





DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of April 21, 2025

UPCOMING CALENDAR

	 APRIL
Tue 4/22	COW Meeting, CRS, 5:30pm
Fri 4/25	Spirit Wear
Tue 4/29	Public Budget Hearing & BOE Meeting, CRS, 7pm
	 MAY
Fri 5/2	Spirit Wear
Mon 5/5	Staff Appreciation Week Starts
Wed 5/7	No Homework Night Fundraiser, TBD
Thu 5/8	PTO Meeting, TBD, 8:30am
Fri 5/9	Spirit Wear
Fri 5/9	LLE Field Day
Fri 5/16	Spirit Wear
Fri 5/16	CRS Field Day
Sun 5/18	Demarest 5K
Tue 5/20	COW & BOE Meeting, CRS, 7pm
Fri 5/23	Memorial Day Weekend – Schools Closed
Mon 5/26	Memorial Day – Schools Closed
Fri 5/30	Spirit Wear

NOTEWORTHY



Enrichment classes resume **this week**. **Next week** is the **last week for Spring Enrichment** classes. To view your schedule and add it to your device calendar: log into

flexacademies.com -> click on the class -> click 'Download iCal' -> upload file to your device!



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**.

*Demarest Parent Teacher Organization
A Tradition of Serving Demarest Schools for Over 80 Years*

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Welcome back, folks! We hope everyone had their fill of rest and relaxation over Spring Break, because it's time to dive back into the Monday madness! We'll keep today's rundown short and sweet — just like those precious vacation days.

As we enter **Week 3** of the **Principal's Challenge**, it's not too late to join in on the fun! Register for the **Demarest 5K** and **Principal's Challenge** at demarest5k.org. Volunteer opportunities and more 5K info can be found as you scroll on below.

Here's a quick list of what's in store as we head into the last couple of months of the school year (with more details in the flyers below):

- **Ice Cream Truck Visit:** THIS WEEK, all students at CRS and LLE will get a special visit from the Ice Cream Truck to celebrate our incredible Read-a-Thon participants! Sweet treats for a job well done. More info in the flyer below.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week:** A PTO-sponsored WEEK-LONG celebration (check out the daily fun planned in the flyer below).
- **PTO Meeting:** Learn all about the upcoming open PTO Board positions.
- **Field Days:** Packed with outdoor fun!
- **Demarest 5K:** Our biggest family event of the season. Don't miss it!
- **4th Grade Moving Up Keepsakes:** Be sure to check out the flyer below for exciting details in store for our amazing 4th graders.
- **Member and Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast:** In June to wrap up the school year, open to everyone! Details coming soon.

Wishing you a fantastic week ahead! Happy Monday!
Batool & Lauren

Demarest PTO Co-Presidents
president@demarestpto.org

DEMAREST PTO NEWS

40TH ANNUAL
Demarest 5k
run for your health

Sunday
May 18, 2025
9:30 AM 5K // 10:30 AM Fun Run
Demarest5k.org

**Sign up soon
price increases
May 1st!**

We need race week and race day volunteers! We have plenty of opportunities to get involved and be a part of this fun event.

Click on the link below to volunteer!
<https://tinyurl.com/yvfhb9db>


Questions?
Email Demarest5k@demarestpto.org

scan here to volunteer



To volunteer, click on tinyurl.com/yvfhb9db.

STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK
MAY 5 - 9


MONDAY STAFF LUNCH Happy Cinco de Mayo! Enjoy a Mexican fiesta in the Staff Lounge.	Tuesday I SCREAM I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream! The ice cream truck is coming!	Wednesday BAGEL BREAKFAST Thank you for everything you do 'round here. Enjoy bagels in the Staff Lounge.
THURSDAY ROLLING CART The treat cart is rolling your way to say thank you for all you do everyday!		FRIDAY A GIFT FOR YOU Our students are so lucky to hang with you! Thank you for all you do!

**ATTENTION 2025 READ-A-THON
SUPER READERS**

**THE ICE CREAM TRUCK IS
COMING TO YOUR SCHOOL!**

LLE - THURSDAY, APRIL 24
CRS - FRIDAY, APRIL 25

WE CELEBRATE YOU THIS WEEK!



