

Just the Facts

Dwight-Englewood Lower School

November 5, 2021

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November

9 Tuesday NEW DATE - Preschool 3 Parent Forum 8:30 a.m. – under tent at Leggett Field

11 Thursday LS Band Information Session – 4:00 PM Zoom – see below

UPCOMING...

19 Friday Photo Make-Up Day – see below

22-23 Mon-Tues. Book Fair – Hajjar Auditorium – see below

24-26 Weds-Fri. Thanksgiving Holiday – **SCHOOL CLOSED**

**Please read Dr. DeJarnett's weekly email and refer to the COVID section of our website to understand the quarantine protocols. Note that if you choose to travel and your child needs to quarantine, virtual instruction will not be provided.

PARENT FORUMS

Each fall, the Parents' Association and LS Administration host a Parent Forum for each grade level. The agenda for each forum includes an introduction from the PA leaders and LS Admin, a short 15 minute presentation led by the grade-level teachers, and a welcome from Dr. Gene Batiste (Assistant Head of School for Engagement). This is a wonderful in-person opportunity to meet the leadership team, as well as see each other!

LS NOTES

Please check out this week's <u>LS Notes</u> to read more about First Grade Personal Narratives, Day of the Dead, and see photos and drone footage from last week's Project LEAD!

LOWER SCHOOL BAND – ZOOM 4TH AND 5TH graders

The Lower School Band is getting back together! We are thrilled to announce that after a COVID hiatus, we are able to resume this program. Led by Jared Newlen and Owen Caprell, the band is open to **fourth and fifth grade students** and will take place over Zoom while we still observe the COVID protocols particular to wind instruments. Instruction, pre-recorded videos and the skills of our technology department will come together to replicate the experience of performing together. Mr. Newlen and Mr. Caprell will host an information session for interested students and families over Zoom on November 11th. After this session, an afterschool day and time that allows for the greatest participation will be selected. Please see below to join the information session. We hope to see many of

our students and families there, and most of all we hope many of our students will soon be making music together! If you have questions, feel free to reach out to <u>Jared Newlen</u> and <u>Owen Caprell</u>.

Topic: Lower School Band Information Session Time: November 11, 2021 4:00 PM Eastern Time

Join Zoom Meeting

https://d-e.zoom.us/j/6235860565

THIRD GRADERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE – Annual Halloween Candy Collection

Third Graders Making a Difference are collecting extra Halloween candy for Soldiers' Angels Treats for Troops. This organization accepts wrapped candy during this Halloween season and sends it directly to service members, wounded heroes and veterans. So, if trick or treating finds your home with an excess of treats that you would like to share with this worthy cause, please <u>send in your extra Halloween candy</u>. There will be collection bins outside third grade classrooms in Drapkin Hall **until Monday, November 8, 2021.**

PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS

<u>Photo Make-Up Day</u>: Families should have received an email from Irvin-Simon with the link to view and order your photos. The Photo Make-up Day is Friday, November 19. Please contact Ms. Dorothy Bryan at bryand@d-e.org if you would like to have a photo retake.

Book Fair FAQ:

Can I shop the Book Fair online? - YES! Book Fair will also be held online starting November 19th and run through December 2nd. Great way to stock up on holiday gifts or give your teacher(s) a gift! The link will be distributed Nov 19th (LOOK OUT!).

Can I shop with my child? - Due to COVID restrictions and keeping our kids safe, while allowing them to shop for their favorite books, this year parents <u>will not be allowed</u> to come and shop with their child(ren).

Can I gift a book to my teacher? - ABSOLUTELY! You can either add money to your child's virtual wallet (information below) to spend towards your Teachers Wishlist basket while your child shops, OR choose to buy one online during the virtual book fair (link to be shared). *For those who choose to gift through the on-line Book Fair, please note that all online orders will be shipped to your home address. We are unable to accept on-line orders shipped to the school. Please send the book to school with your child once it is received.

