

# Clear Stream Chronicle

*“Questions cause children to think. Commands cause children to resist.”*  
*Jim and Charles Fay*



## A Message from the Administrators...

### Our Loving Four-Legged Friends

Please refrain from having your dogs on Clear Stream Avenue property. The signs on the lawn state to keep dogs off of school property. Often times there are dogs on the lawn in front of the school during dismissal. Children walk on the lawn everyday and we are concerned with the health and safety of each Clear Stream Avenue student. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter as we all have the best interest of our children at heart.

### Parents/Visitors Entry into Building

When the children line up in the yard in the morning, please refrain from entering the build

ing with the students and chatting with your child's teacher. This is a very busy time for everyone and an appointment should be made with your child's teacher if you wish to speak with him/her. Adults are not to enter with students in the morning and all visitors need to come in through the front door and get a pass. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Our first concern is for the safety of all students and staff.

**See you next week!**

### Stars Brochure

Please look over the Stars Brochure and matrix that are going home with this week's Chronicle. It outlines the behaviors that are emphasized every day. They are: be safe, responsible, caring and respectful.

### Red Ribbon Week

The week of October 26th - 30th is Red Ribbon Week. Student Council has planned many fun activities to spread our drug free message. Each day we will say the Red Ribbon Pledge during morning announcements and each day a special activity will take place.

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### Ms. Freiberg

Ms. Freiberg has taught Art at Clear Stream Avenue for 6 years. Before that, she was a visual coordinator for Banana Republic. She attended Syracuse University and Hofstra University. She loves dogs and has one named Bailey. She has 2 younger sisters and an older brother. Her heritage is English, Irish, Turkish and Polish. She likes anything to do with art and her favorite artist is Georgia O'Keefe. She would like to travel to Italy one day. We found out that she enjoys pickle juice!

**Marc D. and Justin**

## PTA Updates...

According to a publication by the ERIC Clearinghouse for Social Studies/Social Science Education, teaching about the achievements of Americans of various ethnic origins can greatly enhance the self-concepts of students who identify with these groups. When students feel that their ethnic identity is valued, they begin to view themselves as active and confident

participants in a free society. They sense a purpose in developing civic competencies, realizing that perhaps their participation in public affairs may make a difference. Therefore, education about the value of ethnic diversity in American society can foster a true sense of political efficacy among students of various ethnic backgrounds. When school and home

work together to stress the values of mutual respect, ethnic diversity and national unity, students learn to better appreciate the many cultures, attitudes, institutions and traditions they share as Americans.

District Website:

[valleystream30.com](http://valleystream30.com)

### Upcoming Events

- October 22, 23 - Ms. Kopsick's class to Caumsett
- October 22 - Pumpkin Patch
- October 26 - Bd. Of Ed. Meeting - 8:00 PM - Shaw Avenue Library
- October 30 - Gr. 5 & Gr. 6 Halloween Party
- Nov. 3 - School Closed Superintendent's Conference Day
- November 11 - School Closed - Veteran's Day
- November 19 - PTA Meeting - 7:30 PM