



# Just the Facts

Dwight-Englewood Lower School

October 6, 2017

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### OCTOBER

13 Friday	Photo Day (Parents' Association Event)
14 Saturday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Kraut's Running of the Bulldogs
16 Monday	Preschool 3 parent forum in Hulst House at 8:30 a.m.
17 Tuesday	Preschool 4 parent forum in Hulst House at 8:30 a.m.
19 Thursday	Kindergarten parent forum in Hulst House at 8:30 a.m.
20 Friday	1 <sup>st</sup> grade parent forum in Hulst House at 8:30 a.m.
23 Monday	Professional Day – <b>No Classes</b>
25 Wednesday	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade parent forum in Hulst House at 8:30 a.m.
26 Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade parent forum in Hulst House at 8:30 a.m.
27 Friday	4 <sup>th</sup> grade parent forum in Hulst House at 8:30 a.m.
28 Saturday	Admissions All School Open House
29 Sunday	Halloween Spooktacular (Parents' Association Event)
31 Tuesday	Project L.E.A.D. – see letter attached

### NURSE'S NOTES...

By Mrs. Maureen Krane RN, Lower School Nurse

Once again I am collecting gently used winter coats for NJ Cares. This organization collects coats, dry cleans them, and then distributes them to needy women, children and men throughout New Jersey. I have been told by the participating cleaners that the donations made each year by the parents here at the Lower School have made a dramatic impact in the drive. As we enter the fall and winter months, please sort through your coats that are no longer used by your family and think about donating them to our drive. You may drop coats off at my office at any time. If you have any questions, please call me at the school at 201-227-3162.

There is no PA Page this week.



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Dear Families,

On Tuesday, October 31, 2017, the Lower School will participate in a school-wide project called **Literary Exploration & Adventure Day** (or L.E.A.D.) On this day, we invite and encourage students and faculty to come to school dressed as their favorite literary character or author. As you can imagine, the possibilities for this activity are endless.

From the earliest moments students enter Dwight-Englewood as preschoolers, they are immersed in literature through storytelling, read alouds, and other interactive work. As they progress through the Lower School, students learn to think more deeply about the characters in their books, to step into the shoes of these characters, to empathize with them, and to anticipate how the characters will act as well. Project L.E.A.D. will joyfully reinforce these ideals as students physically and dramatically immerse themselves in beloved literary characters.

The goals of Project L.E.A.D. are to:

- further foster and encourage a love of reading in our students
- provide yet another opportunity for students to engage their creativity
- spark new interest in books, characters and authors
- satisfy our students' desire to express themselves
- serve as a “kick-off” for the November Book Fair

Although many of us will be dressed in character, our school day will operate on a normal schedule. The presence of so many and varied characters and authors will enhance our instructional time, and it will also provide a springboard for student conversation during lunch and recess time. Please see the reverse side for more specific details about this very special day and help our students to “L.E.A.D. by example...”

Kim Lewis  
Lower School Principal

## Literary Exploration & Adventure Day

Here are some guidelines to help your child make the most of Project L.E.A.D.

- Talk with your child about favorite books, characters or authors.
- Help your child brainstorm ways he or she can look like or symbolize his or her chosen character.
- Costumes do not need to be elaborate. There are many simple ways to represent a character, including carrying a prop, drawing pictures and/or wearing small signs or labels that help others easily recognize the character.
- Students are asked to be mindful of the school dress code when planning their attire for the day.
- Students must be able to manage their own costumes for the day (i.e. large, ornate costumes will interfere with a student's ability to attend to lessons during the day).
- Many teachers will be on hand to take keepsake photographs of students in their costumes. These photographs will be made available to parents on the Dwight-Englewood Facebook page and via *Lower School Notes*.
- Participation in Project L.E.A.D. is optional. The more characters on hand on this day, the richer the literary experience for us all!
- Due to our parking constraints, Project L.E.A.D. is for students and faculty only. Parents are asked to refrain from coming to the Lower School on this day.



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PHOTOGRAPHERS

# Picture Day!



Picture Day will be here soon...

You'll receive an online code to view and order your portraits a few weeks after picture day.

**Dwight Englewood School**

Friday, October 13, 2017

visit us at [irvinsimon.com](http://irvinsimon.com)



# 3rd Annual Kraut's Running of the Bulldogs

**Saturday, October 14, 2017 10:00 AM**

Run the 5K or enjoy the Fun Run around the D-E campus. Bring your fellow students, alumni, friends, and family to this special annual event held in memory of former faculty member and coach Jerald Krauthamer.

Visit <https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Englewood/KrautsRunningoftheBulldogs> or [www.d-e.org/alumni](http://www.d-e.org/alumni) to register.

\$20 plus a small registration fee per participant.


Questions? Email Director of Alumni, Maria Sanchez Gardner '78 at [sanchm@d-e.org](mailto:sanchm@d-e.org).

Must register by October 5 to receive a tee-shirt.



*Funds raised will benefit the Kraut Fund, a quasi endowment that will exist in perpetuity at D-E.*





D-E LOWER SCHOOL  
**SPOOKTACULAR**

**HALLOWEEN PARTY  
& COSTUME PARADE**

You are kindly invited to our spooky event  
that is just so much fun you will feel a torment!  
Be the closest to guessing the "Great Pumpkin's" weight  
and taking it home will soon be your fate!  
Feast on some yummys, bowl ghosts and play catch!  
Forget not to pick from our huge pumpkin patch!  
Face painting, craft making and music so deaf  
you'll hardly believe it is spun by our Chef!  
Now throw on your costume! Come, gather your friends!  
We've got fun to be had 'fore October up-ends....

Featuring DJ Chef Ricardo!

**Sunday, October 29th**  
**1:00 to 4:00 pm**  
**Silberfein Gym**

Parade begins promptly at 2:00 p.m.

We will have containers at the event to collect donations of gently used winter coats for  
NJ Cares in support of Nurse Krane's annual coat drive.

**Sorry, this is not a drop-off event.**

Siblings welcome!