<u>What form of payment will you accept?</u> - This year we will not be accepting CASH, but a VERY convenient feature, **ewallet**, is available to us through Scholastics to allow for easy shopping. Just follow the link (https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/parent-how-it-works.html?fairID=4938638) and set it up https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/parent-how-it-works.html?fairID=4938638) and set it up https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/parent-how-it-works.html?fairID=4938638) and set it up https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/parent-how-it-works.html?fairID=4938638)

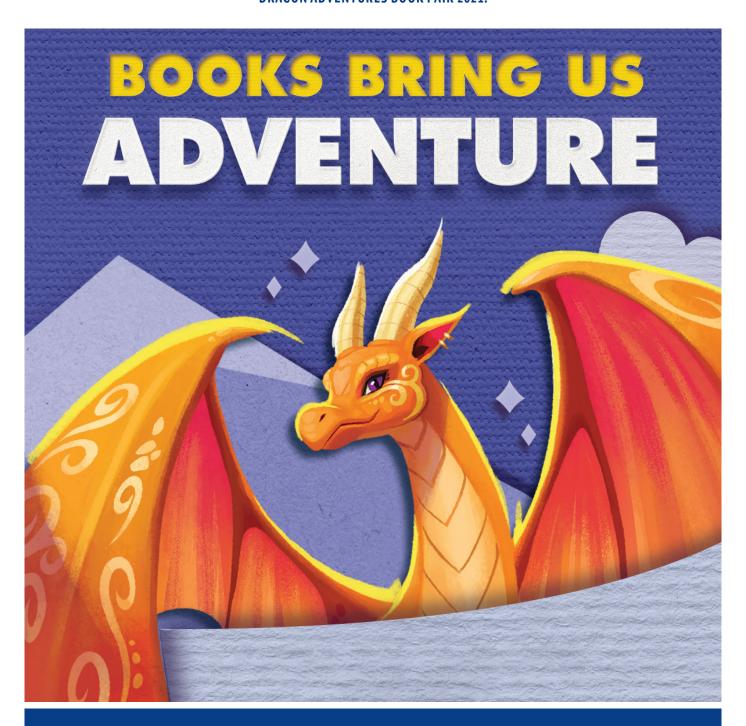
Do you accept credit cards? NOPE, but we do accept EWALLET!

When will my child bring their books home? If your child purchases books during the in-person book fair, they get to take their purchases right away! Enjoy!

Thank you so much for your support of this year's Dragons Adventure Book Fair! Book Fair Chairs

THANK YOU

As you can see from the Parent Association News, our members of the PA team have been working hard! Thank you to all the various volunteers who have helped coordinate parent forums, parent socials, our incredible Fall Fest last weekend, Photo Day and Book Fair. Your tremendous support and efforts are appreciated by the Lower School students, faculty and staff.



November 22-23, 2021
Hajjar Auditorium, Klein Campus Center

Featuring Scholastic Children's Books!



Dr. Lisa Damour

Psychologist and New York Times Bestselling Author Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 7 PM



A Parent Education Virtual (Zoom) Event

Save the Date! Dr. Lisa Damour, psychologist and NY Times Bestselling Author of <u>Under Pressure</u> and <u>Untangled</u>, also a monthly NY Times columnist, podcaster, and CBS News contributor, will be speaking with all D-E parents (Lower, Middle, and Upper School) on Zoom on Nov. 9, 2021, at 7pm about *Finding Mental Health Equilibrium for Ourselves and Our Children*. With decades of experience and research, Dr. Damour shines a light on the underappreciated value of both stress and anxiety and how to reframe and utilize them. She will discuss what mental health is and is not and how we can understand and help our kids and ourselves with our emotional well-being.



Scan QR code to Register

- The event will be on Zoom. Zoom Link & Password provided after RSVP is received. To RSVP, scan the QR Code. Questions? Email pa@d-e.org
- ➤ This event is open to all D-E parents/guardians, free admission, and recommended for all D-E Parents.
- ➤ To see more information about Dr. Lisa Damour, visit her website at https://www.drlisadamour.com/

