

DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of September 12, 2022

UPCOMING CALENDAR



September



Mon 9/12 Class Parent Meeting, LLE, 3:30pm
Tue 9/13 BOE COW Meeting, CRS, 5:30pm
Wed 9/14 Last Day of Library Volunteer Survey
Thu 9/15 Back to School Night, LLE 6:30pm

Mon 9/19 First Day of Enrichment

Mon 9/19 First Day of CRS Lunch Parent Volunteers

Tue 9/20 BOE Meeting, CRS, 7pm Mon 9/26 – No School – Rosh Hashanah

Tue 9/27









Mon 10/3 First Day of Library Parent Volunteers

Wed 10/5 No School – Yom Kippur

Sun 10/9 Demarest 5K

Mon 10/10 Columbus Day – Half Day Schedule
Tue 10/11 BOE COW and Regular Meeting, CRS, 7pm

Wed 10/12 Fall Social - Tentative, Axia, 8pm

NOTEWORTHY



Visit us at **Demarest Day!**



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.

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PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Happy Monday, Demarest Families! We hope you had a great weekend. We enjoyed seeing all of the CRS families at last week's back to school night – can't wait for the next two!

Thank you to all who joined us, for our **first PTO meeting** of the school year. You can find tons of info on our website, if you weren't able to attend. We hope to see all of you at our next meeting. Also, please visit us at **Demarest Day** – the PTO will have a table!

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 a special talent you can offer, such as accounting skills, graphic design background, or really anything — please let us know and we will find a way for you to make the most of your volunteer experience. It is a really great way to not only be more involved with your child's education but to also meet other parents within the community! So please reach out to us or anyone on the board and we would be more than happy to discuss ways for you to get involved!

An extremely easy way to help fundraise for our schools is to sign up for Amazon Smile! We know so many people in our community shop on Amazon. If you go to demarestpto.org and simply click on the Amazon Smile button – it will connect you to the regular Amazon website – however, it will note that your purchases will be supporting the Demarest PTO. A portion of your purchases which are eligible for the Amazon Smile donation will go directly to the PTO and to our schools! So basically, it's free money for our schools!

If you have not yet joined the PTO, sign up here (<u>demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com</u>). Please volunteer and get involved, the PTO welcomes you!

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

DEMAREST PTO NEWS



Looking for a great opportunity to join in and help the PTO? We are seeking new Committee Coordinators for the 2022-2023 school year.

Committee Coordinator Roles (1-year commitment):

Demarest 5K

Please contact Grace Lee at secretary@demarestpto.org for more information regarding this position.



Access to Membership Toolkit
Directory <u>is now open</u> for the 20222023 school year!

PTO Membership includes eligibility for After School Enrichment Program,

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!





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.



We hope you had a chance to train all summer because...

Demarest 5K Race Registration has now re-opened for our new race date:

Sunday, October 9, 2022

To Register Go To: www.demarest5k.org

- Registration for Demarest 5K ONLY is open.
- The Principal's Challenge Program was completed and registration is closed.
- If you already registered for the May race date, your registration automatically carried over and you are all set!
- If you can't attend the new date, please contact us at demarest5k@demarestpto.org.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at this amazing community event!

Thank you to all of our generous sponsors!

Demarest 5K Title Sponsor:



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Principal's Challenge Sponsors:







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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 via our online calendar: bccls.libcal.com/calendar/demarest

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!

Storytime & Craft: Tissue Paper Mason Jar (ages 4 and up) – Tuesday, 9/27, 3:30 to 4:00pm @ the Demarest Train Station - Celebrate back-to-school season AND the beginning of autumn with a story and a craft! They'll be making their own Fall Lanterns using a mason jar and some tissue paper! Registration is required.

COMMUNITY NEWS – Cont'd

<u>Demarest Library Updates</u> – Cont'd

October Book Clubs

1st & 2nd Grade: Tuesday, 10/4, 3:30pm 3rd & 4th Grade: Tuesday, 10/11, 3:30pm 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.

Music with Miss Nita (ages 0 to 5)

Tuesday, 10/4, 10:30 to 11:15am
Join Miss Nita at the Demarest Gazebo for some singing, dancing and musical fun! If it rains, meet at the Demarest Train Station. Online registration begins 3 weeks before the event, on Tuesday, 9/13.

Read to a Therapy Dog (ages 4 and up)

Thursday, 9/29, 4:00 to 5:00pm @ the Demarest Library Children can build confidence and practice reading one-on-one with an adorable and loving therapy dog! Children may register for one 10-minute session.



The YWCA Northern NJ is hosting their first ever book club for girls grades K – 2nd grade. A parent/guardian is invited to attend with the child during these sessions. Girls will have the opportunity to connect with other girls that share the love of reading, while also enjoying some empowerment activities. Please register at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/girls-empowerment-network-book-club-for-girls-tickets-394343009557

COMMUNITY NEWS - Cont'd



The **Demarest PTO** will have a table set up at Demarest Day this Saturday. Come, stop by, and say H!



Soccer Clinics start this week on Wednesday at Wakelee.

- Grades 1 & 2 Girls/Boys 5:30pm
- Grades 3 & 4 Boys/Girls 6:30pm
- Grades 5 & 6 Boys/Girls 7:30pm
- Kindergarten Clinic 9am at Swamp Field at Wakelee. Kindergarten registration remains open all season.