



# DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of September 30, 2024

## UPCOMING CALENDAR



Thu 10/3 –  
 Fri 10/4 Rosh Hashanah – No School  
 Thu 10/10 Me & My – PreK, CRS, 5pm – 6pm  
 Fri 10/11 Spirit Fridays Start  
 Fri 10/11 Art Cards Due  
 Tue 10/15 COW & BOE Meeting, CRS, 7pm  
 Wed 10/16 No Homework Night Fundraiser, TBD  
 Fri 10/18 Spirit Fridays  
 Wed 10/23 PTO Fall Social, Sear House  
 Fri 10/25 Spirit Fridays  
 Thu 10/31 PTO Halloween Parties



Fri 11/1 Spirit Friday  
 Tue 11/5 Parent Conferences – No School  
 Thu 11/7 –  
 Fri 11/8 NJEA Convention – No School  
 Tue 11/12 BOE COW and Regular Meeting, CRS, 7pm  
 Thu 11/14 PTO Meeting, Zoom, 6:30pm  
 Fri 11/15 5/6 Grade Dance, DMS, 7pm  
 Fri 11/15 Spirit Friday  
 Wed 11/27 Thanksgiving Recess – Half Day  
 Thu 11/28 –  
 Fri 11/29 Thanksgiving Recess – No School

## NOTEWORTHY



Buy your **Fall Social tickets** today on **Membership Toolkit!**



We encourage everyone to join the **Demarest PTO!** New members can purchase membership at [demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com](http://demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com).



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

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

## PRESIDENTS' CORNER

**Happy Monday**, Demarest families! We hope you managed to stay cozy and dry despite the weekend's bouts of rain.

**CRS and LLE parents**, heads up: your student's backpack is about to become a treasure chest because **Art Cards** are coming home! These gems always shine and are perfect for birthday invites, thank you notes, or even holiday cards. Don't miss your chance to turn your **child's masterpiece** into **greeting card gold**—just send them back with payment by **Friday, October 11th**.

**Pre-K parents**, are you ready for your confetti moment? The **Pre-K Me and My Dance** is right around the corner on **Thursday, October 10th**, from **5pm-6pm**. Tickets are now available on **Membership Toolkit**, and the flyer with all the fun details is in the newsletter (hint: spot the confetti, and you will find the flyer!).

**DMS parents**, don't feel left out! We've got something for you too. The amazing **DMS Volleyball Coaches** are hosting our **first-ever Volleyball Clinics**, running for **5 sessions**. Check out the flyer below for all the deets on how to register. The first session kicks off **this week**—don't miss out!

And the hot ticket event of the season? The **PTO Parent Fall Social** and it's happening on **Wednesday, October 23rd**, from **8pm-11pm!** Tickets are on sale now (on Membership Toolkit). There will be live music, plenty of food, and school raffles you won't want to miss (**spoiler alert**: second row seats to some CRS and LLE events, plus No Homework on Your Birthday passes!). We're counting down the days to see you there!

Be sure to explore the section below for a ton of fresh opportunities to get involved. We can't wait to have you on board!

Here's to a short and fantastic week!

Batool & Lauren

**Demarest PTO Co-Presidents**

## DEMAREST PTO NEWS

# SPREAD LOVE LIKE CONFETTI!

DEMAREST PTO PRESENTS

PREK 3 & 4

# ME & MY DANCE

PLEASE JOIN US WITH YOUR LITTLE ONE  
**LIVE DJ | PHOTOBOOTH | PIZZA**

COUNTY ROAD SCHOOL GYM  
OCTOBER 10, 2024  
5-6 PM

\$25 PER STUDENT & ADULT (MEMBERS)  
\$30 PER STUDENT & ADULT (NON-MEMBERS)  
TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR

PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPERVISING THEIR OWN CHILDREN.  
**NO SIBLINGS PLEASE.**

The **PreK Me & My Dance** will be held in the **CRS gymnasium** on **Thursday, October 10**. PreK students are invited to an evening of fun and food! One ticket will include admission for ONE parent, guardian, or care taker along with the preK child.

**\*\*NO SIBLINGS ALLOWED\*\***



Join the **Demarest 5K Committee**! We are seeking a Committee Coordinator for the 2024 – 2025 school year! This is an amazing event that offers fun for the whole family! 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. For more details reach out to [demarest5k@demarestpto.org](mailto:demarest5k@demarestpto.org).

# JOIN US FOR THE DEMAREST PTO FALL PARENT SOCIAL

Wednesday, October 23rd  
8PM-11PM

**SEAR HOUSE**  
411 Piermont Rd, Closter

**RAFFLES \* OPEN BAR \* FOOD**

**LIVE MUSIC BY RAY GREICHE**

PTO MEMBER TICKETS \$80/NON-MEMBER TICKETS \$85  
TICKETS AVAILABLE IN ADVANCE ONLY BY 10/18  
ON MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT AT DEMARESTPTO.ORG

For more information contact  
[president@demarestpto.org](mailto:president@demarestpto.org)

## Mom! Dad! Look What I Made!

Thanks for Your Support!



**Your Child's Artwork**  
faithfully reproduced

High Quality  
Professionally Printed  
in Full Color  
4 1/4" X 5 1/2"  
on Premium Card Stock  
**20 Note Cards**  
Boxed  
with **20 Envelopes**

**Great for**  
Invitations  
Special Events  
Holiday Cards  
Thank You Notes

**Makes a Perfect Gift**



The annual **PTO Art Cards Fundraiser** has started for our CRS and LLE students! Your children have created beautiful artwork in art class, which will be printed into notecards and/or keepsakes for you to order. We are also offering My Masterpiece – a larger, matted version of your child's artwork. The deadline to return the art packet is **Friday, 10/11**. Checks should be made out to **Demarest PTO**.

