
THE PARENTS' PRESS

Duke Memorial Weekday School | February 2022

Mark your Calendars:

Feb 2- Parents' Council Meeting
Feb 4- Priority Registration Deadline
Feb 7-18- DMWS Canned Food Drive
Feb 16- Dining Out at Dame's Chicken and Waffles 3-8pm
Feb 28 & Mar 1- Staff Development/Teacher Workday

Looking ahead:

Mar 28-Apr 1- Spring Break

Dear Parents,

February is such an exciting time at DMWS! The children love to share Valentines with their classmates. To show love to our community, DMWS will have a canned food drive to benefit the food pantry at Urban Ministries of Durham. Be sure to turn in all applications with the registration fee by February 4 to retain priority in the registration process. Let your friends and neighbors know we are enrolling for the fall. Word of mouth is the best advertisement! While we are not currently doing in person tours, I am glad to give families a tour by either ZOOM or FaceTime.

Our staff enjoyed conferencing with you in late January to share information about each child's progress. If you wish to schedule an additional conference later in the year, please contact your child's teacher.

Calling all summer campers! DMWS will offer 3 sessions of camp for children who are rising 3's through rising first grade. Camp dates are June 20-24, July 11-15 and July 25-29 runs 9am-12:30pm daily. Applications will be sent home in late February.

Peace,
Julie



DMWS Canned Food Drive

Each February, DMWS sponsors a canned food drive to support the Food Pantry at Urban Ministries of Durham. This year, students may bring in canned food items between Feb. 7 and Feb 18. We will line the hallway with the donations and students will be able to use the cans for math activities before we bag them to be donated. The children love seeing the items fill the hallway. Thanks for your support!

PMO Enrollment

Duke Memorial Parents' Morning Out (PMO) will begin enrollment on February 14, 2022. PMO's mission is to create a compassionate, safe, and nurturing Christian environment for infants, toddlers, and their parents. Our program operates Monday- Friday from 9:15 am- 12:45 pm. PMO accepts children 8 months old- 3 years old. Children that turn 3yo before August 31, 2022 are ineligible for enrollment. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a tour, reach out to Annie Barrow at annie.pmo@dukememorial.org.

DMWS Summer Camp 2022-SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars for DMWS Summer Camp! This summer, DMWS will offer 3 weeks of camp. You will be able to sign up for one, two or three weeks. Week 1 will be June 20-24. Week 2 will be July 11-15 and Week 3 will be July 25-29 from 9am-12:30pm. Campers will enjoy a variety of activities including daily music and fitness opportunities. All campers bring a lunch. Tuition for camp is \$185 per week. Camp is open to rising 3's through rising first graders.

Did you know?

- In music class, children have enjoyed learning about Lunar New Year. They played instruments along with special music and had a dragon parade.
- During their study of penguins, our kindergarten class pretended to be Emperor Penguins. They tried walking while protecting their eggs!
- DMWS recently received a generous donation toward our Connie Eva Scholarship Fund. This fund is in memory of long time kindergarten teacher Connie Eva.
- DMWS continues to expand our library collection. Recent purchases include a book on the life of Marian Anderson, A Gift for Amma, Market Day in India and Jabari Tries. We have also purchased several books in the “I Look Up To. . .” series- including books on Ruth Bader Ginsberg, Malala Yousafzai and Serena Williams.

Spring Virtual Silent Auction

The Spring Virtual Silent Auction will be here before we know it! While the date has not yet been determined, we are seeking help from our DMWS community.

Here’s how you can help:

- +JOIN our auction planning team (we’re nice and it’s pretty fun- not to mention it is a BIG fundraiser for our school).
- +DONATE an item or service to the auction.
- +SUGGEST individuals or businesses who may be able to donate an item or service and CONNECT us.

Please feel free to contact Parents Council at dmwsparentscouncil@gmail.com.

Playground Meet-Ups

Last month, the Parents' Council organized two playground meet-ups during the teacher workdays. It was so fun to be outside, have the kids burn off some energy, as parents met and chatted. We thought it was a great success, and a wonderful way to put faces with names in a time where it has been hard to do so. We will have our next playground meet-up at Burch Ave park on Tuesday, March 1 at 10:30 a.m. This is a DMWS teacher workday. We will also schedule meet-ups during our Spring Break, so look out for those dates. Please join us!



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Valentines Doughnut Fundraiser

We have a yummy fundraiser happening next week for Valentine's Day. We are partnering with Early Bird Donuts on Erwin Rd. to provide a special Valentine's Day-themed mixed dozen to our community and supporters. Feel free to share with family and friends!!



How it works:

- Pre-order a dozen (or more) Valentine's themed donuts (\$21.99 + tax) and 20% of the sales will go to the Duke Memorial Weekday School's Parents' Council!
- All you have to do is email orders, including your name, to ebirdonuts@gmail.com by Thursday, February 10th, making sure to indicate in the subject line you're with DMWS, and you will be sent an invoice to pre-pay.
- Then, on Friday February 11th you can pick up your orders at their location, 2816 ERWIN RD. SUITE 101 Durham, NC 27705, between 8am and 12pm.

Here is the link to the Facebook event on Early Bird's page if you'd like to share!!

<https://fb.me/e/3u4ZACQ2m>

Thanks!
Parents' Council