

## DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of November 13, 2023

UPCOMING CALENDAR	PRESIDENTS' CORNER
Tue 11/14 BOE COW and Regular Meeting, CRS, 7pm PTO Meeting, Zoom, 6:30pm	Welcome back from that luxurious four-day weekend, Demarest families! We hope you had a blast or at least survived the extended family game of Monopoly without starting a rebellion. Now that we're halfway through
Fri 11/17 5/6 Grade Dance, DMS, 7pm Fri 11/17 Spirit Friday	November, let's peek at the exciting shenanigans brewing in our fabulous schools.
<ul> <li>Wed 11/22 Thanksgiving Recess – Half Day</li> <li>Thu 11/23 –</li> <li>Fri 11/24 Thanksgiving Recess – No School</li> <li>Wed 11/29 Info Session DMS Musical, 3:15pm, DMS Cafeteria</li> </ul>	A big <b>thank you</b> to everyone for supporting our schools by joining in on the <b>blondie kit bake-at-home fundraiser</b> ! We hope those delicious treats brought more joy than a puppy in a bounce house.
Fri 12/1Spirit FridayFri 12/8Spirit FridayTue 12/12BOE COW and Regular Meeting, CRS, 7pmThu 12/14No Homework Night Fundraiser, TBDFri 12/15Spirit Friday	Hold onto your hats (or tiaras, we don't judge), the 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> grade Fire and Ice dance is swinging its way into town! Happening this Friday, 11/17 at 7pm in the DMS Gym. Ticket sales are so hot, they're practically sizzling! Slide on over to our Membership Toolkit. Details are in the flyer below – check it out!
Fri 12/22Holiday Class PartiesFri 12/22Spirit FridayFri 12/22Holiday Recess – Half DayMon 12/25 –Holiday Recess – No SchoolFri 12/29	Ah, Winter Enrichmentwhere kids dive into activities cooler than a polar bear's toenails. Registration is currently open, and the deadline to register is this Friday, 11/17. Head over to our Membership Toolkit to scope out these amazing classes. Trust us, they're snow good!
<b>NOTEWORTHY</b> We need volunteers for the <b>Demarest 5K</b> and	Mark your calendars! We have a PTO meeting on Zoom this Thursday, 11/16 at 6:30pm. Shoot an email to the PTO secretary for the golden link.
Helpful Tips We need volunteers for the Demarest 5K and Cultural Arts Committees! See below for more	And in case you missed the drumroll-worthy DMS Musical

info! Please check out the volunteer opportunities below!



We encourage everyone to join the **Demarest PTO**! To become a member and 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.

Musical news last week, fear not! The details are neatly packed in the flyer below. There's an info session for students on Wednesday, November 29th at 3:15pm in the DMS Cafeteria. So, save the date and join us for an adventure that'll make you wish for your own talking donkey.

We are always on the lookout for extra hands. Please reach out if you would like to join our fun team!

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performances to dramatic renditions of history, students are exposed to a diverse palette of the arts and sciences.

#### **DEMAREST PTO NEWS**



Join the Demarest 5K Committee! This is an amazing event that offers fun for the whole family, and many ways to support our schools. Committee work includes a Principal's Challenge hosted at CRS, LLE, and DMS in the weeks leading up to the 5K and a One Mile Fun Run on the day of the 5K. There are many ways to volunteer your time. Any amount of time you can give would be greatly appreciated. For more details reach out to secretary@demarestpto.org.



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



PTO Membership includes eligibility for After School Enrichment Program, PTO Committee positions, and more. Discounted admission is also available to members for certain PTOsponsored events. Additionally,

members can access our online directory of PTO member families. Be sure to purchase your membership today!

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

## 7TH ANNUAL JL BLESSINGS BACKPACK INITIATIVE

Our goal is to provide backpacks filled with bare essential items for homeless in NYC, NY, & NJ. We need your support to help bring Hope, Change, & Life to those in need!



Please help the 2nd Grade Demarest/Closter Cub Scouts fill backpacks for the homeless in NYC, NY and NJ. Their goal is to fill at least 3 backpacks with new basic essentials: underwear, undergarments, socks, gloves/mittens, warm hats, scarves/earmuffs, hand/feet warmers, sanitary and hygiene products (toothpaste, handwipes, tissues, toilet paper, etc.), and other essentials. Donations will be taken through November 28. Distribution will be in early December. Please text Maxine Nakamura (917-657-7419) if you would like to help the Cubs reach their goal and we can arrange a pick up. The Cubs lost their drop off bin as the Library is closed. Thank you.

# A NIGHT OF WONDER AND GOOD FORTUNE

Get ready to be captivated by the mind-blowing magician and mentalist, Mike "Kirsch" Kirschner, in a night filled with entertainment for the whole family!

#### JANUARY 13, 2024 NVD HIGHSCHOOL Auditorium



### **COMMUNITY NEWS** – Cont'd

## DAA ANNOUNCEMENT



#### NEW: check out our TEAM STORE!!

DAA ANNOUNCEMENT! Sign-ups for winter sports are now! Rec basketball deadline is 11/17. Indoor soccer deadline is 11/24. Don't miss out on your opportunity to play, sign up today!

Stay tuned for the link to our new online TEAM STORE. A new way to score your swag and support the DAA!



#### ...wants you to become a Friend!

Our library needs Friends! Memberships and donations allow us to purchase equipment, programs, and services NOT covered by our library's share of the town budget.

What else do the Friends plan to do? In addition to fundraising, we plan to host community events and highlight and support local businesses. We will also advocate for the needs of the library, free speech, and inclusive equal access.

> Join Now! www.demarestlibrary.org/friends

#### What do I get with

membership? Your membership benefits include the Friends newsletter, discounts to our events, and the feeling of joy that you are supporting our amazing library.



Borough of Demarest

SIGN UP for Demarest Mayor's weekly e-message! Click the link below and enter your name and email, and you will begin receiving the Mayor's Message via email every Friday, which includes all current borough news: https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/xsSFtPu



Help our Hungry Neighbors: Donate food for Dumont Food Pantry!

Next collection: Monday, November 13 Drop Off: 8 John Street

Wishlist: any meat or chicken, milk, eggs, butter, cheese, yogurt, cream cheese, coffee, tuna, penne/ziti, pasta sauce, tomato paste, honey, olive oil, vegetable oil, red wine vinegar & soy sauce

Optional Sign up: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E45A4AA2EA1FB6-dumont#/



ONLINE TUTORING AND HOMEWORK HELP PROVIDED TO DEMAREST K-8 STUDENTS FREE OF CHARGE!

### FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT THE DEMAREST SCHOOL DISTRICT HOMEPAGE!

https://nj01001706.schoolwires.net/Page/4450