

Calendar

August

29 First Day of School 1-5, Parade of Learners and K Orientation! (Early Dismissal 12:55p)

September

- 5 Labor Day No School
- 8 Back-to-School Open House
- 9 Registration starts for Darien After School Programs
- 18 Back to School Family Picnic & 5th Grade Bake Sale
- 20 PTO Kickoff Meeting/ALL PTO
- 26 Rosh Hashana No School
- 30 Fall Fundraiser Walk-a-thon

From Our PTO Chairs

Dear Royle Knights,

On behalf of the Royle PTO, we are delighted to welcome you and your families to the 2022-23 school year! We hope you had a relaxing summer. Our mission as the PTO is to enhance the relationship between Royle families and the incredible teachers and staff by providing various enrichment opportunities, school-wide events, staff appreciation, and family resources. Thank you to all the parent volunteers who comprise the PTO for your invaluable time and commitment. We're looking forward to an incredible school year as this year's PTO co-chairs.

The start of the school year is such an exciting time, and the PTO has been busy preparing for a fun-filled fall, including the Royle Back-to-School Picnic, Walk-a-Thon, and parent and student socials. Please take a moment to explore the calendar on our newly updated website (roylepto.com) and subscribe to Royle on social media to stay on top of all things Royle.

Wishing your children a fantastic first week of school!

Sincerely, <u>Amy Reid</u> and <u>Dawn MacDonald</u> PTO Co-Chairs

Royle Info

Royle Spirit Wear Sale Dates

Royle merch is here and there's something for everyone! Tees, hoodies, shorts, pj's, hats, cooler bags, water bottles, coozies and more fun surprises. Prices starting at only \$10!

Come see us at one of these upcoming events: 9/8 Back-to-School Open House 9/18 Family Picnic 9/30 Walk-a-thon Supporting our school never looked so good! If you have any questions please contact <u>Kelly Phelps</u>

Fall Enrichment Darien After School

Welcome Back to School and Fall Enrichment! One of the many exciting adventures a new school year brings is the opportunity to join *After School Clubs* to Try everything and Be anything.



Join *Darien After School* at Royle for one hour before or after school for a wide variety of classes to inspire a broad span of children's curiosities. Instructors are school staff as well as local art & nature centers, business, coaches, and professionals. *Darien After School* works with Royle school staff to ensure a smooth transition directly from the school day to their *After School Clubs*!

Royle After School registration opens **September 6th at 8pm**. Classes run from September 27th - December 22nd. Don't delay in securing an after school spot!

Fall Class Schedule, Registration and More @ https://www.darienafterschool.com/Royle.html Questions? info@darienafterschool.com / 888.212.3837 or Jessica Bartch

Fall Family Photos Save the Date

Save the date for Fall Family Mini Photo Sessions taking place this year on **October 29th** with Royle family-favorite photographer Karen Morneau in Mead Park, new Canaan. See the flyer <u>HERE</u>

Mabel's Labels

It's important to make sure all of your child's items are labeled as they come back to school! Royle PTO has teamed up with Mabel's Labels for an incredible selection of labels across all price points and free shipping! Best of all, every purchase will help provide Royle PTO the resources needed to support our school. Click <u>campaigns.mabelslabels.com</u> and enter **"Royle"** in the box when prompted. Thank you!

Royalty Rewards

Did you know that the Royle PTO raises hundreds of dollars each year just by you shopping?!

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support the Royle PTO every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at <u>smile.amazon.com</u>, you'll find the exact same products and prices as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to our school.

To register your account so that Royle receives the donations, please go to <u>smile.amazon.com</u> and select ROYLE PTO as your charitable organization and then select Royle School PTO Charity to receive the donations from eligible purchases. And don't forget to reset your bookmark from "Amazon" to "<u>smile.amazon.com</u>".

Like to shop from your phone? You can still support the Royle PTO! In your Amazon app, click on the 3 lines at the bottom right side of your phone. Select "Gifting & Charity", scroll down to "AmazonSmile" and type in Royle School PTO. Easy as clicking BUY NOW! AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by customers. Please visit and support Royle School PTO!

Share Your First Day Of School Pics

Royle's Yearbook Committee would like to ask parents to share photos from their child's first day of school and the Parade of Learners. Please email your photos to royleyearbook@gmail.com. And don't forget to tag and follow@royle_pto with all your amazing Instagram posts!

Darien School District

Upcoming Board Of Education Meetings

Held at 35 Leroy Ave and available to view via Zoom and YouTube. The BOE usually posts links on their website on the day of the meetings.

Tuesday, September 13 @ 7:30 PM Tuesday, September 27 @ 7:30 PM Tuesday, October 11 @ 7:30 PM

Chain Of Communication

Questions or suggestions for DPS? Please use this Chain of Communication guide for school-related matters. **DPS Chain of Communication**

Community

Royle Cub Scouts

Darien Cub Scouts welcomes BOYS and GIRLS in grades K-5 for the 2022-23 school year! Cub Scouting is a chance to get outside, go camping, play games, try new things, and to help other people. Our first Pack Meetings are an ice cream social and bike day on **Sun**, **Sept 11th, at 1PM**, a campout at the Wolf Conservatory on **Sept 17-18**, and launching rockets on **Sun**, **Oct 2nd**! Or stop by our town wide **Intro to Cubs Party and Open House** on **Sun**, **Sept 25** at **Weed Beach**.



For all info or to join, visit our website - <u>http://pack56.darienscouts.org</u> Contact info:

This address is the best to use for cub scout things - cubmaster.pack56darien@gmail.com

Darien Arts Center

FALL REGISTRATION OPEN

DANCE includes Ballet, Hip Hop, Broadway, Lyrical & Contemporary. Claire Mazza, DAC Dance Director & co-founder of East Coast Contemporary Ballet, has curated a large new selection of over 50 classes.

VISUAL ARTS include Cartooning, Digital illustration, Digital iPhone Photography, Drawing/Painting, Mixed Media & Collage and *Caregiver & Me* for toddlers. Colored Pencil Drawing and Sip & Paint for adults!

MUSIC lessons include piano, voice, guitar & strings, flute or percussion instruments.

Group lessons include ukulele & guitar. **MARTIAL ARTS** available for Kindergarten and older.

To register, visit **<u>darienarts.org</u>** or call (203) 655-8683. The DAC is located at 2 Renshaw Road, behind the Town Hall.

Previous Issues of **The Blast** are available on the PTO website.

Important Links: Connect with Royle

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