

Note from the Principal

March 19, 2019

Dear Families,

What a week we had last week! After all of the snow, ice, and rain I hope everyone is enjoying the slightly warmer and calmer weather. Hopefully many of you escaped any damage caused by ice dams or flooded basements. It was great to see so many of you last Tuesday at our "How to Talk to Your Kids about Race" event. Thank you to our PTA and Families for Equity and Justice for coordinating another successful event. It was a wonderful learning opportunity and really good conversations were had!

We have an exciting week ahead with the Read-a-thon closing ceremony on Wednesday at 9:30 am. Please join us if can! This time-honored Burroughs tradition and that will surely not disappoint.

With seven days left in the third quarter, this is the time of year when we begin making plans for the next school year. As plans unfold, we will be sure to keep families updated.

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

Instructional Insights

Word Study - Word study is an important part of teaching students how to read and spell. Please see the document linked here

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B2uurRrQi2cqZ0xiN01LUkxWNzQ/view> to learn about how students develop important skills such as spelling through word study and how the development of these skills can be support at home.

Meet the Burroughs Staff

Ann Kalb, Food Service Coordinator - Ann has worked in MPS for 7 years and most recently at Southwest Highschool. Ann and her husband live in the Burroughs neighborhood with two of their five children and three are off at college. Ann replaces our long-time food service coordinator, Cindy Sonju, who retired recently. She is happy to be at Burroughs and has had a wonderful first week. Please introduce yourself to Ann if you are in the cafeteria.

Announcements

- **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.**

Dates to Remember

- **March 19** - Site Council 5:00-6:30 pm, PTA 6:30-8:00 pm
- **March 20** - Read-a-thon closing ceremony 9:30 am
- **March 28** - Last day of the 3rd Quarter
- **March 29** - No School Record Keeping Day
- **April 1-5** - No school Spring Break