Luther Lee Emerson and The Demarest PTO present:

**4th Grade Moving Up
Celebration**

**WEDNESDAY
JUNE 18, 2025**

**LUNCH, DESSERT, DJ,
GAMES, KEEPSAKES
AND FUN!**

Following the Moving Up ceremony, there will be a celebration for the students made possible with the generous support from the 4th grade parents and a contribution from the PTO

We kindly request \$35 per student, which can be made on Membership Toolkit (demarestpto.org) by May 7th
Please also indicate on Membership Toolkit your child's T-shirt size.

If you would like to sponsor a certain aspect of the party as well, please email LLEVP@demarestpto.org



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**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

The PTO is seeking 1 volunteer for the **CRS Field Day Coordinator**. If interested, please email secretary@demarestpto.org. Please note that you must be a PTO member to volunteer

for any PTO positions.



CRS had a visit from Jenkinsons Aquarium on 3/31 where they learned about penguins and met a special guest - Captain Jack!

CRS & LLE had a visit from Didgeridoo Down Under on 4/10 where they learned all about Australia and the listened to the musical vibes of the didgeridoo!

**NEW
LLE PLAYGROUND
PROJECT!**

**THANKS TO GENEROUS
DONATIONS FROM THE
READ-A-THON AND SPRING GALA
WE ARE CLOSER THAN EVER!
BUT STILL NEED YOUR SUPPORT!**

**TENTATIVELY
SCHEDULED
FOR
INSTALLATION
IN
LATE 2026**

****RENDERING IS NOT THE FINAL DESIGN**



CRS, LLE & DMS
SPiRiT
Friday 

Wear your **Spirit Wear** items or school colors (red and white) every **Friday**!

PLEASE NOTE

CONTACT US

The best way to contact us is by emailing president@demarestpto.org. If you are interested in submitting news for the newsletter, please email ptonews@demarestpto.org by Friday of each week.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Save the Date

APRIL 26, 2025 • 10 AM

Join us for Opening Day Parade!

Complimentary food and live music

All members of the community are welcome

More details to follow...



TAB & Friends of the
Library Event!



EARTH DAY

STORYTIME + CRAFT!

☀ At the Demarest Public Library! ☀
Ages 5-12 ~ No Registration Required!

Help the library create our own paper
Earth Day Tree!



APRIL 22, 2025
3:30 - 4:15 PM



DEMAREST RECREATION CAMP

June 23rd- August 1st
9:00 Am - 2:00 PM

For Students entering Kindergarten to 8th
Grade as of September 2025

\$700
6 WEEKS
DEMAREST
RESIDENT

\$800
6 WEEKS
NON
RESIDENT

\$200
PER
INDIVIDUAL
WEEK

The price will increase by \$50 after June 1st!

Registration Opens
March 21st

www.demarestrecamp.membershiptoolkit.com

Camp is located at Luther
Lee Elementary School on
Mondays, Wednesdays, &
Fridays. Tuesdays the camp
will be at Demarest Pool and
Thursdays are camp trip day.

OUR DIRECTING STAFF

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Tutor.com

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>

COMMUNITY NEWS – Cont'd



DNC CANOE DAY AND BIRDHOUSE BUILDING

APRIL

26
2025

We can't wait to see you!

Saturday April 26, 2025

NEW TIME

11AM - 4PM

Meet at the Demarest Duck Pond

Come for a fun-filled day at the Demarest Duck Pond!

Canoe Rides



Birdhouse/Bird feeder
Building



Educational
Activities with
SOAR



JOHN GOODWIN PHOTO CONTEST

ENTRIES DUE

MAY

1

2025

Entries are due by May 1st

**Adult and Child Categories
Cash Prizes!**

Winners will be announced at the June 7th Community Walk

Photos must be taken at the Demarest Nature
Center.

Digital photos are preferred and should be
submitted to: info@demarestnaturecenter.org.
Print copies can be mailed to: Demarest Nature
Center Association, PO Box 41, Demarest NJ
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