



DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of November 6, 2023

UPCOMING CALENDAR



Mon 11/6	Bake-At-Home Pickup @ Train Station
Tue 11/7	Parent Conferences – No School
Thu 11/9 – Fri 11/10	NJEA Convention – No School
Sat 11/11	Winter Enrichment Registration Begins, 9am
Tue 11/14	BOE COW and Regular Meeting, CRS, 7pm
Thu 11/16	PTO Meeting, Zoom, 6:30pm
Fri 11/17	5/6 Grade Dance, DMS, 7pm
Fri 11/17	Spirit Friday
Wed 11/22	Thanksgiving Recess – Half Day
Thu 11/23 – Fri 11/24	Thanksgiving Recess – No School
Wed 11/29	Info Session DMS Musical, 3:15pm, DMS Cafeteria

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Hey, hey, **Demarest** dynamos!

We had a blast at **Demarest Day**, didn't we? It was like a reunion of old pals and meeting new buddies – the kind of community spirit that keeps us buzzing with excitement!

We've got **BIG DMS news** to share...read through to the end of this President's Corner for more juicy details...

For now, onto something that's going to make your day as sweet as a chocolate chip cookie. If you've been counting down the minutes until your **Bake-at-Home Blondie Kits** arrive, the time is now! Roll on down to the **Demarest Train Station** today (**11/6**) between **2pm – 4 pm** and grab those delectable goodies. It's your very own "Baking Extravaganza" episode just waiting to happen. All you need is a mixing bowl and an oven, so put on your apron and unleash your inner baker!

But hold onto your chef's hats because there's more fun on the horizon. The **Fire and Ice Dance** is creeping up faster than a snowball down a hill! It's the event of the season, exclusively for our cool **5th and 6th graders**. Tickets are ready for purchase on our trusty Membership Toolkit and the flyer below has all the fiery details!

Speaking of Membership Toolkit, have you dived into the treasure trove of enrichment classes we've cooked up for your little geniuses this winter? If you haven't, no worries – there's still time to uncover the exciting offerings from our **Enrichment Committee**. Hop over to Membership Toolkit and let the class-planning fun begin! Class registration starts at **9am** on Saturday, **November 11th**. Set your alarms and get ready to pounce on those fantastic classes!

DMS parents, are you ready?!?! We are super-duper pumped to present this year's **DMS Musical!!!** Check out the flyer below for the big reveal on the Show as well as all the audition and musical dates. An information session will take place on **Wednesday, November 29th** at **3:15pm** in the **DMS cafeteria**.

Enjoy your days off this week!

Batool & Lauren

Demarest PTO Co-Presidents

president@demarestpto.org

NOTEWORTHY



We need volunteers for the **Demarest 5K** and **Cultural Arts Committees!** See below for more info! Please check out the volunteer opportunities below!



We encourage everyone to join the **Demarest PTO!** New members can purchase membership at 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.

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

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FIRE AND ICE!

The Demarest PTO Presents

The 5th/6th Grade Dance

Friday, November 17, 7-9 pm
Demarest Middle School Gym
Desserts and Drinks Served

Tickets on sale 11/3 until 11/16
\$10 PTO members, \$15 non-members
demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com
Tickets at the door \$15 cash only

Questions? DMSVP@demarestpto.org

DMS & the Demarest PTO

Proudly Present

SHREK THE MUSICAL JR.

March 20 & 21, 2022

Info Session

November 29 @

3:15 PM

DMS Cafeteria

Auditions

December 13 @

3:15 PM

**Rehearsals on Wednesdays 3:15-5:15
Starting January 3**

Questions? DMSVP@demarestPTO.org

DEMAREST PTO AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT

**WINTER 2024
REGISTRATION IS OPEN
NOVEMBER 11 THROUGH NOVEMBER 17**

**CLASS SCHEDULE AND DESCRIPTIONS
WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE
PTO MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT
NOVEMBER 3**

**SET YOUR CLOCKS FOR 9AM TO REGISTER-
YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS OUT!**

**REGISTRATION IS ONLY AVAILABLE
THROUGH YOUR MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT .
BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!**

DEMARESTPTO.MEMBERSHIPTOOLKIT.COM



questions? email

demarest.enrichment@gmail.com



ATTENTION CRS PARENTS: We are seeking **one more committee member** to join the **Cultural Arts Committee**! The Committee sponsors numerous assembly programs throughout the year at our schools. From writing clinics to science programs, author visits to art workshops, music performances to dramatic renditions of history, students are exposed to a diverse palette of the arts and sciences.

