

DEMAREST PTO WEEKLY NEWS

WEEK OF APRIL 6, 2026

THIS WEEK



- **TUES 4/7:** ME & MY DANCE, LLE GRADES 2 & 3 ONLY, 5:30-7PM
- **TUES 4/7:** PRINCIPAL'S CHALLENGE @ CRS, LLE, & DMS BEGINS THIS WEEK
- **FRI 4/10:** DMS GOLF CLINIC STARTS TODAY
- **FRI 4/10:** SPIRIT WEAR FRIDAY!

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

- **MON 4/13-4/17:** SPRING BREAK, SCHOOLS CLOSED
- **TUE 4/21:** COW MEETING, 5:30PM @CRS
- **FRI 4/24:** SPIRIT WEAR FRIDAY!
- **TUE 4/28:** PUBLIC BUDGET MEETING & BOE MEETING, 7PM @ CRS

HELPFUL TIPS & REMINDERS

- **LAST CALL - PURCHASE YOUR LLE ME & MY DANCE TICKETS TODAY ON MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT, PRICE INCREASES AT THE DOOR!**
- **STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK CONTRIBUTIONS OPEN NOW ON MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT!**
- **SPRING SPIRIT WEAR SURPRISE! ADD SOME DEMAREST FLAIR TO YOUR CROCS....WE HAVE DEMAREST SPIRIT WEAR JIBBITZ!**

PRESIDENTS' HIGHLIGHTS

Spring may have just sprung, but things are already in full bloom here in Demarest!

This week brings a whirlwind of excitement as the **Principal's Challenge** kicks off across all three schools. With Mr. Mazzini and Mr. Regan leading the charge, CRS, LLE, and DMS students will be hitting the ground running, literally! Haven't signed up yet?

No sweat (yet)...there's still time to **register at demarest5k.org**.

Amid all the excitement, a very special thank you to our **CRS Me & My Dance committee—the dance was a huge hit!** The night was filled with smiles, great music, and plenty of memorable moments on the dance floor.

We're so grateful to the team who made it all happen and created such a special evening for our CRS families.

And now, it's LLE's turn! We're excited to welcome our 2nd and 3rd graders to this week's **LLE Me & My Dance** for another fun-filled evening. **Buy your tickets today, prices will go up tomorrow!**

Looking ahead to when we return from break, get ready—the spring fun isn't slowing down anytime soon. On deck: a PTO-sponsored **week-long celebration for Staff Appreciation Week**, an in person PTO meeting where you can learn more and get involved, Field Days packed with outdoor fun,

and of course, our biggest family event of the season—the Demarest 5K!

Wishing everyone a Spring Break fueled by caffeine, sunshine, and just the right amount of screen time.

-Batool & Lauren

Demarest PTO Co-Presidents
president@demarestpto.org



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DEMAREST TEACHER & STAFF

2026 Appreciation Tour

MAY 4-8

MONDAY 5/4

"Breakfast at Tiffany's"
★ Staff: Kick off the week with a bagel breakfast in the staff room beginning at 7:30am

TUESDAY 5/5

"Simply the Best"
★ CRS/LLE Staff: Jive to the staff room for an Italian lunch beginning at 11am
★ DMS Staff: Waltz on over to your mailbox for a special gift

WEDNESDAY 5/6

"Footloose"
★ CRS/LLS Staff: Waltz on over to your mailbox for a special gift
★ DMS Staff: Jive to the staff room for an Italian lunch beginning at 11:30am

THURSDAY 5/7

"I Want Candy"
★ Staff: Enjoy a symphony of snacks as the Candy Cart rolls down the hallway
★ CRS/LLE: 9:30 - 10:30am
★ DMS: 1 - 2pm

FRIDAY 5/8

"Pour Some Sugar on Me"
★ Staff: Curtain call on the week with the Glazed and Confused Donut Truck!
★ LLE 8:45 - 9:45am
★ CRS 10:15 - 11:15am
★ DMS 11:45am - 12:45pm

Thank you for being IN - TUNE with our Demarest students. You are true rockstars. Thank you for all that you do!

Turn out to this playlist

THE PTO IS VERY EXCITED TO SPONSOR THIS YEAR'S 2026 STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK CELEBRATION FILLED WITH FESTIVITIES, FOOD, GIFTS AND LOTS OF FUN FOR ALL THE INCREDIBLE TEACHERS AND STAFF AT CRS, LLE & DMS.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN CONTRIBUTING, PLEASE DO SO ASAP!

YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A PTO MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE—EVERYONE IN OUR COMMUNITY IS WELCOME TO JOIN IN THE APPRECIATION!

SUGGESTED CONTRIBUTION AMOUNTS ARE LISTED BELOW, BUT PLEASE KNOW THAT ANY AMOUNT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

- **CHILD(REN) ATTEND 1 SCHOOLS: \$25**
- **CHILD(REN) ATTEND 2 SCHOOLS: \$35**
- **CHILD(REN) ATTEND 3 SCHOOLS: \$40**

FAMILY PHOTO FUNDRAISER – RESERVE YOUR SPOT!

