

# DEMAREST PTO WEEKLY NEWS

WEEK OF JANUARY 19, 2026

## THIS WEEK

- **MON 1/19:** NO SCHOOL/ PD STAFF
- **WED 1/21:** BOE MEETING, CRS, 7PM
- **SUN 1/25** LAST DAY OF THE READ-A-THON!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### JANUARY

- **FRI 1/30:** LAST DAY TO SUBMIT READ-A-THON LOGGED MINUTES AND DONATIONS

### FEBRUARY

- **FRI 2/6:** READ-A-THON WINNERS ANNOUNCED
- **FRI 2/6:** ICE SKATING, OPEN TO ALL DEMAREST FAMILIES @ PALISADES MALL ICE SKATING RINK
- **FRI 2/13:** LUNAR NEW YEAR SHOW
- **MON 2/16-20:** WINTER BREAK
- **TUE 2/24:** BOE MEETING, CRS @7PM

# PRESIDENTS' HIGHLIGHTS

The Read-A-Thon excitement continues this week! CRS, LLE, and DMS students are in the middle of our Read-A-Thon, running from January 12 through January 25—and remember, all reading at home counts.

Bedtime stories, sibling story hours, getting lost in a favorite novel, flipping through comics, or even reading a recipe in the kitchen all help build a love of reading while supporting our schools.

And once you've stretched those reading muscles, it'll soon be time to stretch your running ones!

Registration for our annual 5K kicks off February 1, so be sure to check out the flyer below for a few details.

Whether you're racing, jogging, walking, or cheering from the sidelines, it's another great way for our community to come together.

-Batool & Lauren

Demarest PTO Co-Presidents  
president@demarestpto.org

## HELPFUL TIPS & REMINDERS

- **Ice Skate Night Out** tickets **on sale now** on Membership Toolkit!
- **Join the PTO** @ [www.demarestpto.org](http://www.demarestpto.org), to gain access to the **student directory** and so much more!
- **Fun fact:** You can **download an app** to access the **PTO website** with just a tap! **Look for this icon**



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THE DMS STUDENT COUNCIL AND  
PTO PRESENT

## Ice Skating Night

February 6, 2026  
6:10-7:10 PM

Palisades Ice Rink



Come and enjoy a fun night of ice skating with your friends and family.

Refreshments will be available.

This event is open to all Demarest Families!

\*Please note that there are no supportive skates to assist with beginner skaters.\*

\$20 for PTO Members

\$25 for Non-Members

\$30 at the door

Registration coming soon!

THE DEMAREST PTO PRESENTS THE:

41<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL

## Demarest 5K run for your health

**Registration Opens  
February 1st!**

@ [Demarest5k.org](http://Demarest5k.org)

May 17,  
2026!

## Calling All Sponsors!

The 5K attracts over 800 runners, volunteers and spectators each year!

If you or your company would like to sponsor this event we have plenty of sponsorship levels and would love to help you get involved!

Email: [Demarest5k@Demarestpto.org](mailto:Demarest5k@Demarestpto.org):



WE ARE HALFWAY THROUGH THE WINTER READING OLYMPICS!

LET'S KEEP TURNING THOSE PAGES TOGETHER!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS PARTICIPATED SO FAR! WHETHER IT HAS BEEN THROUGH READING OR FUNDRAISING OR BOTH, WE ARE SO APPRECIATIVE!

IF YOU HAVE NOT TAKEN PART YET, YOU STILL HAVE TIME TO JOIN IN THE FUN!

REGISTER YOUR CHILD BELOW (IT ONLY TAKES A MINUTE, SUPER EASY!)

SCAN  
ME!



OR VISIT [WWW.GETMOVINFUNDHUB.COM](http://WWW.GETMOVINFUNDHUB.COM) - SCHOOL IDENTIFIER: 690348BAB847E

LOG MINUTES READ OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL (SCHOOL REQUIRED READING MINUTES CAN BE LOGGED TOO!)

DONATIONS ARE HELPFUL IN SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOLS AND REACHING OUR GOAL (VOLUNTARY OF COURSE)!



JOIN US!

## THE SPRING SOCIAL!

CAN'T HAPPEN WITHOUT A LEAD!

We'd love to host a Spring Social for parents, but we need a crew to make it happen! If you love planning fun nights out, sign up to lead (or join) the planning team — one lead and 2-3 helpers needed!

Email:  
[president@demarestpto.org](mailto:president@demarestpto.org)  
This event is not meant to be a fundraiser, just a fun night out for parents!



# DEMAREST COMMUNITY NEWS



FEBRUARY  
7  
2026

## MAPLE SYRUP DAY

We can't wait to see you!

Saturday, February 7, 2026  
10am - 12pm

at the Demarest Nature Center entrance adjacent to the Imagination Playground on Wakelee Drive.

Join us for our annual Maple Syrup Day at the DNC. Learn how maple syrup is made, from tapping the trees to boiling the sap, with live demonstrations!

Fun games for kids of all ages!  
Hot drinks and s'mores!



MUSLIM HERITAGE MONTH EVENT

OUD PERFORMANCE BY  
BRIAN PRUNKA WITH PERCUSSIONIST  
ALBER BASEEL

Saturday, January 24th  
11:00 AM



Teen  
Advisory  
Board

Friends of the Demarest Free Public Library

## HOMEWORK HELP

Join us for group homework help facilitated by the Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

MONDAYS - 3:15 - 4:15 PM  
JANUARY 12 & 26, FEBRUARY 2, 9, & 23  
AT THE DEMAREST LIBRARY

**Disclaimer**  
This is not a one-on-one tutoring service.  
Sessions may be cancelled without notice.  
Program does not run when the library is closed or school is not in session.

**FRIENDS  
OF THE DEMAREST  
FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY**



Registration is open for all boys and girls in grades 1-8 from Northvale, Norwood, Old Tappan, Harrington Park, Demarest, Closter, and Haworth

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