



COS COB SCHOOL WEEK AT A GLANCE MARCH 28 – APRIL 1

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Congratulations to our Cos Cob School chorus for their amazing performance of the Star Spangled Banner at last weekend's Sound Tigers game! While spring vacation is just around the corner, there's still a lot more for us to do before then.

Next week Kindergarten will visit Suny Purchase to see a performance of, "The Very Hungry Caterpillar," while grades 4 and 5 attend the *Young People's Concert* at Central Middle School. Be sure to ask your children about their dental lessons with school dental hygienist, Jeannie Schnakenberg.

We are thrilled to welcome Robert "Rob" Surette to Cos Cob School on Friday, April 1st. Rob is a speed-painter and public speaker, and has been featured on Jay Leno, "Good Morning America" and Oprah. Most excitedly is he is the uncle of two of our students, Elliott and Theo Ornstein! You might want to take a moment to preview one of his videos on his website at: www.amazingheroart.com. Thank you to the PTA for sponsoring this amazing opportunity!

As April closes in, classroom teachers begin to think about placement and planning for next year. Following April vacation, I will be sending home information regarding your child's class placement for next year. Each year we give parents the opportunity to provide any information they feel important in their child's placement for the following year. Therefore, please be aware that this will go out when we return from April break.

Please remember that if you are picking a child up early from class, you **must email the classroom teacher and the office**. It is disruptive to the classroom teacher to have to pack students up for early dismissal without prior notification. Also, all dismissal changes must be done prior to **1:00 P.M.** unless in the case of an emergency. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

I hope that you all have a quiet, peaceful weekend, and hopefully we can enjoy some nice warm weather!

Gene

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

*In-Coming Kindergarten
Registration All Week*

Monday, March 28

Beg. & Advanced Band
Rehearsal, 8 a.m.

Teacher Professional Learning

Support CHAMPS, 3-3:25 p.m.

Tuesday, March 29

**LION KING JR. DRESS
REHEARSAL, 3:00-5:30 p.m.**
Mandatory for all participants.

Wednesday, March 30

Adv. Orchestra Rehearsal, 7:50 a.m.

Kindergarten SUNY *Very
Hungry Caterpillar* Field Trip

Grades 4 & 5 Young People's
Concert at CMS, 12:15 p.m.

Thursday, March 31

4th & 5th Grade Chorus, 8 a.m.

Teacher Professional Learning

Grade 5 *Grease* Production at
CMS, 9:00 a.m.

**LION KING JR. TECH
REHEARSAL, 3:00-5:30 p.m.**
Mandatory for all participants.

Friday, April 1

Beg. Orchestra Rehearsal, 7:50 a.m.

Lion King Jr. Rehearsal, 8 a.m.
Full Cast (no show chorus)

Rob Surette Assembly, 9:00 a.m.



Cos Cob School's Bicycle Safety Day
Saturday, April 30th, 2016
Set Up: 8 AM-10 AM
Event: 10 AM-1PM
Clean Up: 1PM

This is a fun and meaningful event for CCS students to learn about bicycle and related safety issues, as well as a great opportunity to practice some safe cycling skills! Participants should bring a bike and helmet to the event, and will need to be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Please contact Jean Marie Field at casjmf2002@yahoo.com if you would like to volunteer at this event.

FROM THE COMMUNITY



Open House
Sunday, April 24

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Join us for a demonstration lesson to discover how introducing Mandarin Chinese to your child can be engaging and fun!
www.ChineseLanguageSchool.org for more information.



Annual Easter
Egg Hunt

Glenville Volunteer Fire Department's Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, March 26 10 a.m. at the Glenville Fire House
Bring a basket, rain or shine!

Cos Cob Library hosts a new series of *Read to Otis & Cinder* beginning Monday, March 28, 4-5 p.m. Readers and dog lovers' welcome! Registration required, call 203-622-6883.

Tag Sale at ISD
Saturday, April 2, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Open to the public.

Register for the **Riverside Run** on Saturday, May 7 at 8:30 a.m.
[Riverside Run information and sign-up](#)

Conversation & Tea Thursdays, 1:30-3 p.m. at Jodi's house, 41 Grove Street. Contact Jodi Shankarlingam at jodinsuresh@gmail.com or 203-561-6949 (cell), 203-629-9311 (home).

