

DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of October 17, 2022

UPCOMING CALENDAR









Tue 10/18 No Homework Night Fundraiser – Dante's Pizza

Fri 10/21 Spirit Friday Fri 10/28 Spirit Friday

Mon 10/31 Halloween Parade - CRS/LLE







Thu 11/3 PTO Meeting, Zoom, 6:30pm

Fri 11/4 Spirit Friday

Tue 11/8 Parent Conferences – No School Thu 11/10 – NJEA Convention – No School

Fri 11/11

Tue 11/15 BOE COW and Regular Meeting, CRS, 7pm

Fri 11/18 5th/6th Grade Dance, DMS, 7pm

Fri 11/18 Spirit Friday

Wed 11/23 Thanksgiving Recess – Half Day Thu 11/24 – Thanksgiving Recess – No School

Fri 11/25

Wed 11/30 First Day of Book Fair

NOTEWORTHY



Make sure to check the library schedule and lunch schedule, if you have volunteered!



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.

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Greetings, Families of Demarest. We hope you had a great weekend. This fall weather has been beautiful – hopefully, you were able to soak it all in!

WOW, that's all we can say for the PTO Fall Social. Almost 150 parents came out to meet fellow members of the PTO last Wednesday. Mother Nature must love Axia as much as we do, because she gave us such an amazing night. It was great to meet so many new people and reconnect with old friends. We hope you loved the night as much as we did. We say a huge thank you to Axia for such a fantastic event, and we thank everyone who came out to support the PTO. Remember, this is just the beginning. We can't wait to see you again!

Both CRS and LLE had a real treat last week. The FIRST Cultural Arts assembly of the year was a huge hit. Our students really loved it, and we thank our committee for making it possible.

Not to be left out, we have a lot happening over at DMS! We are gearing up for the 5th and 6th grade dance AND the DMS Musical. Keep your eyes open for information on both. We are super excited for these events.

Don't forget to join us at Dante's on Tuesday, 10/18 for some yummy Italian food. See flyer below for our No Homework Night Fundraiser.

We encourage all families to get involved! We are a completely volunteer driven organization — so the more help we have the better! We have over 35 committees which are run by the PTO. So, whether you have only a few hours here and there or if you have a lot of time throughout the week to spare, we will find something that works. If you have not yet joined the PTO, sign up here (demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com). Please volunteer and get involved, the PTO welcomes you!

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

Demarest Parent Teacher Organization
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DEMAREST PTO NEWS



The PTO is seeking 6 volunteers for the 5th/6th Grade Dance. Please email dmsvp@demarestpto.org. Please note that you *must* be a PTO member to volunteer!

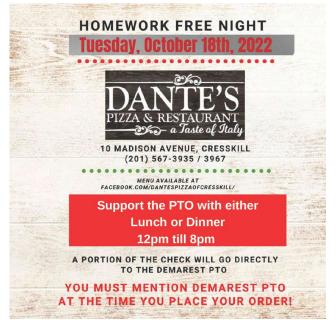


Looking for a great opportunity to join in and help the PTO? We are seeking new Committee Coordinator for the Demarest 5K! Please

contact Grace Lee at <u>secretary@demarestpto.org</u> for more information regarding this position.



The best way to contact us is by emailing president@demarestpto.org. We may not get to any other form of communication (such as Facebook Messenger) on a timely basis. If you are interested in submitting news for the newsletter, please email ptonews@demarestpto.org by Friday of each week.



Save the date! Tuesday, 10/18, is our first No Homework Night Fundraiser of the school year. Order delicious food from Dante's Pizza & Restaurant in Cresskill and help us raise funds for our schools. You can take out, have food delivered, or eat in at the restaurant! Don't forget to mention Demarest PTO at the time you place your order.



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. Discounted admission is also available to

members for certain PTO-sponsored events. Additionally, members can access our online directory of PTO member families for parties and play dates! Be sure to purchase your membership today!

