

# THE PARENTS' PRESS

Duke Memorial Weekday School | January 2020



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

**Jan 6:** Return to School

**Jan 7:** Parents' Council Meeting

**Jan 7:** Dining Out at Bull City  
Burger

**Jan 9:** Science for Everyone In  
House Field Trip

**Jan 20:** MLK Holiday—No  
School

**Jan 21:** Dining Out at Pop's  
Backdoor Pizza

**Jan 23:** Storyteller

**Jan 27 & 28:** Parent Conference  
Days—No School for Students

**Jan 29:** Registration for 2020  
2021 begins

**Feb 6:** Registration Deadline to  
retain priority

Dear Parents,

DMWS is excited to welcome your children back from the holidays to a month filled with seasonal activities, a visit from the storyteller, and an in-house field trip for our older students. We truly appreciate the lovely gestures by parents and children during December. The Holiday Luncheon sponsored by the Parents' Council was so festive!

At the end of January, teachers are excited to meet with you on conference days to share information about your children and answer questions you may have. Please be sure to sign up for a conference with your child's teachers. Applications for next year will be available at conferences. Please see me in the office for a sibling application. Remind your friends and neighbors that tours can be scheduled to see our program and we invite applications from the public. Information about priority status in the registration process is found later in this newsletter and in our handbook. Applications for Tuition Assistance are available in the office at any time. For 2020-2021, Tuition Assistance Applications are due by May 1, 2020 and are handled by the Board of Directors. Emergency Assistance Applications can be submitted at any time during a school year.

Happy New Year,  
Julie



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## Registration Information for 2020-2021

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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 and registration fee must be received by the February 6 th deadline.

Tuition rates for 2020-2021 have been approved by the DMWS Board of Directors. **A 10% discount is given to younger siblings.** Class offerings are based on enrollment numbers. We anticipate offering the following classes:

- 2 day 2 \$212 per month or \$1908 per year
- 3 day 2 \$250 per month or \$2250 per year
- 2 day 3 \$235 per month or \$2115 per year
- 3 day 3 \$275 per month or \$2475 per year
- 4 day 3 \$310 per month or \$2790 per year
- 5 day 3 \$345 per month or \$3105 per year
- 4 day pre-k \$320 per month or \$2880 per year
- 5 day pre-k \$355 per month or \$3195 per year
- Kindergarten \$395 per month or \$3555 per year

## Upcoming Dining Out Opportunities!

### January 7

Bull City Burger | 5:00 - 8:30 p.m. | 107 E Parrish St, Durham, NC 27701

Place your receipt in the buckets posted at the bar and registers. 10% of sales that night will benefit DMWS!



### January 21

Pop's Backdoor Pizza | 5:00pm - close | 3710 Shannon Rd, Durham, NC 27707

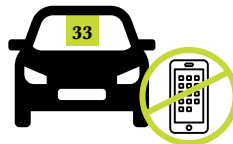
They will donate 10% of the entire sale ( Dine in, Carry out, Delivery ).



*Save the date for dining out in February!* On Feb 3rd, we will be at Chipotle on Erwin Road between 4-8:00pm.

## Carpool Reminders

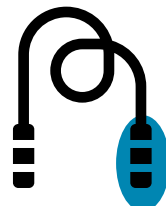
Carpool line helps us get our students in and out of the facility safely and efficiently. Please help us by prominently displaying your carpool tag (with the number facing forward) as soon as you enter the side parking lot. Our carline is a cell free zone. Please do not attempt U-turns on either West Chapel Hill Street or Memorial Drive.



## January Fitness Update

Welcome back to DMWS 2020! I hope that everyone had a safe, happy and healthy holiday. January fitness will include some review and assessment of basic movements and stretches, and throwing, catching and kicking. We will have fun with the parachute and navigate an obstacle course for balance and agility.

I challenge you to set some fitness goals for the new year with your child such as taking a walk or run, planking or pencil stars, or just spending a few minutes outside each day. Please remember to send your child to school dressed in fitness shoes and clothes for safety and enjoyment on fitness days.



# SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Duke Memorial Weekday School. Come in to the Chipotle at **2608 Erwin Rd Ste 144** in Durham on **Monday, February 3rd** between **4:00pm** and **8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Duke Memorial Weekday School.



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Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

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## Spring Carnival & Silent Auction

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**THE SPRING CARNIVAL & SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER WILL BE APRIL 4, 2019, PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!**

We do still need help organizing the Spring Carnival and Silent Auction, so please let us know if you are able to help out. We will have a short organizational session during the Parents' Council Meeting on **Tuesday, February 4th at 9:15**. Come join us if you're able! As always, kids are welcome. Specific needs include game coordinators, class basket coordinators & teacher experience coordinators for the auction. Email the PC at [dmwsparentscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:dmwsparentscouncil@gmail.com) to help or ask questions! Thanks!

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## Remind Texting Service

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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.




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## Find us on Google and Review!

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Hey DMWS Families—We all love our school and our teachers, so we need your help sharing that with the Durham community to aid with recruitment to our school. We want to continue to keep our classes full with happy, fulfilled kids. By filling out Google reviews you can help the school's marketing effort and share our own experiences with families throughout the Triangle. Parents have so many choices when it comes to choosing schools for kids—help them see why we all love Duke Memorial Weekday School!



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## Safety and Security at DMWS

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DMWS has many policies and procedures in place to ensure the safety of staff and students. Our staff undergoes CPR/First Aid/AED training every other year. You may have heard your children talk about having fire drills. Our fire extinguishers are inspected yearly and we also have periodic facility fire safety checks. Every spring we conduct a tornado drill so the teachers and children can practice their “turtle positions”. Our staff has a lock-down drill yearly on a teacher workday. Emergency information is displayed prominently in each classroom. We also have exterior and interior security cameras that are monitored by the church office.

Carpool line allows us to safely and quickly welcome and dismiss students each day by minimizing walking across Memorial Drive. Requiring the use of assigned carpool numbers allows us to be sure children leave with approved individuals.

Duke Memorial United Methodist Church helps us maintain a secure environment. Admittance to the facility is controlled in several ways. Our playground is locked during non-school hours. All exterior doors remain locked during the week. Some doors have keypads for entry. The parent code provided for you works during school hours in case you need to enter the building. Codes are scheduled to be changed on a yearly basis. Visitors to DMWS who do not have a code must be on a list in the church office for admittance on a particular day. Those individuals are buzzed in through the awning doorway.

Please help us keep the building safe by not holding the door for others to enter the building. Also help us by checking in at the preschool office if you are picking up a child early or arriving late for school. The visitor log book /name tag is for non-school visitors to the facility. Persons who work at Duke Memorial UMC (church staff, teachers, staff of non-profit organizations housed in building) wear their name badges when they are in the building so they can be easily identified.

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## Highlighting a Local Service Provider: Emerge Pediatric Therapy

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We at Duke Memorial Weekday School are very excited to be working with Emerge Pediatric Therapy as we make plans for purposeful and considerate changes to our playground, in an effort to make our outdoor play space more inclusive and meaningful. Please stay tuned for updates from the school as we work in conjunction with Emerge to create a fantastic kid-centered sensory and motor experience for all our students!!

### A little more about Emerge:

Emerge Pediatric Therapy is a fantastic local private practice that offers speech and occupational therapy in a warm child-friendly environment. Their highly-trained therapists approach each child's unique needs with the goal of fostering positive development, while also providing support and education to parents and teachers. Serving children from birth to young adulthood, Emerge's therapists are trained to meet the needs of children with a variety of concerns, including, but not limited to:

- motor delays and impairments
- sensory integration, processing, and/or modulation disorders
- developmental delays
- learning disabilities
- speech difficulties and/or language delays

If you would like to learn more about Emerge Pediatric Therapy, please visit their website at [www.emergepediatrictherapy.com/](http://www.emergepediatrictherapy.com/)



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