CAPTURE BEAUTIFUL FAMILY MEMORIES WHILE SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL!

JOIN US FOR A MINI FAMILY PHOTO SESSION WITH

LOCAL PHOTOGRAPHER IVY DASH:

- \$75 PER 15-MINUTE SESSION

- DEMAREST DUCK POND

- SATURDAY, MAY 2 (RAIN DATE: MAY 3)

AFTER YOUR SESSION, YOU'LL RECEIVE ACCESS TO AN ONLINE GALLERY WITH EDITED PHOTOS, WHERE YOU CAN DOWNLOAD YOUR PHOTOS OR PURCHASE PRINTED COPIES.

IMPORTANT:

- PLEASE SIGN UP FOR YOUR FAMILY'S SESSION THROUGH THE PTO MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT
- ONLY ONE FAMILY PER TIME SLOT – SPOTS WILL FILL QUICKLY, SO DON'T WAIT!



Demarest PTO Fundraiser:
FAMILY MINI PHOTO SHOOT
with local photographer Ivy Dash

\$75 • 15 minutes
May 2 (Rain date May 3)
Demarest Duck Pond
Edited gallery included • Download or order prints
Sign up on PTO Membership Toolkit
One family per slot — spots will fill fast!

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**TICKETS
ON SALE
NOW!**

Demarest PTO Presents

2ND-3RD GRADE

Me & My Glow Party

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026

5:30PM - 7PM

LUTHER LEE SCHOOL GYM

LIVE DJ - PHOTOBOOTH - PIZZA - GIVEAWAYS

\$30 PER STUDENT & ADULT (MEMBERS)

\$35 PER STUDENT & ADULT (NON-MEMBERS)



NO SIBLINGS PLEASE! PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR CHILDREN

DEMAREST PTO PRESENTS

SPRING JIBBITZ

\$5 per Jibbitz!

Available at the LLE Me & My dance or check back on www.demarestpto.org to purchase online



CHECK OUT MORE SPIRIT WEAR AT THE LINK BELOW!

SHOP NOW

<https://www.likewear.com/pages/demarest>



APPAREL SHOP

DEMAREST PTO PRESENTS

NEW SPIRIT WEAR

Fresh Styles Just Landed

Discover the latest pieces designed to elevate your school spirit!



CUSTOMIZABLE JERSEY

SHOP NOW

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DEMAREST PTO

SPIRIT WEAR FRIDAYS!

APRIL 10TH - JUNE 5TH

Wear your Demarest School Spirit Wear or school colors (red & white) every Friday to earn spirit points!

THE CLASS THAT SHOWS THE MOST SCHOOL SPIRIT IN EACH GRADE WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL TREAT!



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GOLF WITH MR. ROMEO

\$125 FOR 5 SESSIONS ON FRIDAYS 3:15PM - 4:15PM

open to grades 5-8

limited spots!