DEMAREST PTO NEWS

Demarest 5K

run for your health

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 secretary@demarestpto.org.



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



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!

COMMUNITY NEWS

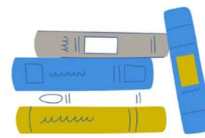


7TH ANNUAL JL BLESSINGS BACKPACK INITIATIVE THE YEAR OF UNITY

Our goal is to provide backpacks filled with bare essential items for homeless in NYC, NY, & NJ. We need your support to help bring Hope, Change, & Life to those in need!



Please help the **2nd Grade Demarest/Closter Cub Scouts** fill backpacks for the homeless in NYC, NY and NJ. Their goal is to fill at least 3 backpacks with new essentials: underwear, undergarments, socks, gloves/mittens, warm hats, scarves/earmuffs, hand/feet warmers, sanitary and hygiene products (toothpaste, handwipes, tissues, toilet paper, etc.), and other essentials. The Cubs have a drop off box at the Demarest Library (Stelfox entrance) **through November 28**. Distribution will be in early December. Please text Maxine Nakamura (917-657-7419) if you have any questions. Thank you.



FRIENDS OF THE DEMAREST FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

...wants you to become a Friend!

Our library needs Friends!

Memberships and donations allow us to purchase equipment, programs, and services NOT covered by our library's share of the town budget.

What else do the Friends plan to do?

In addition to fundraising, we plan to host community events and highlight and support local businesses. We will also advocate for the needs of the library, free speech, and inclusive equal access.

What do I get with membership?

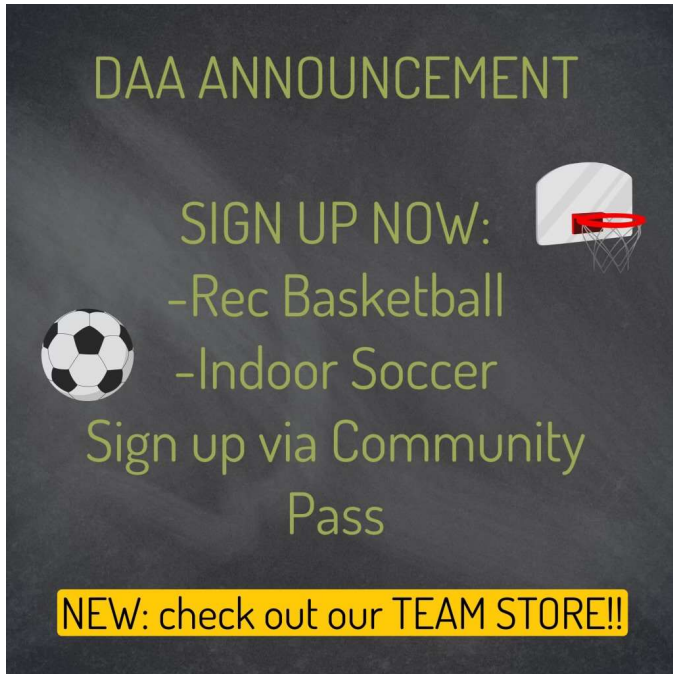
Your membership benefits include the Friends newsletter, discounts to our events, and the feeling of joy that you are supporting our amazing library.



Join Now!

www.demarestlibrary.org/friends

COMMUNITY NEWS – Cont'd



DAA ANNOUNCEMENT

SIGN UP NOW:

- Rec Basketball
- Indoor Soccer

Sign up via Community Pass

NEW: check out our TEAM STORE!!

DAA ANNOUNCEMENT! Sign-ups for winter sports are now! Rec basketball deadline is 11/17. Indoor soccer deadline is 11/24. Don't miss out on your opportunity to play, sign up today!

Stay tuned for the link to our new online TEAM STORE. A new way to score your swag and support the DAA!

Tutor.com

ONLINE TUTORING AND HOMEWORK HELP PROVIDED TO DEMAREST K-8 STUDENTS FREE OF CHARGE!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT THE DEMAREST SCHOOL DISTRICT HOMEPAGE!

<https://nj01001706.schoolwires.net/Page/4450>

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>



Help our Hungry Neighbors: Donate food for Dumont Food Pantry

Next collection: Monday, November 13

Drop Off: 8 John Street

Wishlist: any meat or chicken, milk, eggs, butter, cheese, yogurt, cream cheese, coffee, tuna, penne/ziti, pasta sauce, tomato paste, honey, olive oil, vegetable oil, red wine vinegar & soy sauce

Optional Sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E45A4AA2EA1FB6-dumont#/>