



# DMS News

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## Fairview Lake

Our amazing sixth graders traveled to the Fairview Lake YMCA camp on May 3-5. During the trip our students engaged in team building activities, hiking, boating, archery, and rock climbing. Students also participated in learning experiences such as swamp and forest ecology. A group of parents and teachers partnered to chaperone the trip and ensure its success.

## African Drumming

On May 1<sup>st</sup> DMS hosted an African drumming event entitled "Path to Rhythm." All students had the opportunity to learn about and play the djembe drum along with a master teacher. Students also learned and practiced some accompanying dance moves. DMS would like to thank the Cultural Arts Committee of the PTO for organizing the event.

## DMS Track Team

The DMS track team is off and running! Approximately ninety students in grades six through eight have been training for a variety of track and field events. Best of luck to our team in their first meet today which will be held at Northern Valley Demarest!



## NJSLA

All week DMS students have been hard at work on the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment. This annual test assesses all students on their performance in mathematics and English Language Arts. Students in grades five and eight took an additional assessment in Science.



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## Author Visit

On April 28<sup>th</sup> Ms. Heffler's reading class had a Zoom visit with two writers from Scholastic Scope Magazine. Students learned about the research and writing process.

## Spring Concert

On May 17<sup>th</sup> our amazing musicians will perform in the annual Spring Concert. A performance will be conducted for the student population during the school day. An additional performance will be conducted for parents at 6:30 in the evening.

## Teacher Appreciation Lunch

On May 2<sup>nd</sup> the PTO provided lunch for all DMS teachers and support staff in appreciation for their service to the school community.



## Upcoming Events

### May Events

- May 23-25 Washington DC Trip
- May 26-29 School Closed for Memorial Day
- May 30-June 2<sup>nd</sup> Rutgers Science Bus
- June 1 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to Philadelphia