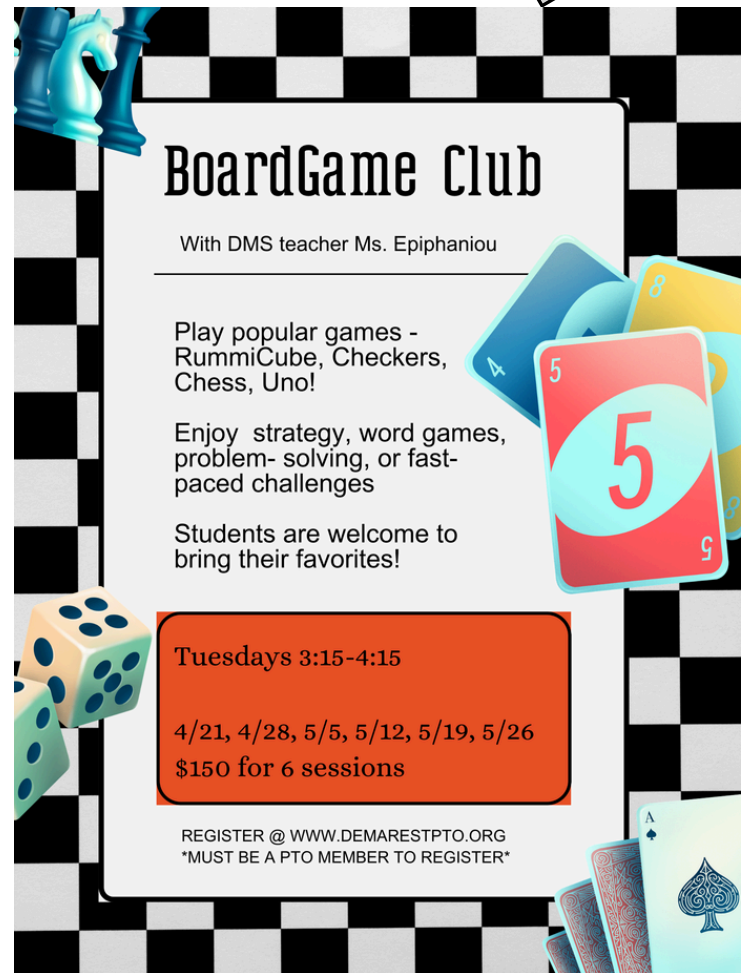
GOLF CLINIC

IN THE NEW DMS GYM

4/10, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15

REGISTER @ WWW.DEMARESTPTO.ORG
*MUST BE A PTO MEMBER TO REGISTER

BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE DEMAREST PTO



BoardGame Club

With DMS teacher Ms. Epiphaniou

Play popular games - RummiCube, Checkers, Chess, Uno!

Enjoy strategy, word games, problem-solving, or fast-paced challenges

Students are welcome to bring their favorites!

Tuesdays 3:15-4:15

4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26
\$150 for 6 sessions

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THE DEMAREST PTO PRESENTS THE:

41ST ANNUAL Demarest 5k

run for your health

Registration Opens February 1st!

@ 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



Get ready for the **2026 Principals' Challenge** and the **Demarest 5k!** This year will be the 41st running of the race and we are excited to start training. Check out Demarest5k.org to register! Questions? Email Demarest5k@demarestpto.org

Demarest Swim Club 2026

Early Bird Registration Now Through April 15

DemarestSwimClub.org

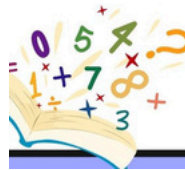
Service discounts for teachers, fire, police, ambulance, etc

The Colorful World of Math

Saturday, April 18
10:30 am

Join Demarest teens Maya and Elana Gutter at the Demarest Library for a Math Workshop. Kids will use art to solve addition and subtraction word problems and decorate paper butterflies to learn about symmetry

For Ages 4 - 7



REGISTER NOW



4th ANNUAL

SPRING PEEPS FAMILY DIORAMA CONTEST

FAMILY CONTEST!

Design your favorite scene from a book, movie, music album, or TV show using PEEPS as your characters!



Pick up a kit to participate in our family contest!

ENTRIES are DUE by MONDAY, APRIL 6



EARTH DAY STORY & CRAFT

Help the library create a paper Earth Day Tree!



AT THE DEMAREST PUBLIC LIBRARY!
AGES 5-12
NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

APRIL 22
3:30 - 4:15 PM

JOIN GUIDE AND CONQUER AND THE DEMAREST BOH



FREE REGISTRATION

COUCH TO 5K

MEET AT WAKELEE CLUB HOUSE

SUNDAYS 2PM AND
WEDNESDAYS 5PM

STARTS SUNDAY MARCH 22 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 13
ALL LEVELS WELCOME!
COME STRETCH/ WALK/ RUN WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
201-768-9147 x130

OR DROP US EMAIL
tcampbell@demarestnj.gov

DEMAREST BK REGISTRATION
NOT INCLUDED

Teen
Advisory
Board

Join the Teen Advisory Board (TAB) of the Friends of the Library for a

STOCK MARKET CHALLENGE

Bi-weekly sessions on Thursdays 3:30 - 4:15pm

April 9
April 23
May 7
May 21

Trade, learn, and compete. Who can grow their \$100,000 in virtual cash the most?

Most suitable for ages 10-14

REGISTER HERE!

FRIENDS OF THE DEMAREST FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY



JOHN GOODWIN PHOTO CONTEST

MAY

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2026

Entries are due by May 1st

Adult and Child Categories.
Cash Prizes!

Photos must be taken at the Demarest Nature Center.

Digital photos can be uploaded on our website: <https://www.demarestnaturecenter.org/annual-photo-contest/>.
Official rules are also listed there.



BECOME A TROOP LEADER WITH A FRIEND! (GET FREE MEMBERSHIP)

Make New Friends and begin a new 'Era' with Girl Scouts!

For girls entering Kindergarten in the fall and girls currently in K-3 who are NEW to Girl Scouts.

Kick off your journey this spring and 'Get Ready with Girl Scouts'. A perfect way to make new friends and begin your Girl Scout adventure!

Welcome Dance Party
(Dressing like "Taylor" in any Era is encouraged!)
Monday, April 6, 2026 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Closter Library - 280 High St, Closter, NJ 07624

To RSVP, scan the QR code and complete the interest form:

For more information, contact Christi at carango@gsnj.org 862-294-2312

girlscouts of northern new jersey



SEE YOU NEXT WEEK

Financial assistance is available for Girl Scout membership fees, uniform supplies, program activities, and summer camp.