

Hello Families,

I hope you enjoyed the weekend! Friday's notes were delayed due to the snow day. We do not have much this week.

- Photos from the Cinderella are now available for free download! Our students did an amazing job with the musical! [Winter Play - Robert Taylor website](#)
- Students will be moving back to eat in the cafeteria on Wednesday and lunches will resume as normal.
- There will be no late buses on Thursday 2/17. All students should be going home after school.
- Parents of grade 7 and grade 8 students: Please be sure to read the email, sent yesterday via Aspen, from Francis Janosco, the 6-12 department chair for English. In that email, Mr. Janosco shared your student's 2022-23 grade 8 or grade 9 English course placement, along with additional information about that process. Parents of grade-7 students, please note that the waiver form deadline is Tuesday, February 15. [Any questions, please email Francis Janosco at FJanosco@darienps.org](mailto:FJanosco@darienps.org)
- YWCA Parent Awareness and Middlesex Middle School Parent Association present: Embracing Gender Identities at Home and in School. This program is for parents of school age children who wish to learn more about gender diversity and fluidity. Studies have shown that when students feel safe to express their identities across the gender spectrum, they will be more prepared to learn and thrive in life & school. A presentation will be made by Renee Reopell, Director of Gender, Diversity and Resilience at The Child Guidance Center on February 15th at 8pm on Zoom. Registration is required at www.ywcadn.org.

Thank you and have a great week!

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