



DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of November 14, 2022

UPCOMING CALENDAR



November

- Tue 11/15 BOE COW and Regular Meeting, CRS, 7pm
- Wed 11/16 DMS Musical Interest Meeting, DMS, 3:15pm
- Fri 11/18 5th/6th Grade Dance, DMS, 7pm
- Fri 11/18 Spirit Friday
- Wed 11/23 Thanksgiving Recess – Half Day
- Thu 11/24 – Thanksgiving Recess – No School
- Fri 11/25
- Wed 11/30 First Day of LLE Book Fair



December

- Thu 12/1 Last Day of LLE Book Fair – Family Fun Night
- Fri 12/2 Spirit Friday
- Fri 12/9 Spirit Friday
- Tue 12/13 BOE COW and Regular Meeting, CRS, 7pm
- Fri 12/16 Spirit Friday
- Fri 12/23 Holiday Recess – Half Day
- Mon 12/26 – Holiday Recess – No School
- Fri 12/30

NOTEWORTHY



Pick your **enrichment classes** and get your **dance tickets!**



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*

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Hi **Demarest Families**, welcome back to a new week! We hope you enjoyed your long weekend and caught up on some relaxation. We know that we did, and now we are ready to jump back into the action.

It was so awesome to be at the return of the **PTO Ice Skating party**. Last Thursday, over 100 people joined us at the **Palisades Center Ice Rink**. A great time was had by all, on the ice, and enjoying some sweet treats. A huge thank you to all who worked to bring this event back.

So, what's happening this week? **Enrichment** signup, that's for one! This year, we are offering a **Winter Enrichment** session. Classes start after winter break and offer many options. Registration opened today, and you can sign up via **Membership Toolkit**. Don't miss out on the fun, sign up now!

Calling all **5th and 6th graders!** This week is made for you. This **Friday, Nov 18th**, come dance the night (or the evening) away! AND do it while glowing in the dark. Does that sound cool? We sure think so. Don't miss out on the fun, be sure to get your ticket ASAP (also on the Toolkit).

Another exciting middle school event (DMS is trending this week) is the upcoming **DMS Musical!** Be a part of **Broadway in Demarest** and take part in this awesome show. There is an informational meeting, for students wanting to participate, this **Wednesday at 3:15**. Meet in the **cafeteria** and learn all about it.

Don't forget to keep the book fair on your radar! See below for more info!

We encourage all families to get involved! We are a completely volunteer driven organization! See below for more info re: membership!

Have a great week,
Vanessa and Mary

Demarest PTO Co-Presidents
president@demarestpto.org

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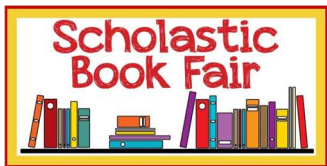
LET'S GLOW!

THE DEMAREST PTO PRESENTS
**THE 5TH/6TH
GRADE DANCE**

DEMAREST MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 7PM-9PM
DESSERTS AND DRINKS SERVED

Tickets available online until 11/17
\$10 PTO members, \$15 non-members
demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com
Tickets at the door \$15 cash only
QUESTIONS? DMSVP@DEMARESTPTO.ORG

All 5th and 6th Graders are welcome to join us at the **5/6 Grade Dance** on **Friday, 11/18** from **7pm to 9pm** at the **DMS gym**. Tickets can be purchased on Membership Toolkit.



Save the Date!!! The **annual LLE Book Fair** will be held in-person on **Wednesday, 11/30** for **CRS** students (grades K-1) and **Thursday, 12/1** for **LLE** students. **Pre-K** can attend after school hours with a parent/guardian on **Wednesday, 11/30 3:15pm – 4pm**. **All families** are welcome **Wednesday, 11/30** from **4pm – 5pm** and **Thursday, 12/1 3:15pm – 5:30pm**. Please stay tuned for more details on our **Family Fun Night** with **Mr. Mazzini** as our guest reader!

CRS, LLE & DMS

SPiRiT

Friday 

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



The **PTO Enrichment Committee** is excited to announce the new After School Enrichment **WINTER** program! Classes will run **01/09 – 02/17**. Brand new classes including but not limited to Food Science, Little Vet School, Film 101, and Magic Illusions! Also returning are fan favorites such as Grit Ninja, Chess, and Fashion Bag Designers. Our **Spring Enrichment Program** will run from **March to May** – more details to come! Winter Enrichment registration is available **NOW** through **Membership Toolkit**. Please note that students must be registered PTO members to be able to enroll in enrichment.

MUSICAL THEATRE

DMS Students are invited to attend an interest meeting for our school musical this winter. The interest meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 11/16** at **3:15pm** in the **cafeteria**. Parents/Guardians **must be PTO members** for their child to participate, as this is a PTO-sponsored event.



Access the **Membership Toolkit Directory** for the **2022 – 2023** school year! PTO Membership includes eligibility for After School Enrichment Programs, 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 for parties and play dates! Be sure to purchase your membership today!

Looking for a great opportunity to join in and help the PTO? We are seeking a new Committee Coordinator for the Demarest 5K! Please contact Grace Lee at secretary@demarestpto.org for more information regarding this position.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Korean Demarest Parents Association



Calling **all** students who are currently enrolled in Taekwondo! We are looking for students in all grades **K – 8** to perform at the annual **Lunar New Year** assembly on **Friday, 1/27**. Help us ring in the

Year of the Rabbit! For more information and to register, please email demarestkdpa@gmail.com.

Demarest Schools - SACC Demarest

The YMCA is still looking for at least two people to work for our Demarest SACC program. Please contact Sharon Twiddy at sharont@wyckoffymca.org or (201) 891-2081 ext. 149.

