

Birchtree Friday Update

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Teacher Appreciation Lunches

Our teachers and staff do so much for our students and our community now it's your turn to give back.

Please sign up in the main hall to bring a crock pot of soup or a basket of bread for Teacher Appreciation Lunches the first Wednesday of each month. This is the schedule for grades to provide staff lunch:

7th grade —October 4th 2017
6th grade —November 1st 2017
5th grade —December 6th 2017
4th grade —January 10th 2018
3rd grade —February 7st 2018
2nd grade —March 7th 2018
1st grade —April 4th 2018
Kindergarten —May 2nd 2018

Crock Pots of soup or other main dishes, bread or crackers, side dishes, finger-foods, and desserts can be set up in the teacher's lounge on the morning of your assigned day and left buffet style for teachers to enjoy throughout the day. There is a request for at least one vegetarian option, so please keep that in mind.

~Thank You!

Birchtree Parents Guild



Auction Time

It's time to start thinking Auction!! The 8th grade Auction will take place on Friday November 3, 2016 at the Palmer Depot. 8th grade is asking for donations for the silent and the live auction. If you would like to contribute an item, please fill out a quick donation form in the office, attach the form to the donation and give it to the front office.

Save The Date

September 12, 2017 Kindergarten Parent night 6-7 in Ms. Celena's classroom.

September 16, 2017 Diana Z at the Musk Ox Farm

September 25, 2017 PD in-service day no school for students.

September 27, 2017 Elementary Cross Country Meet

September 30, 2017 Fall Faire at Birchtree Charter School times to be announced.

October 2, 2017 School Picture day

October 6, 2017 All school assembly

October 30 & 31st Parent Teacher conferences no school for students.

November 3, 2017 8th grade Auction

November 7, 2017 Picture Retakes

November 9, 2017 Lantern walk at Birchtree Charter school

November 10, 2017 PD In-service day no school for students.

November 23 & 24th, Thanksgiving holiday no school for staff or students.

Volunteer Opportunities:

~Birchtree is currently looking for a volunteer or someone to bid a contract for snow removal/ sanding of our parking lot through the winter months November-April. For questions please contact Vanessa Becker. If interested please submit a bid proposal to vanessa.becker@matsuk12.us by September 15, 2017.

~The music room needs to have 4 blinds installed, a perfect job for those who need volunteer hours. Talk to Mrs. Fry or Mrs. Keenan if you are interested.

~Birchtree is looking for a middle school girls basketball coach. The season starts September 25, 2017. If interested please contact Brandt Bowen by September 20, 2017. If we fail to find a girls coach we will not be able to offer this program to our middle school girls.

~Birchtree is looking for an Elementary (Grades 4-5) Boys basketball coach. Practice would be Tuesday and Thursdays possible Fridays right after school 3:15-4:30 Season Starts October 9, 2017 Please contact Brandt Bowen if interested.

~We at Birchtree understand the chaos of life. For a limited time we are offering volunteer opportunities for parents to purchase items. Each \$20.00 that you spend is equal to 1 hour of volunteer time. The school is in need of the following items: Kleenex, Sandwich size ziploc bags, gallon size zip lock bags, glue sticks, composition notebooks, loose leaf notebook paper (college ruled and wide ruled needed) pencils, pens, kids scissors, forks, spoons, baby wipes, 3 ring binders (1 and 2 inch), tape dispensers, staplers, and erasers.

Please log your hours in the volunteer computer and submit all purchased items to the front office.

Thanks!

Gratitude's and Expressions

Thank you to all of the parents that have helped out with Elementary and Middle school Cross Country.

A Huge thank you to Ms. Brianna-Kaia's mom for all the wonderful donations to our kindergarten!

Thank you to the 8th grade families who brought food in for staff on Wednesday. Its so nice to have a prepared lunch on those days.

~Reminders~

Pizza Orders are due the Wednesday before pizza day. Pizzas are ordered first thing Thursday morning. Orders received after Wednesday may not be filled.

Musk Ox Farm Concert is 1 weeks away! We are happy to invite you to the Diana Z Concert, featuring Birchtree Friends, Saturday, Sept.16th, 6:30-8:30pm, at the Musk Ox Farm. 5th grade is serving food, desserts, and tea, and 8th graders will be giving away fun prizes. Wear your dancing shoes! Please purchase tickets at brownpapertickets.com (enter "Birchtree" in search bar there) or at BTC front desk.

3rd Grade Needs

The 3rd grade kitchen needs the following food and kitchen items.

Checking the thrift stores is a great way to find many items on this list. And Bulk sized spices and grocery items, such as the ones from Costco, are needed. Please turn them into the 3rd grade.

6 wavy choppers (just like the kindergarten's)
wooden mixing spoons

6 rolling pins

5 bread pans

3 pie pans

Pie servers

2 large serving trays

Wash cloths and foil

Dish towels and cling wrap

Sponges and freezer ziplocks

Pot holders and cookie sheets



Grocery:

Bay leaves, thyme, turmeric, onion powder, cinnamon, baking yeast, large olive oil, baking powder, baking soda, flour, sugar, brown sugar, vanilla and butter.

If you have any questions please contact Crystal Helmericks, Mrs. Tran's 3rd grade lead parent. Phone (907) 250-0448 Email chelmericks@gmail.com



Thank you all for making Birchtree and 3rd grade fantastic!

September/October 2017

***Early Release days are every Thursday at 2:00 PM**

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

3	4 Labor Day Holiday no school for staff or students	5	6 Grades 5-8 Parent night 6 PM	7	8 Pastries for Parents 8:30 –10:00am	9
10	11	12	13 APC meeting 6 PM at Birchtree Charter School	14	15	16 Diana Z @ The Mush Ox Farm
17	18	19	20 BPG Meeting at 3:45 PM	21	22	23
24	25 Professional Development day no school for Students	26	27	28	29	30 Fall Faire 11-3 
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