

BIRCHWOOD

ELEMENTARY

Weekly Bulletin -- November 19, 2015



Message from the PTO Co-chairs:

Each year, the first Friday in December, there's an Open House at Birchwood. It coincides with the last day of the book fair to allow children to come with their parents to make any final purchases they desire from the Scholastic Book Fair. The classrooms are left open that evening for the children to walk through as a tour guide showing their families all of the projects posted around the classroom, pointing out their desks, their cubbys, etc. Its a proud moment for the young ones to show off their classroom. This year to coincide with this event we will be having a craft room and a culture event (see below.).

There will not be a Bulletin next week. We'd like to wish all of you safe travels and a lovely Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

JoMarie and Jan

Birchwood's December Monster Book fair is Coming up Quickly!!

December book fair is coming up fast! This year's book fair will include a friend's and family "Grand Event" so mark your calendars! December 4th from 2-4 Birchwood friends and family are welcome to come and shop. We will do our best to hang on to every child's wish list to help make your holiday shopping easy! Can't make it? Order at our online book fair from November 25 to December 8 [here](#).

Student buying days will be December 3rd and 4th, including the evening of the 4th.

Halloween may be over but that's no reason to not invite monsters to the book fair!
Info will be going home soon on Birchwood Book Fair's monster contest!

Birchwood PTO is hosting a [Family Heritage Night](#) on Fri., Dec 4th from 5:30-7pm.

We are inviting anyone in the Birchwood community to share any family/ heritage traditions, foods, toys, games, family stories, dance, traditional clothing and/or songs from their cultures.

Sign up [here](#) if you're interested in sharing or volunteering to help that night.

Please contact [Suzanne](#) or [Soyoung](#) with any questions.

Kids Only Craft Room

Who: Children who would like to create small homemade gifts for family members

What: Volunteers will be present to help children fabricate small crafts that will be packaged

and can be gifted to family members for holidays or just because

Where: The Art Room

When: During the Open House, Friday, December 4, 5:30-7pm

Cost: Crafts will be for cost of supplies, we estimate 50 cents - \$1 per craft

FUN!



Birchwood's Open House Extravaganza!

December 4th from 5:30-7 PM

There are so many fun and amazing things going on that night.

Visit your child's classroom

Our First Ever Family Heritage Night

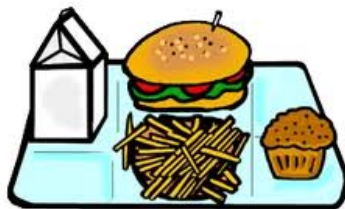
Scholastic Book Fair

Crafts for Gifts Room

Mark Your Calendars!

- November 20: Popcorn Friday and School Banking
- November 24: Board of Education Meeting (VA, 6 pm)
- November 24: Picture Retake Day
- November 25: Half Day (10:45 am dismissal)
- November 26 & 27: No School
- November 30 - December 4: Birchwood Book Fair
- December 4: Open House (5:30-7 pm)

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



Sign up [HERE](#) for Buzzable and the School Notification Network to receive news about school events, closings, Continuing Ed classes, and more.

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Look It Up On Our
[PTO Website!](#)

Don't know what's for lunch, or can't remember where to make school lunch payments? Your school calendar isn't handy, and you can't remember when the next half-day is? Not sure when to pick up your Frozen Foods order? Forgot what days the Book Fair runs? Can't make PTO meetings, but want to know what was discussed?

You can find all that information (and much much more) by visiting the [Birchwood PTO Website](#).

It's even searchable! Don't forget to bookmark the site for repeat visits.



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- [Target RED card](#) -- you get 5% off and Birchwood gets 1% of purchases
- [Box Tops for Education](#) -- collect and turn in box tops from select products to earn money for our school
- [Price Chopper "Tools for Schools"](#) -- the points you save earn free equipment for Birchwood; also earn extra points when you collect "Labels for Education"
- [Hannaford Helps Schools](#) -- for every 4 participating products you buy, Birchwood gets \$3.00
- [Labels for Education](#) -- each "Labels for Education" product you purchase earns points Birchwood can redeem for merchandise
- [Shop Rite](#) -- Register your Price Plus Club card and then shop for participating products at Shoprite using your card and earnings are

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