



DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of November 1, 2021

UPCOMING CALENDAR



NOVEMBER

- Tue 11/2 CRS 9/2 Makeup – Early Dismissal
12pm Pre-School, 12:30pm K-1
- Tue 11/2 Parent/Teacher Conference – No School
LLE/DMS
- Thu 11/4 CRS 9/3 Makeup – Early Dismissal
12pm Pre-School, 12:30pm K-1
- Thu 11/4 NJEA Convention – No School LLE/DMS
- Fri 11/5 NJEA Convention – No School
- Thu 11/11 PTO Meeting, Zoom, 6:30pm
- Tue 11/16 COW/BOE Meeting, LLE, 7pm
- Wed 11/24 Thanksgiving Recess – Early Dismissal
- Thu 11/25 – Fri 11/26 Thanksgiving Recess – No School

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Hello to everyone and a warm welcome to **November**! We hope everyone had an awesome **Halloween** and you are all recovering from your sugar splurges! It was fantastic to see so many of our students enjoying the day.

Last **Friday**, the **Halloween Parades** returned to **CRS** and **LLE**! We enjoyed a dose of cuteness as the amazing costumes paraded by. A special **shoutout** goes to all of our teachers and administration – more fantastic costumes! Our favorites were the **LLE Spelling Bees**!

This week we have a shorter schedule but there's still a lot happening! **Tuesday** is both **Election Day** AND **Parent/Teacher Conferences**. Busy day for parents! Just a reminder, there is **no school** on Thursday (for LLE and DMS) or Friday due to the **Teachers' Convention**. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable extended weekend.

When we return, keep in mind that **Spirit Fridays** are BACK! Remind your student to wear their **Demarest gear**, or the **school colors**, to participate in the fun. Not only will they be showing their spirit, but they don't want to miss the opportunity to win some fun rewards!

Keep your eyes on the newsletter as the future weeks are busy! Look forward to the **Book Fair**, **Winter Concerts**, **Spirit Fridays**, and more!

If you have not yet joined the PTO, we invite you to join here: <http://demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com>. There are many exclusive member benefits to take advantage of, don't hesitate to join. Please follow us (Demarest PTO) on Facebook and Instagram. Important updates will always be posted there, don't miss out! Feel free to reach out to us at: president@demarestpto.org, we are happy to assist.

Wishing everyone a fantastic week,
Vanessa & Mary
Demarest PTO Co-Presidents
president@demarestpto.org

NOTEWORTHY



Check the school calendars for **revised schedules**! **CRS** has **half days** on Tuesday and Thursday, with **no school** on Friday. **DMS/LLE** have **no school** on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.



We encourage everyone to join the **Demarest PTO**! New members can join by purchasing a membership at www.demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com



To access the PTO Directory and the Store, go to the **App Store** and download the **Membership Toolkit app**



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Become a **PTO member** for the **2021-2022** school year! Go to Membership Toolkit and register today! PTO membership includes eligibility for After School Enrichment program, SACC (School-Aged Child Care) program, PTO Committee positions, and more. Discounted admission is also available to members for certain PTO sponsored events. Additionally, members can access our online directory of PTO member families. **Be sure to purchase your membership today!**



The PTO is looking for **volunteers!** If you are able and willing to serve in any of the committees below, you can email our presidents at president@demarestpto.org. Please note that you must be a member of the PTO in order to serve. We

appreciate any help you can provide!

Committee Coordinators Needed

- Demarest 5K
- Enrichment



Calling all students who are currently enrolled in **Taekwondo!** We are looking for students in **all** grades to perform at the annual **Lunar New Year** assembly in **January**.

We are also accepting students for the **Nanta (Korean Traditional Drums)** performance at **LLE** and **DMS**.

Help us ring in the **Year of the Tiger!** For more information and to register, please email demarestkdpa@gmail.com. Thank you for your interest!



PTO Cultural Arts: From 10/21 to 10/26, **5th** and **6th** grade students at **DMS** participated in a 2-day art workshop with local Demarest resident

and artist **Maureen Bennett**. Maureen Bennett has worked with schools and organizations to create community art projects that explore peace, social justice, global citizenship, and the environment. Her "Art and Mindfulness" program has been designed to help the students delve into social/emotional topics through art and prompts given to students. These prompts grew out of a school wide survey that invited students to share their thoughts and feelings about the COVID and post-COVID pandemic experiences. In the coming weeks, **7th** and **8th** graders will participate in the same workshop and the program will culminate with an art installation featuring student work, in the DMS cafeteria. Here are some photos taken by Mrs. Zimmerman!



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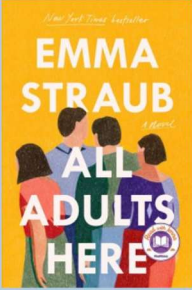
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COMMUNITY NEWS

DEMAREST FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY
Community Read



Join us on
Wednesday, November 10
for a community book
discussion!

Learn more at
demarestlibrary.org/CommunityRead

COMMUNITY NEWS – Cont'd

MUSEUM PASSES

FREE WITH YOUR LIBRARY CARD!



Free admission for 4 to 6 people to:

- Children's Museum of Manhattan
- Guggenheim Museum
- Intrepid Air & Space Museum
- Museum of Modern Art
- Storm King Art Center



The **Demarest Library** offers **FREE** museum passes with your library card! Passes may be checked out to Demarest residents only. To learn more, visit the website at www.demarestlibrary.org/museumpasses.

Adult Improv Acting Class

WITH VICTORIA PERO

Wednesdays, 7pm-8:15pm
November 17, December 8,
January 12, February 9

Registration required. Attend one or all four.



COMMUNITY NEWS – Cont'd

-Breathwork- Morning YoQi Flow

- with -

Karen Noel

THURSDAYS,

11AM

via zoom

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DEMAREST/MOODBOOSTYOGA](https://bccls.libcal.com/calendar/demarest/moodboostyoga)**

Explore the life force
matrix through
breath and mindful
movement; flow
freely with the fusion
of yoga and qigong.