Demarest Middle School

CALLING ALL
Coffee Lovers

DEMAREST MIDDLE SCHOOL IS ON A MISSION TO HELP REDUCE THE IMPROPER DISPOSAL OF SINGLE-USE PLASTICS!

WE ARE ASKING FOR YOUR HELP BY SAVING & DROPPING OFF USED K-CUP COFFEE PODS TO THE WOODEN BOX NEAR THE CORNER OF NORTHWOOD AVE. & PIERMONT RD.

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF RECYCLING 10,000 PLASTIC PODS!



Teen Advisory Board

THANKSGIVING EVENT

HOSTED BY TEEN ADVISORY BOARD
THURSDAY, 11/17 3:30-4:30 PM
LOCATION: DEMAREST PUBLIC LIBRARY

IT'S ALMOST THANKSGIVING! JOIN US FOR SOME FESTIVITY AND FUN!

SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES ARE...

- BINGO-GAME**
- PINECONE TURKEY CRAFT**
- STORYTIME**
- AND MORE**

THIS IS FOR AGES 4-8
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT THE TAB AT DEMARESTTAB@GMAIL.COM

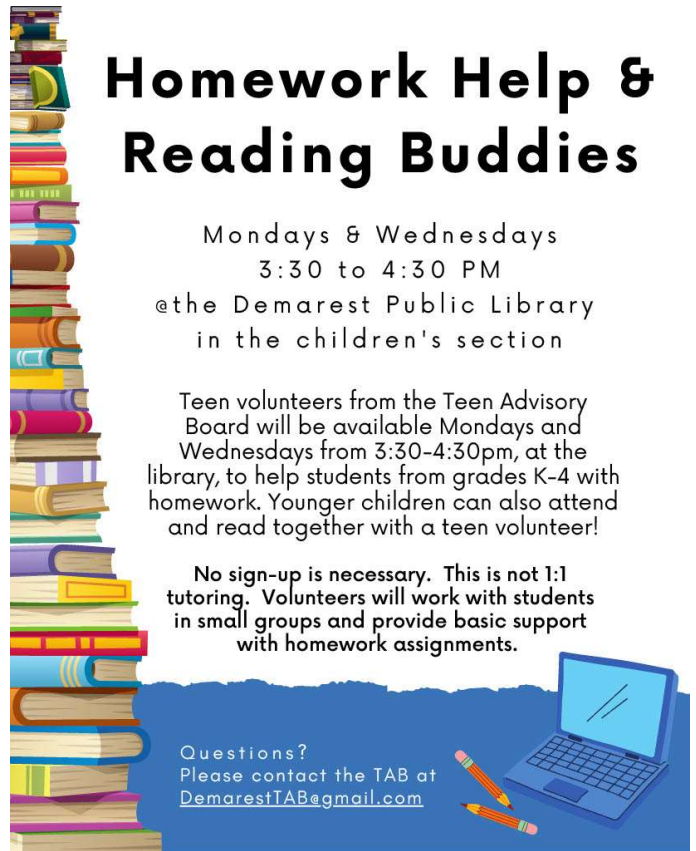
Homework Help & Reading Buddies

Mondays & Wednesdays
3:30 to 4:30 PM
@the Demarest Public Library
in the children's section

Teen volunteers from the Teen Advisory Board will be available Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30pm, at the library, to help students from grades K-4 with homework. Younger children can also attend and read together with a teen volunteer!

No sign-up is necessary. This is not 1:1 tutoring. Volunteers will work with students in small groups and provide basic support with homework assignments.

Questions?
Please contact the TAB at DemarestTAB@gmail.com



COMMUNITY NEWS – Cont'd



Demarest Library Updates

Visit the website for more information about upcoming programs: www.demarestlibrary.org and subscribe to Miss Cara's newsletter for weekly email updates.

Register for programs at: bccls.libcal.com/calendar/demarest

* online registration is required. Registration usually opens up 3 weeks before the event.

Thanksgiving Storytime & Craft (ages 4 and up)*

Wednesday, 11/16, 3:30 to 4pm – Join Ms. Cara at the Demarest Train Station for a Thanksgiving story and a festive craft! This program is geared towards children ages 4 and up. Children must be accompanied by an adult during the program. When you register, please indicate how many children will be attending.

Read to a Therapy Dog (ages 4 and up)*

Thursday, 11/17, 4 to 5pm @ Demarest Library
Children can build confidence and practice reading one-on-one with an adorable and loving therapy dog! Children may register for one 10-minute session each day that the program is offered.

Hebrew Storytime (ages 4 and up)*

Monday, 11/21, 4:30 to 5pm
Join us for Hebrew stories read by a community volunteer and a fall craft! This program is for children ages 4 and up and their families, and it meets at the Demarest Library.

Chess Club (all levels)

Saturdays, 10 to 11am @ the Demarest Library –
Registration is not required and players of all levels are welcome. Chess Club will now run from 10 to 11am and will meet on most Saturdays in the children's room. Players 7 years old and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Interested in
Cub Scouting?



**JOIN
TODAY**

Fun! Friends! Adventure!

Girls & Boys, Grades K – 5, are invited to join the Cub Scouts. Now is a great time to **START SCOUTING!**

Adventures include camping, model building and racing (Pinewood Derby), Field trips, games and achievements with your den and overnights at museums and aquariums.

Social distancing guidelines will be followed strictly!
Scouting Questions? Contact Cubmaster Leslie Correa at cmclosterpack20@gmail.com or Committee Chair Andrew Correa at bigbearpack20@gmail.com. You can also contact Demarest Parents Kathleen Doshi (kazwebb@gmail.com) and Maxine Nakamura (wallybella@hotmail.com).