

Note from the Principal

May 9, 2017

Dear Families,

To begin, I'd like to thank the PTA and its many committees for all of the support they provide us. Last week, the spirit wear and box tops committee were present at our kindergarten registration night, and on Thursday the landscape committee coordinated our spring campus clean up. It was a beautiful day for our classrooms to be outside and help to spruce up our grounds. The campus looks great! So much of what we do here at Burroughs could not be accomplished without the support and dedication of our PTA. Thank you!

The excitement and bustle of the end of the school year is in full swing. It was great to see so many of you at the band and orchestra concert last week as well as at the 3rd grade music concert and kindergarten registration. We look forward to seeing many of you and more this week at our all school picnic and at our ceremony on Friday to dedicate our auditorium to Mr. Cadotte. These next few weeks are full of wonderful opportunities to gather and celebrate the end of another school year.

Since last week, many of you have reached out to me with questions about some of the changes we are making for next school year. I've enjoyed discussing your thoughts and questions. Please continue to reach out to me as things come up. As educators and learners we are constantly learning and thinking about ways to apply our learning to improve upon the experiences we provide for our students. At Burroughs, this is a continuous process of planning and looking at new opportunities to leverage our resources in ways that will best meet the needs of our students and ensure a rigorous and safe learning environment for all.

As always, feel free to reach out to me with any questions that may arise and I look forward to seeing many families at the events of the upcoming weeks.

Sincerely,
Ana Bartl
Principal

Announcements

- **Talent Development** - If you are interested in learning more about the research/rationale behind our clustering model for next year, please check out the talent development page on our website, <http://burroughs.mpls.k12.mn.us/grouping.html>.
- **James Avenue**- For the safety of all students, if you drop off or pick up on James Ave., please do so at bus sign #8, closer to the bridge. Children can walk to the building from there. Also, please do not pull into the loading dock driveway to turn around.
- **Drop off Circle** - The drop circle is for families with children in grades k-2 only. Please review the procedures at http://burroughs.mpls.k12.mn.us/pick_up_drop_off.
- **Mindfulness Project** - If you have questions about the Mindfulness Project please contact Jen Feriancek at Jen@wiseowlmindfulness.com.
- **Arrival Time** - Unless students are enrolled in Minneapolis Kids, please **do not** drop your child(ren) off at school before 8:55 am. School staff are typically in meetings from 8:00-8:55 and are unable to provide supervision before this time.

Dates to Remember

- **Thursday, May 11**
6:00 pm - 'ALL SCHOOL PICNIC'
- **Friday, May 12**
9:30 a.m. Cadotte Auditorium Dedication Ceremony
6:15 pm - Room 235 Performance
- **Tuesday, May 16**
5:30 p.m. 4th grade Choir Concert
- **Wednesday, May 17**
5:30 p.m. 5th grade Choir Concert
- **Thursday, May 18**
1:45 pm - 'Parade of States' ~ 4th Grade/Gym
- **Wednesday, May 24**
Track & Field Day
Morning ~ Grades 3-5
Afternoon ~ Grades 1-2
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

- **Friday, May 26**
Track & Field Day 'Rain Day'
- **Monday, May 29**
Memorial Day Holiday NO SCHOOL
- **Thursday June 1**
5th Grade @ Biz Town- *all day*
- **Friday, June 2**
2:30 - Room 232 Performance in Auditorium
- **Wednesday, June 7- Friday, 9**
3rd Grade Overnights at Voyageur Environmental Center Rooms/
7-8th Rooms 346 & 357
8-9th Room 348, 351 & 353
- **Wednesday, June 7**
9:15-3:15 2nd Grade to Lowry Nature Center
Rooms 203 & 231
- **Thursday, June 8**
9:15-3:15 2nd Grade to Lowry Nature Center
Rooms 205-206-233
- **Tuesday, June 13**
9:45 am - 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony
4th Grade Choir will perform
- **Wednesday, June 14 Last Day of School**
5th Grade Picnic
1:30 Kindergarten Program