



DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of December 18, 2023

UPCOMING CALENDAR



- Wed 12/20 Staff Appreciation Luncheon
- Fri 12/22 Holiday Class Parties
- Fri 12/22 Spirit Friday
- Fri 12/22 Holiday Recess – Half Day
- Mon 12/25 – Fri 12/29 Holiday Recess – School Closed



- Mon 1/1 New Years – Schools Closed
- Tue 1/2 BOE Reorganization Meeting, CRS, 5:30pm
- Mon 1/8 Winter Enrichment Starts
- Thu 1/11 PTO Meeting, DMS, 8:30am
- Mon 1/15 Martin Luther King Jr Day – Schools Closed



- Fri 2/9 Lunar New Year Performance
- Wed 2/14 Valentine's Day Class Party/DMS Hot Chocolate Party
- Mon 2/19 – Fri 2/2 Mid-Winter Recess – Schools Closed

NOTEWORTHY



Hope you all enjoy the holiday break with loved ones!



We encourage everyone to join the **Demarest PTO!** To become a member and access the PTO Directory and the Store, go to the App Store and download the **Membership Toolkit app**.



Stay up to date by visiting our website at www.demarestpto.org. Like us on **Facebook** at Demarest PTO and follow us on **Instagram** at demarestpto.

*Demarest Parent Teacher Organization
A Tradition of Serving Demarest Schools for Over 80 Years*

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Can you believe it's already the **final PTO newsletter of 2023**?! If it's true that time flies when you're having fun - then we must have had double the fun this year!!!

A round of applause to the committee for turning **No Homework Night** into something **So Good**. We thank everyone who participated in this fundraiser!

This week we will be expressing our **appreciation** to the STARS and CELEBRITIES of Demarest - our extraordinary teachers and staff! The **annual Holiday Staff Appreciation Luncheons** are upon us, and the details are spectacular... catered cuisine, raffles, and fun! Kudos to the committee for making sure our teachers and staff feel like the true celebrities they are!

A reminder for our half-day this **Friday, 12/22** - every class from CRS to DMS will be indulging in a PTO-sponsored **pizza party**. A big thank you to the volunteers for making sure our students get their dose of cheesy delight!

As we bid adieu to 2023, let's **raise a metaphorical toast** to **everyone** who makes this **community tick** – teachers, staff, administration, parent volunteers, and parents. You're the real MVPs, and without you, Demarest wouldn't be the gem that it is.

Looking ahead to 2024, we've got a lineup that's more exciting than a surprise snow day. **Winter Enrichment, DMS Musical** rehearsals, the **DMS Book Fair, Spirit Wear, Spring Fundraiser, Demarest 5k, Principal's Challenge, Spring Enrichment, Me & My Dances** – it's a PTO party and everyone's invited! Get ready for a year filled with action, laughter, and possibly a few dance-offs.

We wish you a restful, relaxing, and peaceful holiday break! See you on the other side of the calendar flip!

Warmly,
Batool and Lauren
Demarest PTO Co-Presidents
president@demarestpto.org

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The PTO is very excited to sponsor this year's **2023 Holiday Luncheon** celebration filled with festivities, food, raffles and lots of fun for all the incredible **teachers** and **staff** at **CRS, LLE & DMS**. Thank you for your contributions! It's much appreciated!



PTO Membership includes eligibility for After School Enrichment 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!



Wear your **Spirit Wear** items or school colors every **Friday** to get points for the week!



Come be part of **International Heritage Day!**

Always a highlight of our school year, International Heritage Day (IHD) celebrates the diversity of our community. Various countries are represented each year by families wanting to share world cultures with our kids through food, games and activities. You do not have to be from the country you are representing!

The date for IHD 2024 is **Saturday, 3/16**. If you are interested in representing a country or volunteering to help a country, please let us know by emailing us at: heritageday@demarestpto.org.

Looking forward to having our kids and the community take another trip around the world 🌍



Join the **Demarest 5K Committee!** This is an amazing event that offers fun for the whole family, and many ways to support our schools. Committee work includes a **Principal's Challenge** hosted at CRS, LLE, and DMS in the weeks leading up to the 5K and a **One Mile Fun Run** on the day of the 5K. There are many ways to volunteer your time. Any amount of time you can give would be greatly appreciated. For more details reach out to demarest5k@demarestpto.org.



CONTACT US

The best way to contact us is by emailing president@demarestpto.org. We may not get to any other form of communication (such as Facebook Messenger) on a timely basis. If you are interested in submitting news for the newsletter, please email ptonews@demarestpto.org by Friday of each week.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Join the Teen Advisory Board for a

Holiday party

hosted by the
Friends of the Demarest Free Public Library



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19TH
3:30-4:30 PM

DEMAREST LIBRARY, CHILDREN'S ROOM
BEST SUITED FOR AGES 5 AND UP

STORYTIME, CRAFTS, GAMES, AND
SPECIAL HOLIDAY SNACKS!

REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

Borough of Demarest

SIGN UP for Demarest Mayor's weekly e-message!

Click the link below and enter your name and email, and you will begin receiving the Mayor's Message via email every Friday, which includes all current borough news:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/xsSfPu>



'Tis the season for brand new DAA spirit wear...do not miss your chance! For the first time ever, the DAA is offering an amazing spirit wear line. Don't sleep on your opportunity to snag

some amazing swag while supporting the DAA. Ten percent of every purchase goes directly back to the DAA.

Score these super cool, custom designed for Demarest, athleisure pieces and set your athlete up for major style points. The store is open now for orders. All Demarest orders will receive special rush production and shipment. Order at daarec.org (click on the team basketball store).

Fundraiser for
Demarest PBA Local 350

A NIGHT OF WONDER AND GOOD FORTUNE

Get ready to be captivated by the mind-blowing magician and mentalist, Mike "Kirsch" Kirschner. In a night filled with entertainment for the family! (Suggested age 12+, but all are welcome)

JANUARY 13, 2024
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