a New Physical Education Center. The vote will take place from 7am to 9pm. This state-of-the-art facility will be used by **ALL** students in grades 7 through 12 in their Physical Education classes as well as by **ALL** of our athletic programs after school.

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 (snow days). 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.

GPFA Updates

GPFA Meeting

The next GPFA meeting will be on Wednesday January 11th at 9:30am in the Community Room. Our Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Robert Fenter and our Director of Athletics, Mr. Michael Bongino, will discuss the upcoming Bond Referendum for the proposed **Physical Education Center**.

Following their presentation, Mrs. Herschlein will discuss reading development and ways parents can support their children at home.

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.

Boxtops!

The Boxtops competition is back on. Clip your Boxtops and send them in with your child's name and teacher's name on the envelope. The class that collects the most Boxtops by January 25th will win!



VOTE

COLD SPRING HARBOR SCHOOLS BOND REFERENDUM



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)

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

COLD SPRING HARBOR LIBRARY STUDY BUDDIES HOMEWORK CLUB



For students in grades 3-6
Wednesdays, 3:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Thursdays, 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
January 11 – February 16



Teen volunteers will give support, assistance, and encouragement to
students in 3rd through 6th grade.

Registration required.



Marshmallow Snowman
Tuesday, January 10
4:30 p.m.
For children in grades K-2
Create an adorable
snowman picture.
Registration required

Little Scientists
Thursday, January 12, 2:00 p.m.
For children in preschool
Explore the wonderful world of
science with books, games, and
hands-on activities.
Registration Required



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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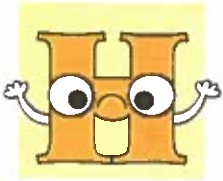
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of video courses, and view them on your
computer, tablet, or mobile device.

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

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.

The Heckscher
Museum of Art

UPCOMING AT THE HECKSCHER MUSEUM

International Slow Art Day

Saturday, April 8, 2017

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