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Cold Spring Elementary School

We have some important information to share that didn't make it into our December newsletter. Please take some time to read below.

We want to wish all our families who celebrate Happy Hanukkah! Wishing you love, peace, and happiness.

Weekly Classroom Updates

In an effort to ensure clear communication, we will be providing grade level updates each Sunday to families. Our teachers are working hard to keep this document up to date. Please make sure to click your grade level and read. Any questions regarding content can be directed to your child's teacher. **Also, please note this document is also posted on our school website for you to access at any time.**

<u>Kindergarten</u>	<u>1st Grade</u>	<u>2nd Grade</u>
<u>3rd Grade</u>	<u>4th Grade</u>	<u>5th Grade</u>

A Note About Tutors

We recognize many students have tutors for various academic needs. Please know the above document shares weekly concepts/skills students are working on. This is a great resource for you to share with tutors to keep them on a similar track when working with your child/children.

Ahh-Choo! 'Tis the Season for Sickness

There are a number of things currently going around and we are seeing many students take a day or two at home. This is totally fine and appreciated as we want to keep everyone as healthy as possible. Our teachers will work to make sure all missed work is provided and any child who stays home gets the opportunity to turn that work in.

Regarding Book Blast

Dear Families,

Thank you for joining our Book Blast book drive! We had an overwhelming response on the first night with over 100 participants and over \$5000 in donations already raised. It's

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not too late to participate and complete your [Treasure Map](#) tonight for a chance to win some prizes.

If you haven't registered, register and invite 10 or more friends and family here:

<http://bookblast.booksarefun.com/ColdSpringES20854>

Follow the steps on your Treasure Map for your student's chance to win Treasure Chests stuffed with cash or a brand-new iPad to be given away over the next few days. Congrats to Charlotte B. for being our first treasure chest winner!

Together, we're building our students' home libraries and love for reading!

From the PTA:

Thank you Shila Mashhadishafie for coordinating our first Donuts with Grownups of the school year!

Before & After-School Activities at Cold Spring ES

It's time to sign up for before and after school activities for the January-March session. Most activities start the week of January 8th and more activities may still be added prior to the session beginning. [Flyer](#) here.

Sign up here: <https://schools.kiddo.us/s/coldspring-md>

Restaurant Night, December 14, Gregorio's Trattoria, 4-9 pm

The next Restaurant Night is Thursday, December 14th, at Gregorio's Trattoria in Cabin John Village from 4-9 pm. This is usually one of our most successful nights of the year so we hope you will join us!

Calling all student artists!

All students are invited to participate in the National PTA Reflections Arts Program. This contest in six arts categories allows students in all grade levels to express themselves through their gifts & talents in the ARTS! Three winners from each category and each level (primary K-2 and intermediate 3-5) will advance to the county. This is a great opportunity! We had several Cold Spring students win awards at the County level last year.

Students may enter their original work in one or more of the following categories: Dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography, and visual arts. This year's theme is "I am Hopeful Because...". Entries are due December 8th. If you'd like to enter, please send an email to the Cold Spring PTA Reflections Chair, Paras Ghodsi at parastoo@hotmail.com and you will receive the entry form and further instructions. All submissions are digital. Additional information is available at PTA.org/Reflections.

Spirit Wear Ordering is Closed

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Spirit wear ordering closed on 11/27. We will provide an update of the anticipated arrival date of the order as soon as we know what it is.

From our Staff Appreciation Chair, Lindsay Koosed

Please help us take care of our wonderful faculty and staff by keeping their staff lounge stocked with goodies! We have 43 staff members, so a Costco-sized box is enough to make sure everyone finds something they like. Once you sign up and leave your email, I will email you directly with my address so you can drop off your donation before

the date listed on this Signup Genius. I will then bring everything to school at once to minimize disruption. Please let me know if you have any questions and thank you!!

Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E094BAAA92DA4F94-stock>

PTA Volunteers Still Needed

There are still open positions in the PTA that we need to fill. See list here and if you can chair/co-chair one of these, email erika.schor@gmail.com Your help is greatly appreciated!