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Fabulous **What's Cooking** nights are coming! Join us for Thai on May 5th and/or Indian on May 26th. Please contact Emily Kunschner for details and to sign-up: emilysk73@gmail.com

Early Bird Club is available every morning from 7:30-8:30 a.m. before school. Please click on the Early Bird tab in the PTA section of the website or follow this link for information and/or to register: [Early Bird Club](#)

FROM THE PTA



Teacher Appreciation Week is coming – April 25-29! This year's theme is "TEACHERS ARE HEROES IN DISGUISE." Please consider donating time, food or supplies as a show of support to the great community of teachers at CCS.

You can access our current list of needs at [Sign-up-Genius](#). No amount of time or donation is too small. Teachers have said this is one of their favorite weeks at CCS and they look forward to the food, fun and surprises in store.

Thank you in advance for your help, Tracy Tunnera and the TAW Team

A great time was had by all at last week's **Cos Cob Circus**. Thanks to those who were involved! Please enjoy pictures from the event care of Kendra Petrone: [The Cos Cob Circus](#)

Yearbook photos - if you have taken photos this year, we can use them! Please put photos on a flash drive and deliver to the office or upload as follows:

1. Go to www.community.pictavo.com and create a new account; school ID# 57835.
2. Once your account is confirmed, login and the upload section will appear as the home screen.

Please also see the attachment (pg. 4) for more information on being a **Yearbook volunteer**. Thank you for all your help! Tabatha Santanna, Yearbook Chair

Join us in our effort in becoming a more allergy aware school community!
Allergy Awareness fact: Researchers estimate up to 15 million Americans have food allergies, affecting 1 in 13 children (under 18) in the U.S. That's roughly two in every classroom.

We need **PTA Volunteers** for the 2016-2017 session. Contact Missy McKenzie, VP Nominating, for open positions and further details: missymckenzie@gmail.com

You can reach us anytime for questions at pta.coscob@gmail.com.

Sheila O'Donnell & Susan Williams, PTA Co-Presidents 2015-2016

FROM THE DISTRICT

ATTENTION ARTISTS: 2-Dimensional work that was displayed in the Greenwich High School Media center can now be seen at the Cos Cob Library.

Community Engagement Sessions presented by the **School Start Time Steering Committee** will take place April 6, 7 and 19 for feedback and parent perspectives. Visit [School Start Time Exploration](#) for information.

The PTAC Nominating Committee for is looking for a **DLE Co-Chair** to get involved in the Digital Learning Environment and work with an experienced Co-Chair. Position includes raising DLE concerns and issues to District Administrators and working to find solutions. Communications between Administrators and school PTAs is a primary responsibility. School DLE Representatives, assigned by the PTAs, make up the committee. Co-Chairs meet regularly and also organize and run meetings with school Representatives and Administrators 3-4 times a year. Please contact Anne Pfetsch, VP PTAC Nominating, at AnnePfetsch@gmail.com if you are interested or have questions.

Support CHAMPS!
All proceeds go
toward the purchase
of the new
Mine Detection Dog,
Emily!
(Named in memory of
Emily Fedorko)

**MONDAY
AFTERNOONS 3:00-
3:25
(In the back hall)**

Charm Bracelets \$5



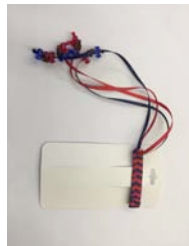
Bows \$5



Water bottles \$5



Barrettes \$5



Pony Tail Ribbons \$10



Key Fobs \$5



Trading Cards \$0.50



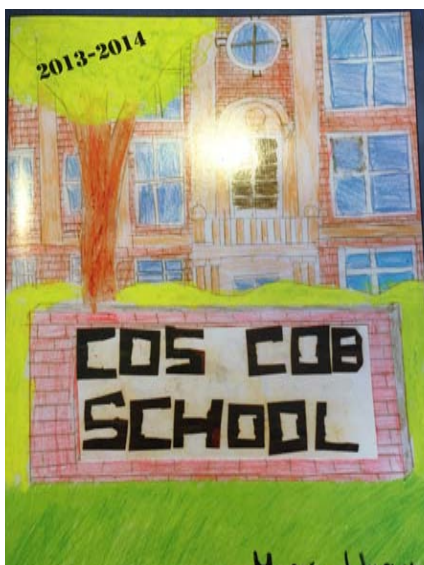
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Volunteers Needed

Photography/Yearbook Committee



COME JOIN US...

If you love photography and want to see all the exciting events at our school first hand, come join our team!

Don't miss the opportunity to capture these amazing events and create a memory of a lifetime. Your children's elementary school years are precious. Come help preserve this special time so that we can all remember it forever.

Please contact tabsantanna@gmail.com