



DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of January 23, 2023

UPCOMING CALENDAR

2023 JANUARY 2023

Fri 1/27 Lunar New Year Celebration
Fri 1/27 Spirit Friday



FEBRUARY

Fri 2/3 Spirit Friday
Tue 2/7 COW & BOE Meeting, CRS, 7pm
Fri 2/10 Spirit Friday
Tue 2/14 Valentine's Day Class Party
Fri 2/17 Spirit Friday
Mon 2/20 – Fri 2/24 Mid-Winter Recess – No School



MARCH

Tue 3/7 COW Meeting, CRS, 5:30pm
Wed 3/8 First Day of DMS Book Fair
Thu 3/9 Last Day of DMS Book Fair – Family Fun Night
Tue 3/14 Preliminary Budget & BOE Meeting, CRS, 7pm
Wed 3/15 No Homework Night Fundraiser - TBD
Thu 3/30 DMS Musical
Fri 3/31 DMS Musical

NOTEWORTHY



Stay tuned to the Newsletter, more **volunteer opportunities** are coming!



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

Demarest Families, welcome to a new week! **Happy Lunar New Year** to all celebrating. We welcome in the **Year of the Rabbit**, seen as the luckiest animal to be born under! Well, that's pretty awesome. Even though your co-presidents are both Dragon babies.

There is a lot going on, so let's dive in! **Winter Enrichment** is underway, and students are having a blast. So how do we top that? You guessed it, **SPRING Enrichment**. Be on the lookout for the class descriptions and schedules, **registration** will open **February 6th**. Set yourself an alarm because classes sell out fast and registration will be open for only one week. Ahhhhh brings back 1990's memories of camping out for Billy Joel tickets, before the internet.

You know what school is having its moment? It's **DMS**. The **stage crew** just had their informational meeting, and that proved to be quite a hot ticket. **Registration** is now open, on the **toolkit**, so be sure to sign up. An email will be coming out, with all the details, so definitely give that a read. **Legally Blonde** is looking to be THE theatrical event of the Spring. **Broadway** has NOTHING on Demarest.

Do you know what **middle school activity** is trending for 2023? You guessed it, **READING!** For your information, TikTok is sooooo 2022. It's time to grab a great read. Good thing the **DMS Book Fair** is right on trend and is sure to be fire! Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, 3/8** and **Thursday, 3/9**. Students will have the opportunity to visit the fair during their LA classes. All **DMS families** are welcome to attend and shop the book fair at our **Family Fun Event** on **Thursday, 3/9** from **3:05 – 5pm**. Families will have the opportunity to chat with many **local celebs**, including **Principal Regan** and many **DMS teachers!** Explore and purchase books highly recommended by our very own DMS teachers...stay tuned for more exciting details and this event will be fantastic!

Have a great week,
Vanessa and Mary
Demarest PTO Co-Presidents
president@demarestpto.org

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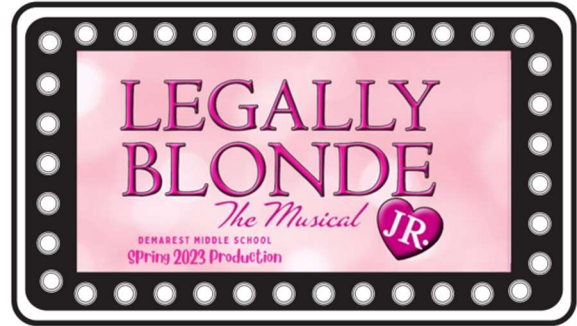


Save the Date! Our **Spring Fundraiser Gala** will be held on **Friday, April 28, 2023** at the **Montammy Golf Club!**



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

DEMAREST MIDDLE SCHOOL
AND THE PTO PROUDLY PRESENT



SHOW DATES: MARCH 30 & 31ST

The Demarest PTO is excited to announce that registration is now open for “**Legally Blonde**” Crew Members! Please be reminded that you **must** be a PTO Member to register. Visit the Toolkit to sign up and select position options.



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.



parties and play dates!

Discounted admission is also available to members for certain PTO-sponsored events. Members can also access our online directory of PTO member families for

**Support
Demarest PTO.**

When you shop at smile.amazon.com,
Amazon donates.

[Go to smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)

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Amazon Smile is **ending its program** on February 20, 2023! Please use this link to choose **Demarest PTO** as the non-profit you are supporting for the final few weeks: bit.ly/AmazonSmileDemarestPTO

COMMUNITY NEWS



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

Demarest CRS/LLE - SACC Demarest



SACC Demarest

The YMCA is still looking for at least two people to work for our Demarest SACC program.

