



BIRCHWOOD ELEMENTARY

Weekly Bulletin March 16, 2017

Nature Park Maple Sugaring Program



On March 9, twenty-one students participated in an after school Nature Park program and helped to tap a maple tree! The sap flowed steadily that afternoon, and we're hoping to collect enough to produce some maple syrup that could either be served in the cafeteria at "Breakfast for Lunch Day", or at least shared with the students that participated. On Saturday, March 25 (rain date: Sunday, March 26), Nature Park volunteers will boil sap into syrup beginning at 10 am in the parking lot near the Nature Park Trailhead. We invite you all to stop by to learn about maple sugaring, walk the trail to see the tapped tree and read the Storywalk "Grandpa's Sugarbush", see the sap boiling, and just visit with us for a bit! If you wish to receive updates from us about this event (eg any change in times, rain delay, cancellation, etc), please sign up for the [Fresh Schools event](#).

(Please note that this is not a drop-off event; all students/children must be accompanied by an adult.)

Fun Fair THANK YOU!

So like, a totally rad THANK YOU to everyone who helped make our Awesome 80's Family Fun Fair so tubular- Dude's you ROCKED it! Like Totally! A Rockin' shout out to Suzanne Brooksby, Daniella Richardson and Tara McKenna for Chairing. Our Gnarly 5th grade game helpers, the Coopers for the fun nature games, Lydia Eckman and her friend Emily for their mad face painting skills. Evan Brooksby for spinning the tunes. Anne Burger and Nicole Pazro for organizing the Staff Raffle. And Like, all the staff who donated such wicked prizes! Elyse Wohl our fabulous balloon artist. For all of the pizza helpers, ticket sellers and wherever we needed help- helpers. To the 5th grade JR Girl Scouts, the Burger girls and Christina Lipp for set up. JoMarie Ethier for being the last parent out the door. And like, of course, our awesome custodial crew Eric Bennett, Al Garrison and Maria. To Target for their donation of game supplies and Price Chopper for the pizza. Congratulations to our Hula-hoop contest winners and all the lucky Staff Raffle winners! Thank you for all working together for an Awesome Family Fun Fair!

Yearbook

We have extended the Yearbook ordering deadline to March 17th. Each Yearbook will be \$23 until March 17th. After the 17th of March the charge will increase to \$25 each.

For your convenience, you can place your order online at <http://ybpay.lifetouch.com/> with the order code 10694317. Or, please send payment to Birchwood in an envelope marked "Yearbook order" with the order form, your child's name, grade and teacher's name as well as # of yearbook orders.

Your child's ad in the back of the Yearbook final order deadline is also now on March 17th. Each ad is \$15 each with a maximum of 2 ads per child. Please send an envelope marked "Yearbook ad", the name of the child, grade and how many ads you would like to place with payment in cash or check. The check should be made out to Birchwood PTO. Please email the photo(s) of your child to Millie Gnatek at bradleycleo@gmail.com. Thank you for your order.

As always Birchwood parents have worked very hard at making this year's Yearbook a very special momentum for many years to come and we hope you will enjoy the many memories.

Mark your calendar!

- March 17 - No school (Superintendent's Conference Day)
- March 31 - Popcorn Friday and School Banking
- April 7 - Popcorn Friday and School Banking