
THE PARENTS' PRESS

Duke Memorial Weekday School | May 2026

Mark Your Calendars

May 4-8: Teacher Appreciation Week

May 6: Field Trip for K & Pre-K to
Carolina Theater

May 8: Parents' Council Meeting

May 15: Board of Directors Meeting

May 18: All Students Dismiss at noon
No Lunch Bunch

May 18: Field Day for K & Pre-K

May 19: Water Day for K & Pre-K

May 20: Last Day for Students

Looking Ahead

Sept 8: Parent Orientation

Sept 9: First Day of School



Dear DMWS Families,

Thank you for sharing your sweet children with us this year. The staff has enjoyed watching your children learn and grow. We will certainly miss the children moving to other schools next year.

The Carnival and Silent Auction/Raffle in April was so much fun! Many thanks to our wonderful Parents' Council for their work in making this annual event such a terrific success. Once again, the auction items and raffle baskets were amazing! The bounce house and carnival games were also a big hit. Monies raised by our Parents' Council support our Tuition Assistance Fund and enable us to make special purchases such as the caterpillars/butterflies for each class, new toys, and special art supplies. Our Parents' Council also hosts hospitality events for the staff.

Please let your friends and neighbors know that DMWS continues to enroll children until classes are filled. We also keep a waiting list in case spots open during the summer. At this time, we have a few spots for 3 year olds and a spot in kindergarten. Word of mouth is the best form of advertisement!

A few Summer Camp spots are still available, so book your child's spot if you haven't already done so. More information on camp weeks is found later in this newsletter. Contact the school office if you need a registration form.

Enjoy your summer!

Julie



DMWS Summer Camp 2026

DMWS Summer Camp is almost full! There are a few spots remaining. Please contact the office to check on availability. Camp weeks and themes are listed below. Additional information will go to enrolled families closer to their chosen weeks of camp.

June 8-12	Polar Plunge
June 22-26	Castles
July 6-10	Fun with Food
July 20-24	Disney
July 27-31	Colors of the Rainbow



2026-2027 Parents' Council

Parents' Council helps make so much of what we love about our school possible, from community events to teacher support and meaningful fundraisers. These events and initiatives only happen with the help of our school families. We encourage each family to find one way to plug in, big or small, throughout the year. No experience is needed, and many roles can be done from home or outside of school hours. And for most roles, attending each meeting is not required. If you have a question about a role, please reach out via email to dmwsparentscouncil@gmail.com! We are happy to answer any questions you might have!

Ideas for Activities with Your Children

Play is the work of childhood. ~Jean Piaget

Need some ideas for things to do with your children? Here are some fun activities to try this summer.

- Ice Excavation: Freeze small toys or plastic letters in a block of ice and have kids melt them with warm water and spray bottles.
- Water Painting: Give your child a small bucket of water and a paintbrush. Have them paint a sidewalk, deck, etc
- Make a Book: Take photos around your house/yard and print them. Adhere photos to paper and let your child dictate a story using the photos
- Nature Scavenger Hunt: Search for items in nature that correspond with certain letters or colors.
- Pool Noodle Activity: Cut different colors of pool noodles into 1 inch rounds. Place in a tub of water. Stack the noodle pieces to make patterns. You can also collect other items and play "Sink or Float" with each.



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