



BIRCHWOOD ELEMENTARY

Weekly Bulletin November 3, 2016

From the PTO presidents:

Wow! What a Monster Mash! We are sending a huge thank you to Tara McKenna and Jennifer Coso for coordinating the event and their whole crew of tireless volunteers for making it a success. The costumes, food, and entertainment were incredible. We are so fortunate to have such an amazing community. A special shout out to Katie and Mike Cooper for organizing the spooky story nature walk. It was so much fun and the kids loved it!

Thank you to all of the families that have participated in the coupon book, spirit wear, and gift card fundraisers. We are truly thankful for your support! Please join us next Wednesday, November 9th for our monthly PTO meeting. The meeting starts at 6:30pm in the Conference Room.

Have a great weekend and don't forget to turn your clocks back an hour on Sunday!

Jan Brown and Erin Cassady-Dorion

Directory

Thank you to all of the parents that submitted updates to their directory information. Please keep in mind that the best way to keep up to date on events, important dates, and PTO/School communications is to create your account on FreshSchools.com. Download the app and get started today! The printed directories will be distributed in the coming weeks.

Attention 5th grade parents!

Deb Foley and Sonya Ward are asking all parents to provide 2-3 digital photos per grade of your child from Kindergarten through 4th grade. We ask that you start as early as possible to look for the photos and not wait. Though our deadline is in March, we would like to share from experience that it takes time to look for 4 years' worth of photos!! If you have moved to Birchwood sometime in between those years, don't worry, we will include the photos from the previous school.

Help us make the yearbook a success and email your photos to birchwoodyearbookpictures@gmail.com. Please group photos by grade level and mark in the subject line of the email which grade the photos are from. Photos should be at least 1 megabyte for clear and recognizable print in the yearbook.

Thank you in advance!

Fall 2016 Skating Programs

Presented by Schenectady County and Schenectady Youth Hockey Association - [See the flyer here](#)

Mark your calendar!

- November 3 - Half Day (10:45am dismissal)
- November 8 - Half Day (10:45am dismissal)
- November 9 - Visiting Author Kate Messner
- November 9 - PTO Meeting (6:30pm)
- November 16 - [Concerned for the Hungry Food Drive](#) ends
- November 16 - Half Day (10:45am dismissal)
- November 18 - Popcorn Friday and School Banking
- December 2 - Popcorn Friday and School Banking