

All the news from Birchwood Elementary for the week!

BIRCHWOOD ELEMENTARY

Weekly Bulletin -- January 15, 2015



Don't Forget! Please Visit the Macaroni Grill on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday January 19th.

If you visit and show a flyer, Birchwood will receive 15% of your total bill. It is a win-win situation-- you don't have to cook and Birchwood benefits! You must show a flyer for Birchwood to get credit for your purchase. Download and print a copy of the flyer [here](#). Event starts at 4PM.

Our Birchwood Concert is January 22nd at Niskayuna High School. Come hear our very own school band, orchestra, fiddle club, and chorus perform with the High School Symphony at 7pm. Admission is FREE.

Birchwood Musician Parents/Guardians, The Friends of Music is coordinating efforts needed for a great concert evening for our musicians. We only need a few volunteers, for a short period of time... if you can spare a half hour, please consider volunteering (you likely will be there anyway with your musician).

Please sign up to help at the Birchwood Concert - Thursday Jan 22!

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/ttLznD>
2. **Enter your email address:** (You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot)
3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots - VolunteerSpot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

Note: VolunteerSpot does not share your email address with anyone.

Thanks to the students and families for their continued support of Friends of Music!

Questions? Contact [Tammy Apkarian](#), FoM Liaison

It's ASEP Time Again!

Birchwood's Winter After School Enrichment Program will begin the week of January 26th.

The program was distributed last week and is now posted [HERE](#). Please sign up early. All registrations are due by Wednesday, January 21st.

If you were closed out of a class in the fall, you will be given priority for that class in the winter.

Remember: You will receive an email from the [ASEP Committee](#) to let you know whether your child is in a class or not. If you do not receive an email it means there has been a mistake: either we have your email wrong and, for some reason, it did not get bounced back, or we never received your child's registration. These emails will go out the week before classes begin.

AND Order Your Yearbook Now!

Yearbook order forms are coming home in your child's backpack. Lost your form? Print from [here](#) or try easy online ordering [here](#) (no checks to send in!). The code for Birchwood online orders is 10694315.

Take out a personal ad in the yearbook! Use this [form](#) to place your order. All ad information is due March 1, and ads are \$15 each. Make your child's yearbook extra special this year with a personal message from your family!

Birchwood's Preschool Program for incoming Kindergarten students is about to begin! The pre-k program will begin on 1/29 and end on 4/2 (Thursday mornings, 8:40-9:40). Children will enjoy story time at the media center and gym time. There will be a party at the end as well as the much-anticipated practice bus ride. Children love getting to know their school! For more information email [Soyoung Mok](#).

Need school information? Whether you're looking for a link, lunch menu, or Labels for Education sheet, you'll find it on the [PTO Website](#) (birchwood.niskypto.org). It's even searchable! Just plug in a key word to find what you're looking for. Wondrous Webmasters Kim McClive-Reed and Pennie Cuevas diligently keep the site up-to-date.

Saw it in the Weekly Bulletin? Save past bulletins in a folder in your email for easy reference, or find current and past bulletins on the [PTO Website - Bulletin](#). Online sign-up sheets and email links minimize what you need to print and send in by "backpack courier." (Printable order sheets are still necessary when payment is required.)

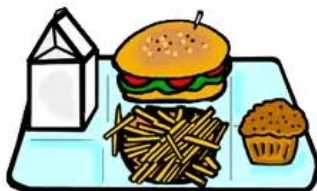
We'd love every Birchwood family to read the Birchwood Bulletin!



Mark Your Calendars!

- January 19: Macaroni Grill Fundraiser (4pm) -- SAVE THE DATE!
- January 19: No School (MLK, Jr. Day)
- January 22: Birchwood Concert (NHS, 7pm)
- January 23: Kindergarten Registration
- January 23: School Banking and Popcorn Friday
- January 26: [Winter After School Enrichment Program](#) begins
- January 27: Board of Education Meeting (VA, 7pm)

For more upcoming Birchwood events, please click [HERE](#).



Birchwood's Lunch Menu is posted [HERE](#).



Winter Fun!

Looking for exciting things to do with your family this season? Want to know the best sledding hills, cool places to skate, and more?

Check out [Kids Out and About](#) for a



It's Snowing! It's Snowing!

Cancellations, delays, and early releases will always be posted at the [District](#)

whole lot of local fun!

The District's [Continuing Education Program](#) has recently been posted!

Take a peek at winter offerings from the great Town of Niskayuna [HERE!](#)

[Website](#), on local TV and radio stations, and on the school district's [FaceBook](#) page.

Closing information can also be sent directly to your email account and/or cell phone via the district's [School News Notifier](#) (SNN) system if you have signed up for the closings and delays notification option.

Feedback? [Click here](#)

Add/update an email address? [Click here](#)

The Birchwood Bulletin is produced by the PTO Communications Committee in cooperation with the Birchwood principal and staff.

To submit information for the weekly bulletin, please email [Birchwood@niskyPTO.org](mailto: Birchwood@niskyPTO.org) by Sunday night of the week you want it to appear.

Copyright © 2014 Birchwood Elementary School PTO, All rights reserved.

You are receiving this email because you are listed in the Birchwood directory and have not opted out.

Our mailing address is:

Birchwood Elementary School PTO
897 Birchwood Lane
Niskayuna, NY 12309



Contact us:

[Birchwood@niskyPTO.org](mailto: Birchwood@niskyPTO.org)

Birchwood PTO homepage:

<http://birchwood.niskypto.org/>

Birchwood school homepage:

www.nisk.k12.ny.us/birchwood

Niskayuna School District:

<http://www.niskayunaschools.org/>

[unsubscribe from this list](#) | [update subscription preferences](#)