



Just the Facts

Dwight-Englewood Lower School

November 17, 2017

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 21 Tuesday** Last Day before Thanksgiving Holiday
- 22-24, Wed.-Fri.** Thanksgiving Holiday – **SCHOOL CLOSED**
- 28 Tuesday** Communicating With Your Children About Growth & Development – See attached
7:00 – 9:00 p.m. - Drapkin Hall Lower School Gymnasium

DECEMBER

- 8 Friday** No Classes – Professional Day
- 12 Tuesday** Pajama Day for all Grades

PAJAMA DRIVE...

Do you like to snuggle up with a good book in your pajamas at night? Well so do many people, but not everyone is able to do this. That's why the Lower School is having a very special pajama drive to gather pajamas for children and adults who are living in group homes, shelters and orphanages. Please donate new, warm pajamas (any size from newborn to adult). Pajamas must be in complete sets or nightgowns and must be intended to be worn as pajamas, so they are flame retardant and safe. The bins are located in front of Ms. Bryan's desk. The drive ends on December 12th.

Now here's the best part... for each pair of pajamas we collect, Scholastic will donate a new book to the organization that receive our donations! The Lower School faculty and students will wear pajamas on Tuesday, December 12th, to celebrate what has been accomplished by working together to help those less fortunate.

BUS TRANSPORTATION ON 12/7/17...

A reminder to Lower School parents of students who travel by bus except those students on the Hoboken or Weehawken bus.

Parents will be receiving a letter advising them that their child's bus will be leaving at 1:50 p.m. on Thursday, 12/7/17. If you are not able to pick up your child or make arrangements with a carpool or other transportation company, please know that your child may take the bus home, departing at 1:50 p.m. on Thursday. Because of the disruption this will cause for your child, it is not encouraged. Please contact Ms. Bryan to tell her how your child will be getting home on 12/7/17. Ms. Bryan can be reached at 201-227-3220 or via email at bryand@d-e.org.

Again, this **does not affect the Hoboken or Weehawken bus students**. Their buses will be on their regular schedule and will leave campus at 3:30 p.m.

ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE... Deadline Extended

C.O.D.E.S. is once again hosting the All School Thanksgiving Food Drive. They are collecting canned and non-perishable food, gift certificates to grocery stores, and money. The food will be delivered to the Center for Food Action. Parents are asked to drop off food items in front of Ms. Bryan's counter by November 20th. Lower School families have always been very kind and are thanked in advance for their generosity.

D-E CODES Club

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE 2017

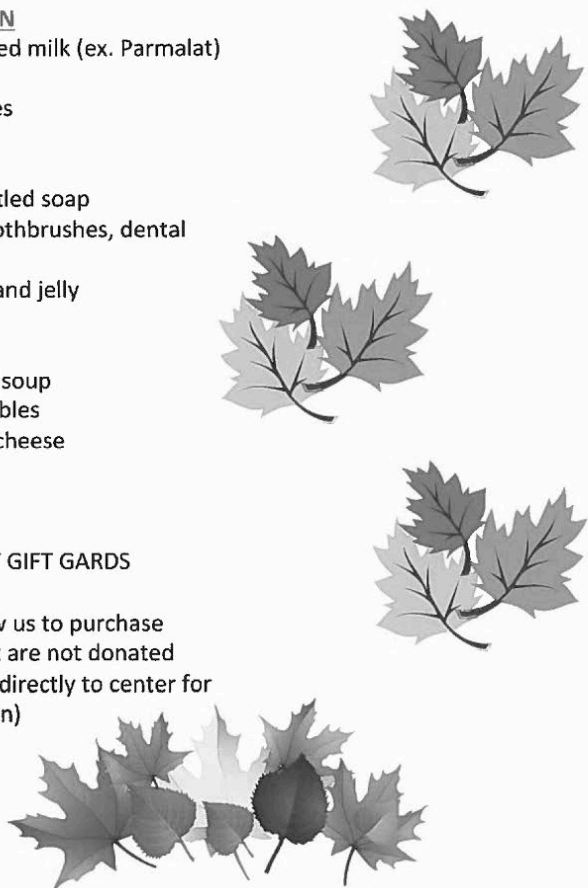
ITEMS TO BRING IN

- Powdered/boxed milk (ex. Parmalat)
- Canned fruit
- Instant potatoes
- 100% juice
- Baby formula
- Bar and/or bottled soap
- toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Tomato sauce
- Canned meat
- Canned hearty soup
- Canned vegetables
- Macaroni and cheese
- Cold cereal
- Oatmeal

• SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS

• CHECKS

- Both allow us to purchase items that are not donated (funds go directly to center for food action)



NOVEMBER 6 – NOVEMBER 17

CODES: Community Outreach at Dwight-Englewood School

Questions? Email murphd@d-e.org | d-e.org



Parents' Association News

11/17/17

THANK YOU!