Contact Sharon Twiddy at
SharonT@wyckoffymca.org
201-891-2081 ext. 149

Demarest Middle School

CALLING ALL ☕ Coffee Lovers ☕

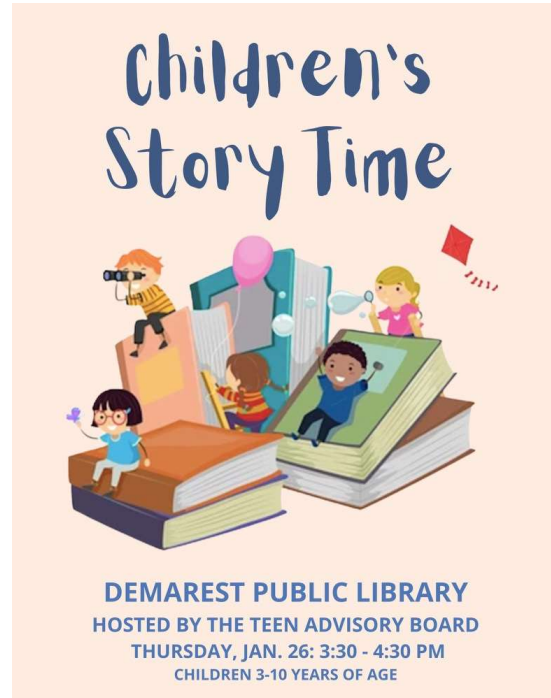
DEMAREST MIDDLE SCHOOL IS ON A MISSION TO HELP REDUCE THE IMPROPER DISPOSAL OF SINGLE-USE PLASTICS!

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!



Demarest Public Library/Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Upcoming January Events



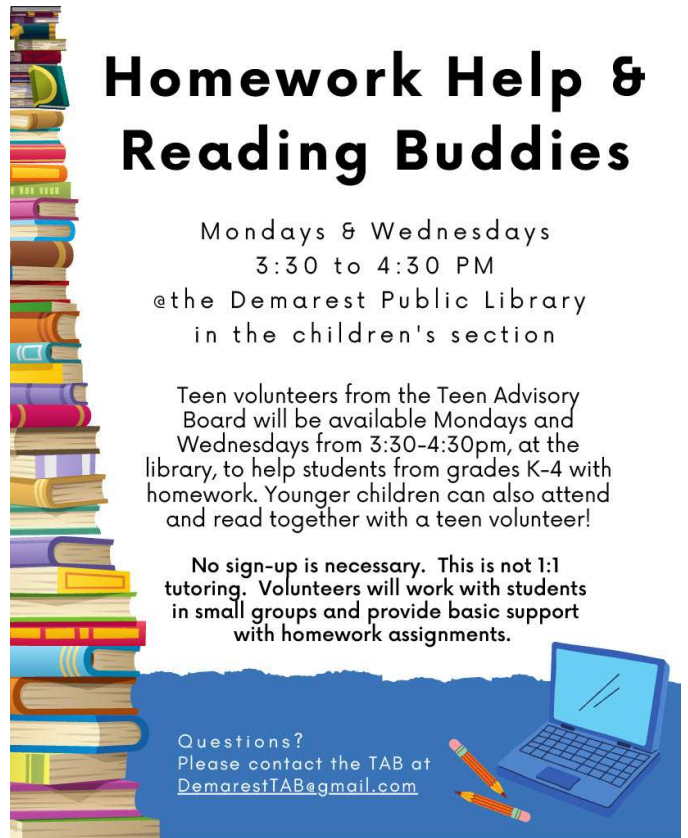
Homework Help & Reading Buddies

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

FUN! FRIENDS! ADVENTURE!

Girls, age 11-17,
Now is a great time
to start SCOUTING!

Scouts BSA
Closter/Demarest
TROOP 163!

www.ClosterTroop163.org

THE HIGHER
you climb
THE FURTHER
you'll GO



OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, Feb 12, 2023
3:00 - 5:00 pm
Closter Senior Center
4 Lewis Street, Closter, NJ

Learn valuable LIFE SKILLS, develop LEADERSHIP SKILLS,
and actively participate in COMMUNITY SERVICE while
EXPLORING THE GREAT OUTDOORS!

Questions?
Email: ClosterTroop163@gmail.com

Troop 163 is welcoming girls, age 11 – 17, to join in our Scout ADVENTURES! Come to our Open House on 2/12/23 or to any of our Monday after-school meetings to learn about amazing opportunities.

These young women Learn valuable **LIFE SKILLS**, develop **LEADERSHIP SKILLS**, and actively participate in **COMMUNITY SERVICE** while **EXPLORING THE GREAT OUTDOORS!**

Contact Scoutmaster Erica Song with questions,
ClosterTroop163@gmail.com

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).