
THE PARENTS' PRESS

Duke Memorial Weekday School | April 2024

Mark your Calendars:

Important Dates:

April 1: No School - holiday
April 3: Parents' Council Meeting
April 4: Wild Tails NC visit for K and Pre-K
April 10: Duke Gardens Field Trip for K and Pre-K
April 17 & 18: Class Photos
April 19: Board Meeting
April 29: Staff Meeting NO LUNCH BUNCH

Looking ahead:

May 22: Last Day for Students
Sept 3: Parent Orientation
Sept 4: First Day of School

CAMP DATES:

June 24-28
July 15-19
July 22-26
July 29-Aug 2



Dear Parents,

April will be a busy time at DMWS! Plans include a field trip for K and Pre-K children to Duke Gardens, our annual Carnival/Silent Auction, class photos (taken on the front lawn), and units of study on plants and insects - including the opportunity to see the life cycle of a painted lady butterfly! During April and May, each class will invite parents to a special event. Be sure to read the monthly calendars and weekly updates from your child's class to find details about these and other events.

Thank you for your cooperation in following our carpool procedures. Our protocols have been developed with safety and efficiency in mind. Please do not block the bike lane/bus stop/intersection on West Chapel Hill St. and remember to always have your carpool number with you as you pick up. For safety reasons, do not make a U-Turn out of your carline spot. To exit from Memorial Drive directly onto Gregson St. you will need to circle through the paved parking lot. Alternatively, you may exit onto Duke St. and circle the block to access Gregson St.

DWMS is fortunate to have a tuition assistance program. Applications for yearlong assistance are due by May 1 of each year while emergency applications can be submitted any time there is a need. Please contact the office if you would like to apply. All applications remain confidential.

Peace,
Julie Allen



Spirit Week Is Here!

Join us as we celebrate DMWS Sprit Week leading up to the Carnival/Silent Auction on Saturday April 13.

April 8: PJ Day - wear your pajamas and don't forget your sneakers!

April 9: Wacky Tacky Day

April 10: Crazy Hair or Hat Day

April 11: Silly Socks Day

April 12: DMWS DAY- Wear your school shirt or colors from our logo (red and yellow)

DMWS Summer Camp 2024

DMWS Summer Camps registration are filling up! If you have not yet registered your child, be sure to do so soon. If you need a form, please contact the office.

Camp is for children who are RISING 3's through RISING 2nd graders. Dates are:

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Camps run 9-12:30 daily. Cost is \$190/week. Campers will enjoy a variety of activities including music and fitness opportunities. All campers bring a lunch. DMWS will provide snack. Themes for camp weeks will be announced later.

2024-2025 Openings

DMWS has limited space available in our program for next year. For classes that are currently full, DMWS keeps a waiting list. Please let your friends and neighbors know we have openings. To schedule a person tour, interested families can contact DMWS at julieallen@dmws.org or 919-688-5130. Remember: one of the best forms of advertisement is "word of mouth"!

DID YOU KNOW?

- Wild Tails NC located in Snow Camp will be bringing some special animals to visit our K and Pre-K classes. Wild Tails houses a diverse collection of displaced exotic animals who serve as educational ambassadors.
- Holly Speight will be retiring at the end of this school year. She has been the 4 day pre-k teacher at DMWS for 26 years! She will be greatly missed.
- Directors from area preschools met at DMWS on March 19. They enjoyed visiting our playground at the conclusion of the business meeting.
- The Parents' Council treated teachers to a "biscuits and fruit" breakfast on March 20. It was delicious!!!

Advertisements



Come see **Durham Ballet Theatre's** ballet production of **Peter Pan** on May 18th at the Carolina Theatre! Showtimes are 3pm and 6pm and are family friendly. Two of the cast members are DMWS alums and a DMWS parent is also performing!

You can buy tickets directly from the theatre here: <https://www.durhamballettheatre.org/2024-season>

Or feel free to contact Anna Victoria Martinez-Saltzberg (aka Alexandra's mom, Mrs. Thompson 5-day preK) annavictoriamartinez@gmail.com

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