## DEMAREST PTO NEWS – Cont'd



Spread Some **Holiday Cheer!** We're on the lookout for a festive and organized **volunteer** to chair our very **first ever Holiday Boutique!** Help us bring

the magic of the season to our school by coordinating this fun event, where students can shop for gifts and spread joy. If you love the holidays and have a flair for making things merry and bright, this is the perfect role for you! Contact us at [secretary@demarestpto.org](mailto:secretary@demarestpto.org) to learn more!



First ever **Read-a-Thon!** Do you have a passion for reading and a knack for organizing? We're looking for a volunteer to help lead this year's **first ever Read-a-Thon Fundraiser!** It's a fun and exciting way to get our students turning pages all while raising funds for our school. If you're ready to inspire young readers and have creative ideas for fundraising for our schools – we'd love for you to chair this amazing event! Reach out to us at [secretary@demarestpto.org](mailto:secretary@demarestpto.org) today to learn more.

## Spring Fundraiser

We're looking for a spirited leader to head our **Spring Fundraiser Committee** for **one of our biggest events** of the school year, happening in **March**. If you love planning events, meeting new people, and making memories, this role is for you! Contact us at [secretary@demarestpto.org](mailto:secretary@demarestpto.org) for more information!

# VOLLEYBALL CLINIC

**5 SESSIONS BROUGHT TO YOU BY  
THE DEMAREST PTO &  
THE DMS VOLLEYBALL COACHES**

5:30pm -  
6:30pm  
@ LLE GYM



### ON THESE DATES:

**TUESDAY 10/1**

**TUESDAY 10/15**

**THURSDAY 10/17**

**TUESDAY 10/22 &**

**THURSDAY 10/24**

OPEN to  
6th, 7th & 8th grade  
BOYS & GIRLS

\$125 for 5 sessions

**REGISTER AT [WWW.DEMARESTPTO.ORG](http://WWW.DEMARESTPTO.ORG)**

This clinic runs for 5 weeks and is geared towards teaching the fundamentals of the game. Beginner and intermediate players are welcome. Register on Membership Toolkit. Must be PTO member to enroll.

At the end of each class, coaches will dismiss students at the front door of each school. Please note that pick up is at 6:30PM, sharp. Late pick up may result in a fine and/or the student may not be allowed in remainder sessions.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### FUN! FRIENDS! ADVENTURE!

Girls, age 11-17,  
Now is a great time  
to start SCOUTING!

Scouts BSA  
Closter/Demarest  
**TROOP 163!**

[www.ClosterTroop163.org](http://www.ClosterTroop163.org)



**THE HIGHER  
you climb  
THE FURTHER  
you'll GO**

**OPEN HOUSE**  
Monday, Sept 30, 2024  
7:00 - 8:30 pm  
County Road School  
130 County Road, Demarest, NJ

Learn valuable LIFE SKILLS, develop LEADERSHIP SKILLS,  
and actively participate in COMMUNITY SERVICE while  
EXPLORING THE GREAT OUTDOORS!

Questions?  
Email: [ClosterTroop163@gmail.com](mailto:ClosterTroop163@gmail.com)

Does your daughter want to CAMP, HIKE, CANOE, SAIL, HORSEBACK RIDE, KAYAK, CLIMB, and MORE? Troop 163 is welcoming girls, age 11-17, to join in our Scout ADVENTURES!

Come to our **Open House TONIGHT!!!** or to any of our Monday troop meetings to learn about amazing opportunities.

These young women Learn valuable LIFE SKILLS, develop LEADERSHIP SKILLS,

and actively participate in COMMUNITY SERVICE while EXPLORING THE GREAT OUTDOORS!

Contact Scoutmaster Erica Song with questions, [ClosterTroop163@gmail.com](mailto:ClosterTroop163@gmail.com). Check out our adventures at [www.ClosterTroop163.org](http://www.ClosterTroop163.org).

## DEMAREST NATURE CENTER OKTOBERFEST & CRAFTFAIR

Saturday October 5th. 10 - 5

Demarest, New Jersey

### AT THE DEMAREST DUCK POND

Craft Show    Beer Garden with Food (Brasserie Memere of Closter)  
Ceremonial Tapping of Keg at 12:45PM    Canoe Rides  
Assemble Birdhouses and Bird Feeders  
Square Dancing (1-3)  
Nature Exhibits with Live Animals    Dissect Owl Pellets  
Herb Exhibit with Sample Recipes from Yasou Mykonos (12:30-2:30)  
Roast Smores    Live Music



Drop Off Box  
Demarest Public Library

## GOT GIFTS?

**Got a gift you didn't like? Bought something you never used?... DONATE it to help parents who can't afford to buy gifts for their family.**

Collecting **NEW** clothes, shoes, games, toys, books, household items, etc for **The Gift Pantry** (new initiative of Dumont Food Pantry)

**COMMUNITY NEWS – Cont'd**



**Diwali**  
CELEBRATION

HOSTED BY THE DEMAREST PUBLIC LIBRARY

**ALL ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE!**

**STORYTIME, CRAFTS, FOOD, HENNA,  
DANCE PERFORMANCE & MORE!**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 @ 11AM**

**THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
109 HARDENBURGH AVE  
DEMAREST, NJ**



REGISTRATION REQUIRED → 