



DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of November 8, 2021

UPCOMING CALENDAR



NOVEMBER

- Thu 11/11 PTO Meeting, Zoom, 6:30pm
- Fri 11/12 5K Meeting, TBD, 9:30am
- Fri 11/12 Spirit Fridays
- Tue 11/16 COW/BOE Meeting, LLE, 7pm
- Fri 11/19 Spirit Fridays
- Wed 11/24 Thanksgiving Recess – Early Dismissal
- Thu 11/25 – Fri 11/26 Thanksgiving Recess – No School



DECEMBER

- Fri 12/3 Spirit Fridays
- Fri 12/10 Spirit Fridays
- Tue 12/14 COW/BOE Meeting, DMS, 7pm
- Fri 12/17 Spirit Fridays
- Thu 12/23 Holiday Recess – Early Dismissal
- Fri 12/24 – Fri 12/31 Holiday Recess – No School

NOTEWORTHY



Don't miss Thursday's **PTO meeting!** Email the secretary for the Zoom detail.



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**



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.

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Happy Monday, Demarest Parents, and welcome back! We hope everyone had an awesome long weekend and enjoyed the extra hour of sleep. Now that it gets dark at 4pm, we must squeeze even more into our days. Take a look at what we have in store for you this week!

The second **PTO meeting** of the year will be this **Thursday** at **6:30pm**. We encourage everyone to join us and learn more about this year's initiatives. Please email our secretary for the zoom link at secretary@demarestpto.org. For security purposes, this link is not posted publicly, but is always available by request.

Please stay tuned for information on the **Book Fairs**. CRS and LLE are early next month with DMS to follow soon after. We are thrilled to be offering these in person. Details will be announced soon, and we hope to see you there!

DMS parents, our amazing committee is hard at work on the **musical!** Keep your eyes open for correspondence on this event as it is sure to be fantastic. The PTO is very grateful for the opportunity to bring this back to our students, so don't miss out.

This week, **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! Want to get involved? We would love to have you! We are only an email away. If you have not yet joined the PTO, we invite you to join here: www.demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com.

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

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

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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 **5K Committee** is having their kickoff planning meeting this **Friday,**

11/12 at **9:30am**. If you are interested in attending, please contact Jenni Choi at jroh888@yahoo.com.



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

Support Demarest PTO.

When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com), Amazon donates.

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Please use this link to choose **Demarest PTO** as the **non-profit** you are **supporting**: bit.ly/AmazonSmileDemarestPTO

Support the Demarest PTO

with

Apple Cider Donut Kits

These donut kits come with the ingredients to make SIX Apple Cider Donuts and an optional Wilton non-stick 6-donut pan!

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Demarest PTO.



The sale is open till 11/12
Pick up kits between
Wed Nov 15 and Fri Nov 17 from 1:00 pm - 6:00pm
at **The Flavor Labs**
514 Livingston Street
Norwood



Order at www.theflavorlabs.com/products/donut-kit-demarest



Support the **Demarest PTO** with the **Apple Cider Donuts Kit Sale!** Click on the link to order your kit today!

www.theflavorlabs.com/products/donut-kit-demarest.

Kits will be available for pickup at the **Flavor Labs** in Norwood, NJ between **Wednesday, 11/15** and **Friday, 11/17** from **1pm – 6pm**.

THE DEMAREST PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (DPAC)

PRESENTS

LEARN HOW TO FIND HAPPINESS IN YOUR LIFE & WORK USING POSITIVE PSYCHOLOGY & MINDFULNESS BASED PRACTICES WITH DR. PAQUETTE

Join us for an evening with
Jonah Paquette, Psy.D.

Author of *Real Happiness*, *The Happiness Toolbox*, and his newest book *Awestruck: How Embracing Wonder Can Make You Happier, Healthier, and More Connected*.

**Thursday,
November, 18**
7 pm
till
8:30 pm
Via Zoom



The webinar is **FREE** of charge but requires pre-registration. Please sign up here <https://forms.gle/JZfSKmDoS89DAW82A>

You will receive a link to the online event on the day of the event.

Dr. Parquette is a clinical psychologist, author, and international speaker, specializing in the areas of happiness and well-being. His work focuses on helping individuals and organizations prosper in life, love, and work. To do so, he utilizes cutting-edge approaches including positive psychology, cognitive-behavioral therapy, and mindfulness-based practices.

AT THE END OF THE PRESENTATION WE WILL HAVE A RAFFLE TO GIVE AWAY A COPY OF EACH OF DR. PARQUETTE'S BOOKS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT DR. PARQUETTE GO TO

[HTTPS://WWW.JONAHPAQUETTE.COM/](https://www.jonahpaquette.com/)

Any questions please email dpac@nvnet.org

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Closter Nature Center

November After School Program

Native Americans: How They Used Nature to Survive and Thrive!

This program is for two weeks:

\$50/ session for Members - \$60/ session Non-Members

Mondays: 8th and 15th

1st - 3rd Grade 3:45 - 5:00pm

Tuesdays: 9th and 16th

Kindergarten 3:45 - 5:00pm

Wednesdays: 10th and 17th

1st - 3rd Grade 3:45 - 5:00pm

Thursdays: 11th and 18th

4th - 6th Grade 3:45 - 5:00pm

To register: <https://register.communitypass.net/Closter>, and you will be taken to Community Pass, the online registration and payment system. If you have any questions, please call Naturalist Marc Gussen at (201) 750-2778 or email admin@closternaturecenter.org.



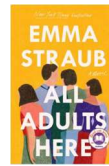
Free admission for 4 to 6 people to:

- 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.



Demarest Library Updates



Community Read – Join us on **Wednesday, 11/10** for a community book discussion. Learn more at www.demarestlibrary.org/CommunityRead.



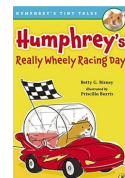
MEET BALOO!

Read to a Dog – **Thursday, 11/18** from **4pm to 5pm**. Demarest Library will be hosting a Read to a Dog program. Children can practice their reading one-on-one with an adorable and loving therapy dog! For readers and prereaders ages 5 to 11. Children may register for one 10-minute session, which will take place at the Demarest Train Station Room. Masks are required. Online registration is required.



children ages **4 to 8**.

Thanksgiving Arts & Crafts – Join Ms. Cara at the Demarest Train Station at **24 Park St.** on **Monday, 11/22 3:30pm to 4pm** for fun and simple Thanksgiving crafts. For



The 1st & 2nd Grade Virtual Book Club will be meeting Tuesday, 11/30, 4pm to 4:45pm to discuss *Humphrey's Really Wheely Racing Day*.



The 3rd & 4th Grade Virtual Book Club will be meeting Wednesday, 12/1 4pm to 4:45pm to discuss *Wishiree*.



The 5th & 6th Grade Virtual Book Club will be meeting Thursday, 12/2, 4pm to 4:45pm to discuss *When You Reach Me*.

For more information about all other Children's Programs at the Library, go to: www.demarestlibrary.org