

Note from the Principal

February 7, 2017

Dear Families,

February is off to a fast and furious start! We had a fun week last week with the Read-a-Thon opening Ceremony, 4th graders camping at Deep Portage, and 2nd graders going ice fishing. It is events like these that get us through the dull drums of a Minnesota Winter.

Since kicking off the read-a-thon, I have seen many students reading, heard students excitedly talking about the number of minutes they have read, and greeted many parents who have come in to be guest readers in classrooms. It is going to be a great month of reading!

February is also Black History month. Talk to your children about what they are learning and doing in their classrooms in celebration of this important part of our history. On February 13th we will celebrate National African American Parent Involvement Day as a part of this month. See below for more details about this day.

Please make sure to check out the announcements and important dates below. As always, feel free to reach out to me with any questions that may arise.

Sincerely,

Ana Bartl
Principal

Announcements

- **Report Cards** - These should arrive home later this week. Contact your child's teacher with any questions you have.
- **Winter Conference Sign Up** - Please use this link to sign up for conferences <http://tinyurl.com/burroughswinter2017>. We look forward to seeing any of you on February 16 and 17th!
- **Author Visit** - On February 10, Shelly Boyum-Breen, author of Shelly Bean the Sports Queen will be visiting. You are welcome to join us in the auditorium. Please see the schedule below.
 - 9:20-9:50 4th and 5th grade
 - 9:55-10:25 2nd and 3rd grade
 - 10:30-11:00 Kindergarten and 1st
- **National African American Family Involvement Day** - Join your child at school on February 13. Experience what their day is like, be a guest reader in their classroom and eat lunch with them in honor of National African American Family Involvement Day.
- **Drop off Circle** - To ensure a safe arrival to and dismissal from school, please review the drop off circle procedures on our website at http://burroughs.mpls.k12.mn.us/pick_up_drop_off. **Please only use the drop off circle if you have students in kindergarten, 1st or 2nd grades.**
- **Talent Development** - If you are interested in knowing more about the services we provide at Burroughs, please check out the talent development page on our website, http://burroughs.mpls.k12.mn.us/talent_development.

Dates to Remember

- **Monday, February 13**
National African American Parent Involvement Day
- **Winter Parent/Teacher Conferences:**
Thursday, February 16, 4-8 pm Evening Conf.
Friday, February 17, 8:00-4:00 pm (No School for Students)
- **Monday, February 20**
President's Day Holiday
NO SCHOOL
- **Tuesday, Feb 28**
5:00 pm - Site Council
- **Thursday, March 9**
Rope Power Night at Washburn
- **Sunday, March 12**
Daylight Saving Time Begins
- **Friday, March 17**
Read-a-Thon Closing Ceremony
- **March, 20-24**

Read-a-Thon Pizza/Ice Cream party Week

- **Tuesday, March 28**
5:00 pm - Site Council
6:30 pm PTA
- **Thursday, March 30**
3rd Quarter Ends
- **Friday, March 31**
NO SCHOOL
- **Monday, April 3 - Friday, April 7**
Spring Break
- **Monday, April 10**
School Resumes
Passover Begins