



# DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of January 16, 2023

## UPCOMING CALENDAR

### 2023 JANUARY 2023

Mon 1/16 MLK Day – No School; PD for Staff  
 Tue 1/17 COW & BOE Meeting, CRS, 7pm  
 Wed 1/18 DMS Musical Rehearsal, DMS, 3:15pm  
 Fri 1/20 Spirit Friday  
 Wed 1/25 DMS Musical Rehearsal, DMS, 3:15pm  
 Fri 1/27 Lunar New Year Celebration  
 Fri 1/27 Spirit Friday



### FEBRUARY

Wed 2/1 DMS Musical Rehearsal, DMS, 3:15pm  
 Fri 2/3 Spirit Friday  
 Tue 2/7 COW & BOE Meeting, CRS, 7pm  
 Wed 2/8 DMS Musical Rehearsal, DMS, 3:15pm  
 Fri 2/10 Spirit Friday  
 Tue 2/14 Valentine’s Day Class Party  
 Wed 2/15 DMS Musical Rehearsal, DMS, 3:15pm  
 Fri 2/17 Spirit Friday  
 Mon 2/20 – Fri 2/24 Mid-Winter Recess – No School

## NOTEWORTHY



Stay tuned for announcements about **Spring Fundraiser**, it’s about to go into overdrive!



We encourage everyone to join the **Demarest PTO**! New members can purchase membership at [demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com](http://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](http://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

Welcome back from your long weekend, **Demarest Families**! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable break, we sure did. A little birdie told us that a **Demarest VIP** just celebrated another trip around the sun. We wish our own **Mr. Mazzini** a big **happy birthday**! We hope you had a great one!

Last week, **LLE students** were treated to a whale of a good time. The **Whalemobile** swam into the LLE gym and WOW was it awesome. Students and teachers enjoyed touring, and learning, all about the whale. It’s even rumored that a certain PTO Co-president liked it more than anyone. A huge shoutout to our **cultural arts chairperson**, for bringing in such **cool and creative programming**!

Thank you to all who attended last Thursday’s **PTO meeting**. It was fantastic to see some new faces, and of course our old friends too. We look forward to seeing more of you as the year goes on. We know some of you must have both regret and FOMO, from missing it. Don’t worry, you have several more chances to come and hang with us. Stay tuned for future dates.

Calling all **DMS stage crew kids**! This **Wednesday** is the crew meeting in the **DMS cafeteria** at **3:10pm**. Come on out and learn what crew entails, it’s sure to be awesome!

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](http://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](mailto:president@demarestpto.org)

## DEMAREST PTO NEWS



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

### Cultural Arts



Thanks to the generosity of our Demarest families who support the PTO, the PTO is able to provide educational experiences, such as the whalemobile, as mentioned in the presidents' corner.



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**

Those interested in being a crew member should attend the meeting on Wednesday, 1/18 at 3:10pm at the cafeteria. Registration will be on the toolkit this week. Crew will generally meet on Friday afternoons. Please email [juliefein@gmail.com](mailto:juliefein@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns.



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

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## COMMUNITY NEWS



### Demarest Library Updates

Visit the website for more information about upcoming programs: [www.demarestlibrary.org](http://www.demarestlibrary.org) and subscribe to Miss Cara's newsletter for weekly email updates.

Register for programs at: [bccls.libcal.com/calendar/demarest](http://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

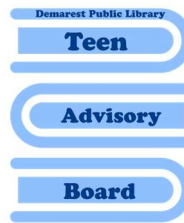
### Demarest Middle School

**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

Thursday, **January 19, Lunar New Year Storytime & Crafts, 3:30 – 4:30pm**, Children's Room, Demarest Library  
Please join us in celebrating Lunar New Year with a special story time followed by crafts and snacks.  
Best suited for children ages 3-10

Monday, **January 23, Homework Help/Reading Buddies, 3:30 – 4:30pm**, Children's Room, Demarest Library  
TAB Volunteers will be available to help students (grades K-4) with homework and/or read stories with little ones.

**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](mailto:cmclosterpack20@gmail.com) or Committee Chair Andrew Correa at [bigbearpack20@gmail.com](mailto:bigbearpack20@gmail.com). You can also contact Demarest Parents Kathleen Doshi ([kazwebb@gmail.com](mailto:kazwebb@gmail.com)) and Maxine Nakamura ([wallybella@hotmail.com](mailto:wallybella@hotmail.com)).