



Just the Facts

Dwight-Englewood Lower School

October 18, 2024

Upcoming Dates:

Date	Event	Details
October 21	Spirit Week Pajama Day	Students are welcome to come in their pajamas to kick off Spirit Week
October 25	Spirit Day	Students are encouraged to wear Bulldog Gear or D-E colors.
October 31	Project L.E.A.D.	See information below. K-5 parents are welcome to view the parade line in person at 8:45 a.m. near Purple playground and Swartley. Parking is in the Upper School lot.
November 1	Diwali	SCHOOL CLOSED

SPIRIT WEEK

D-E is celebrating Spirit Week the week of October 21st!

Monday, October 21: Pajama Day- All Lower School students are welcome to come in their pajamas.

Friday, October 25: Spirit Day- All Lower School students are encouraged to wear Bulldog Gear or D-E colors.

PROJECT L.E.A.D.

Project L.E.A.D. (Literary, Exploration, and Adventure Day) is quickly approaching, and this year it falls on **Thursday, October 31st**. Project LEAD offers students a chance to engage with books and characters creatively, sparking interest in reading while having fun. Please do not send in any type of food for the class, including candy.

- **Kindergarten through 5th Grade** students are invited to dress as their favorite book character.
- **Preschool students** will cheer on the Lower School parade and look forward to participating in the parade when they are in kindergarten.

Guidelines for costumes:

- Aside from the parade, we will follow our regular school day schedule; costumes should not interfere with daily school activities.
- No full-face coverings.
- Costumes must be appropriate for all ages—our youngest students, starting at age 3, will be watching the parade, so please nothing potentially frightening
- Avoid costumes that represent stereotypes

NURSE'S NOTES By Mrs. Maureen Krane RN, Lower School Nurse

As the cold weather settles in, it's time to try on all our winter coats. As you sort through, please remember our Lower School coat drive. All gently used coats, scarves and gloves collected will go to our local neighbors. All sizes are accepted. You may drop off any time; there is a bin located outside of the Health Office.

With rain and snow comes wet playground equipment which, in turn, means a wet child. Please be sure your child has a change of clothes in their locker, choosing a non-favorite pair of pants, shirt, underwear and socks. This applies to children in all grades, not just the youngest. I do not have clothes in the health office and would have to call home for a change should your child get wet.

Additionally, please tuck a warm hat and gloves in your child's coat. We go out several times a day, and all students are expected to go outdoors, unless medically contraindicated. When snow arrives, add boots and snow gear for some outdoor fun! This time of year the chapped lips have begun, so please put a chapped stick in your child's coat or backpack

We have already had cases of colds and stomach viruses. Often it is difficult to decide when to send them to school and when to keep them home. If your child is not feeling well, excessively coughing and blowing their nose, please give them a day of rest at home. The little ones may not be able to take care of their heavy runny noses, and in this instance please keep them home until the runny nose has resolved. Finally, if your child has vomited or experienced diarrhea in the evening or overnight, please have them stay home for the day.

If your child is late due to a medical appointment, please submit a note from the doctor. Lateness due to medical appointments will be marked as late excused.

Please see the Nurse's Corner on the D-E webpage to review the guidelines for illnesses and school attendance. The link is: [Nurse's Corner: Health Office Information; Absences, etc](https://www.d-e.org/academics/student-support-services/nurses-corner)
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As always, please call me with any questions at the health office, 201-227-3162