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# THE PARENTS' PRESS

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Duke Memorial Weekday School | January 2022

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## Mark your Calendars:

Jan 3: School Back in Session  
Jan 5: Parents' Council Meeting  
Jan 7: Book Mobile Visit  
Jan 10 & 11: 12:15pm Rising 2's open house (RSVP Required)  
Jan 12: Dining out at QShack  
Jan 17: MLK Day- No School  
Jan 24 & 25: Parent-Teacher Conferences  
Jan 26: Registration Opens for 2022-2023

## Looking ahead:

Feb 4: Deadline for Registration to Retain Priority

Dear Parents,

DMWS is excited to welcome your children back from the holidays to a month filled with seasonal activities. The lovely gestures by parents and children during December are so appreciated by the staff. The Holiday Luncheon sponsored by the Parents' Council was absolutely delicious! You have made us feel so loved!

On January 24 and 25, teachers are excited to meet with you (virtually or in person) 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 sent home via school bags this year. If you need a sibling application, let me know. 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 from the office at any time. For 2022-2023, Tuition Assistance Applications are due by May 1, 2022 and are handled by the Board of Directors. Emergency Assistance Applications can be submitted at any time during a school year.

Wishing your family a Happy and Healthy New Year,  
Julie



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## Important Registration Information for 2022-2023

Registration for next year begins on January 26. In order to hold a spot for 2022-2023 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 the week of January 18-21, you will receive an application for each of your currently enrolled children through their school folder. Applications for siblings may be requested from 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 4<sup>th</sup> deadline. After this date, enrollment will be first come first served.

Monthly Tuition rates for 2022-2023

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

<b>Two's</b>	<b>Three's</b>	<b>Four's and Kindergarten</b>
	2-day 3's - \$245	
2-day 2's - \$205	3- day 3's - \$295	4- day pre-k - \$345
3-day 2's - \$260	4- day 3's - \$330	5- day pre-k - \$375
5-day 2's - \$355	5- day 3's - \$365	Kindergarten - \$410

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## Carpool Reminders

Carpool 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



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## 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.

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## Find us on Google and Review!

Hey DMWS Families- We all love our school and our teachers, so we need your help sharing that with the durham community to air 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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## DID YOU KNOW?

- The Kindergarten Class followed clues around the school in search of gingerbread men who had escaped!
- The DMWS Christmas Market served over 500 children in the community this year. Many thanks to those of you who participated.
- Laura Tonkin (former DMWS parent) played holiday music for us on the Tower Bells on Wednesday, December 15! The children could listen from the playground and front lawn. There was lots of dancing to the music. Many thanks to Laura for this wonderful gift.
- Several classes enjoyed pajama day and “breakfast for snack” in December.

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## DMWS Inclement Weather Policy

The Director will determine if Duke Memorial Weekday School should be open, closed, or operate on a delay in the event of inclement weather or extenuating circumstances, using Durham Public Schools as a guideline.

This means we will not always follow Durham Public Schools.

Factors considered when assessing whether to close, open on time or on a delay include, but are not limited to: teacher availability to fulfill Safe Sanctuaries requirements, the condition of Memorial Drive/sidewalks along Memorial Drive, and timing of the inclement weather event. Parents should check for cancelations/delay information on WTVD and WRAL. Attempts will be made to notify all families by email and Remind text. The decision as to whether or not Duke Memorial Weekday School opens on a delay will be made with the utmost consideration of safety of all of our families and staff members. Duke Memorial Weekday School will build up to 4 makeup days into the school calendar. Use of these makeup days is at the discretion of the Director.