It is with heartfelt appreciation that we thank former Lower School and now Middle School parents, Nancy Serpico and Ani Ozgun for leading a fabulous Lower School Book Fair this past week. Their years of service volunteering for the Lower School is legendary and truly appreciated by everyone in our community. Additional huge thanks to **all** the amazing Book Fair committee and volunteers who worked tirelessly together to help engender a love of books in our youngest cohorts! Special thanks to committee leaders *included but not limited to:* Karen Clune, Joyce Qin, Dimple Kabadi-Berger, Jackie Kernisan, Patricia Miriam MacLean, Catherine Eby, Salima Lihanda, Jieun Yoon, Jesal Vora, Tina Tripodi, Saba Nwankpah, Kristina Peremen, Adrian Fisher and Nese Arslan. Some say it "takes a village", however, when it comes to the Book Fair it takes a small metropolis, and everyone's participation makes a huge difference!

GUINNESS WORLD RECORD

If you did not get a chance to purchase one of the three different Guinness Books that were available on Monday night, and you would like your child to have one, the PA is able to make arrangements to get the book into your child's backpack within the next week with an email from you approving the charge for the book to go onto your smart tuition bill. Please email Nancy Serpico at nserpico@aol.com for more information. (Available until November 28.)

Guinness World Record 2018 Annual Edition: retail price \$28.95

Guinness World Records Gamer's Edition: retail price \$14.99

Guinness World Records Amazing Animals: retail price \$14.99

MORE ON YOUR BOOK FAIR SHOPPING LIST?

Did you miss the Book Fair or have more on your list? There is still time to support the DE Book Fair by shopping online until November 28.

Go to scholastic.com/fair, choose New Jersey, then Englewood. Then under: Shop online until 11/28 press Shop Now. Books will be shipped to school for free. Book Fair ends the on 11/28.

BOOK FAIR 2018

Interested in being on the committee for Lower School Book Fair 2018? Contact Bev and/or Bonnie now as planning begins as early as Dec 2017!!

UPCOMING EVENTS!



Lower School Talent Show: Friday November 17, 6:00- 9:00 pm - Schenck Auditorium
Dumplings at 6 pm, Show at 7 pm, Ice Cream at 8:30 pm! JOIN US!

please see attached flyer

Lower School Skating Party: Sunday March 4, 2018, 4:15-6:15, Ice House Hackensack
more information will be forthcoming in the next few months

attached: Talent Show Flyer

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Communicating With Your Children About Growth & Development

Tuesday, November 28 Parent Only Event - 7:00 PM

Lower School families are invited to attend an educational health and wellness workshop, aimed at strengthening parent-child communication on topics related to health, development, and sexuality.

The evening will begin in Drapkin Hall Lower School gymnasium and then break out into groups as described below. Our guest speaker will be Rebecca Yun, Ph.D, a licensed clinical psychologist and certified school psychologist specializing in the treatment and diagnostic evaluation of children age 2+. Dr. Yun presently works as a supervisor and staff psychologist at Fairleigh Dickinson University, returning periodically as an adjunct professor within the Master's and Doctoral programs. Previously, she served as the clinical coordinator at FOCUS Children's Therapy Center. Dr. Yun maintains a private practice in Cresskill, NJ offering psychotherapy, psycho-educational and neuropsychological assessments.

Please RSVP if you plan to attend to Dr. Penina Bukiet at bukiep@d-e.org.

Kindergarten-Grade 3

Promoting Successful Parent-Child Communication Regarding Health and Development

(Dr. Rebecca Yun, Guest Speaker)

Key topics will include:

- Understanding physical, sexual, and socio-emotional development in children
- Implementing strategies to promote positive and open conversations surrounding health and growth
- Helping children better understand changes within his or her body and develop self-acceptance
- Identifying common "pitfalls" that might disrupt successful communication

Grades 4-5

How Can I Be An Askable Parent?

Promoting Healthy Dialogue around Health, Wellness and Sexuality

(Kim Lewis, Lower School Principal and Dr. Penina Bukiet, Lower School Psychologist)

Key Topics will include:

- Overview of school-based life skills lessons on the topic of growth and development
- Understanding various factors that shape our values around sexuality
- The ABC's of being an Askable Parent - how can I keep the lines of communication open with my child?



D-E's *got* Talent

Friday, November 17, 6:00 - 9:00 PM
Schenck Auditorium

Come see the many talented performers of the Lower School!

Attention Performers

Mandatory Show Rehearsals:
Thursday, November 16, 3:30 - 6:30 PM
Friday, November 17, 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Performer Registration opens Wednesday, October 18, 2017.
Look for the Registration Form/Permission Slip in *Just the Facts*
on Friday, October 13 or online at: lsnotes.d-e.org!
There are 20 performance slots available to the first 20 acts who register.
Any additional acts will be placed on the wait list.

For questions, contact Fernanda Pimenta, (201) 565-6262, nandamvp@icloud.com

