

THE PARENTS' PRESS

Duke Memorial Weekday School | December 2019



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- Dec 3: Parents' Council Meeting
 Dec 3: Dining Out at Tomato Jakes
 Dec 6: Kindergarten Open House
 Dec. 8: Children 3's-K sing in Worship
 Dec 16 & 17: Christmas Story in the Sanctuary
 Dec 20: Last Day of School for 2019

LOOKING AHEAD

- Jan 6: School Resumes
 Jan 20: MLK Holiday—No School
 Jan 27 & 28: Parent Conferences



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Dear Parents,

As we near the end of 2019, the DMWS staff would like to thank you for sharing your dear children with us. We are honored to partner with you during your child's preschool years.

December is shaping up to be busy! There will be cooking experiences/gift making/art projects as well as the opportunity for children ages 3-kindergarten to sing in worship on December 8. Planning for the 2020-2021 school year is underway. On December 6, DMWS will host a Kindergarten Open House at 9:30am. Please RSVP to the school office if you plan to attend. In January, we will hold Parent Conferences on January 27 and 28. Teachers will share information about your child's progress and distribute applications for the 2020-2021 school year. If you know of any families who may be interested in our program, please encourage them to schedule a tour of DMWS so they can learn more.

Please remember that our carline is a CELL FREE ZONE. Please refrain from exiting your vehicle into traffic when your car is parked for drop-off or pick-up. Children are unloaded/loaded from the passenger sides of vehicles. Memorial Drive is a city street and unfortunately, many cars speed as they travel by our school.

Wishing you a safe and restful holiday,

Julie Allen

Director DMWS



Registration Information for 2020-2021

Registration for next year begins on January 29. In order to hold a spot for 2020-2021 at the time of registration, you will pay a registration fee of \$75 for returning students (\$85 for new students). **All registration fees are non-refundable.**

During Parent Conferences on January 27 and 28, you will receive an application for each of your currently enrolled children. Applications for siblings will be available in the office.

PRIORITY FOR REGISTRATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

- Current students
- Siblings of current students
- Children of church members/ministerial staff
- Children and grandchildren of DMWS faculty/staff
- Siblings of former DMWS students
- Children and grandchildren of DMWS alumni
- Children of current PMO teachers and DMUMC support staff
- General Public

In order to retain priority, your completed application must be received by the **February 6th** deadline.

Tuition rates for 2020-2021 will be set by our Board of Directors in December.

Class offerings for each age level are determined by initial enrollment numbers.

Typically we are able to offer the following:

- Kindergarten (5 days)
- Pre-k (5 and 4 day classes)
- 3's (5, 4, 3, and 2 day classes)
- 2's (3 and 2 day classes)



DMWS Tuition Payments

Tuition payments are due each month on the first and past due on the tenth. Payment options include check, cash, credit card (on-line via our website) and automatic draft. Checks and cash payments are encouraged because our school does incur additional fees to process the credit card and ACH payments.



December Dining Out

Please make plans to visit **Tomato Jakes** (8202 Renaissance Pkwy #101, Durham, NC 27713) on **December 3!** Tomato Jakes will donate 20% of sales between 4-10pm to benefit the weekday school. Show the flyer below by printout or on your phone when you check out.

Join your fellow Students!

Invite Family!

Have fun with Teachers!

Duke Memorial Weekday School



Tomato Jake's

8202 Renaissance Parkway, Durham Ph-919-572-7722

December 3, 2019 * 4-10pm

Enjoy some Awesome Edibles!

It's that easy and fun to \$raise some dough\$ for your school!

Tomato Jake's will donate, to your organization,
20% of the sales generated during this event!

Did You Know?

- + Our children enjoyed Thanksgiving feasts by age-level on November 25 and 26.
- + Go Play Save Books will be sold after Worship on December 8.
- + The Book Mobile visits us on the first Friday of each month. In December, they will not be able to visit us as they will be moving books from storage into the newly renovated Main Library.
- + Additional security cameras will be added to the interior and exterior of the church in the coming months.

Thank You

Thanks so much for the wonderful monthly breakfasts provided the Parents' Council. We appreciate all you do for us!

~ DMWS Staff

Remind Texting Service

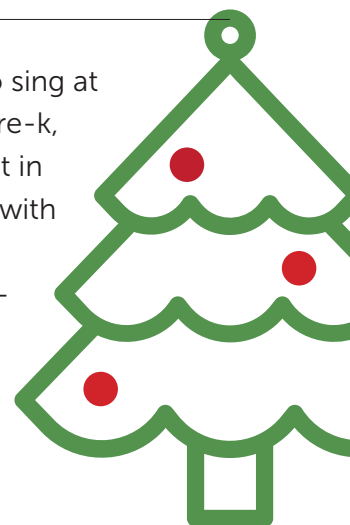
Remind is a free messaging tool to help educators communicate with parents. Parents can opt in to receive texts from the school in the event of an emergency (fire, etc). It will also be used in the event of school cancellation/delay in addition to email notification.

To receive text messages, parents should text **@dukemem to 81010 or (828)394-2095**. Parents can unsubscribe at any time.

DMWS Sings at December 8 Worship Service

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church has invited the music students of DMWS to sing at the 10:55am service on December 8. Mrs. Marsilio has begun to teach our 3 year old, pre-k, and kindergarten students two songs for this special occasion. Children are invited to sit in worship with their parents, sing, and then either return to sit with their parents or leave with childcare workers for the remainder of the service. We hope your family can join us on December 8. Please be in the Sanctuary by 10:20am so the children can have a brief rehearsal. As a special treat, the church will be celebrating St. Nicholas Day with the children.

On this morning, Go Play Save books for sale to the church congregation.



December Fitness Update

After a busy November, we are looking forward to some Christmas fitness activities. We worked off our Thanksgiving feast running through an obstacle course of a balance beam, stepping stones, tunnels, and hurdles. The students worked hard on balance and coordination. Our next fitness will be games of musical chairs using Christmas songs. Hopefully everyone will get in a holiday mood. Our last December fitness will be reindeer games where we will gallop on reindeer made from pool noodles. There will be lots of movement and action.

If you are looking for holiday ideas for your child, please consider a fitness gift such as a **hula hoop, jump rope or ball.** Other great suggestions are good fitness shoes and clothes that allow safe participation. While the boots are very cute, that footwear is not really safe for fitness. Please consider this when your child dresses on fitness day.

Thank you and happy a wonderful and safe holiday!