Support Demarest PTO. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, Amazon donates. Go to smile.amazon.com

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Please use this link to choose **Demarest PTO** as the non-profit you are supporting: bit.ly/AmazonSmileDemarestPTO

COMMUNITY NEWS



SACC Demarest

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

Contact Sharon Twiddy at Sharon@wyckoffmca.org

201-891-2081 ext149



The annual Halloween Ragamuffin Parade is scheduled for 10/29 at 4pm at the Demarest Train Station. Come and stop by the tables provided by the PTO, Korean Demarest Parents Association, and many more!



<u>Demarest Library Updates</u>

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 via our online calendar:

bccls.libcal.com/calendar/demarest

Teen Advisory Board

HOMEWORK HELP – 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. 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. Homework Help October Dates: 10/17, 10/19, 10/24 & 10/26

Little Wigglers Storytime (ages 0 to 4)

Meets on Mondays and Wednesdays at the Demarest Gazebo, weather permitting. They will continue meeting at the Gazebo in September and at the train station when the weather is not so great!

October Book Clubs

5th & 6th Grade: Tuesday, 10/18, 3:30pm - Join Ms. Cara in person at the library for a slightly spooky book discussion and snacks, followed by a game or two! Copies of the book are being held at the library. Pick up your copy after registering online.

Chess Club (all levels)

Saturdays, 10:00 to 11am @ the Demarest Library Registration is not required and players of all levels are welcome. Chess Club will now run from 10:00 to 11:00am and will meet on most Saturdays in the children's room. Players 7 years old and under must be accompanied by an adult.

COMMUNITY NEWS – Cont'd

Demarest Library Updates - Cont'd

5th/6th Grade Book Club + Author Visit with Tracey Baptiste!

Tuesday, 10/18, 3:30 to 4:00pm @ Demarest Library Join Ms. Cara in person at the library for a slightly spooky

book discussion and snacks, followed by a game or two! They will be discussing The Jumbies by Tracey Baptiste. Tracey Baptiste will be joining us at the library for a Q&A session! Copies of the book are being held at the library. Pick up your copy after registering online.

Drop-In Spooky Science (ages 6 and up)

Tuesday, 10/25, 3:30 to 4:30pm - Celebrate the Halloween season at the library with some spooky science experiments. We will meet in the library program room. This is a drop-in style program, so you can stop by anytime between 3:30 and 4:30pm. Adults must stay in the library while children are participating in this program.

Demarest Middle School



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!



Interested in Fun! Friends! Adventure!

CUb Scouting? 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).



REMINDER – for DAA Travel Basketball Tryout is **Monday**, **10/17!** See below for schedule.

BOYS 3rd Grade - Monday, 10/17 6:00pm - 6:25pm BOYS 4th Grade - Monday, 10/17 6:35pm - 7:00pm BOYS 5th Grade - Monday, 10/17 7:10pm - 7:35pm BOYS 6th Grade - Monday, 10/17 7:45pm - 8:10pm

GIRLS 3rd-5th Grade - Tuesday, 10/18 6:00pm - 6:25pm GIRLS 6th-8th Grade - Tuesday, 10/18 6:35pm - 7:00pm BOYS 7th Grade - Tuesday, 10/18 7:10pm - 7:35pm BOYS 8th Grade - Tuesday, 10/18 7:45pm - 8:10pm

**MAKE-UP DATE - ONLY if player cannot attend according to above schedule.

BOYS 3rd/4th/5th - Monday, 10/24 6:00pm - 6:25pm BOYS 6th/7th/8th - Monday, 10/24 6:35pm - 7:00pm GIRLS - All Grades - Monday, 10/24 7:10pm - 7:35pm

Additional Make-up Date - Tuesday, 10/25, if necessary

Link: www.daarec.org (Find the green "Sign Up" bar at the top). Mandatory tryout information and logistics listed on the website.