

Note from the Principal

October 23, 2018

Dear Families,

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful long weekend last week. The autumn weather and fall colors are beautiful right now! This is my favorite time of year!

We had a fantastic turn out for conferences. Thank you for taking the time to come and talk to your children's teachers. I hope that you found conferences to be a meaningful experience and opportunity to partner with your child's teacher. Also, a huge thanks to the PTA for providing lunch to staff on Wednesday! As always, it was a delicious spread!

With the first quarter of the school year almost behind us, this is a great time to reflect on, revisit, and renew our goals for the school year. Just as teachers and families have goals for our students and children; teaching students to set goals and develop a plan for achieving those goals is an important skill to learn and habit to develop in becoming life-long learners.

As we prepare for the second quarter, consider talking to your children about their goals, both academic and social, for the next part of the school year. Help them to break their goals down into achievable steps, provide feedback as they make progress and encourage them to reflect on how they are doing with their goals. The conversations you had with teachers at conferences are a perfect segway to facilitate a goal setting conversation with your child. Engaging in these conversations with children can have a positive impact on their experience both at school and outside of school.

Sincerely,

Ana Bartl
Principal

Announcements

- **Fall for Burroughs Auction** - On Friday, November 9 the Burroughs PTA will be hosting its annual Auction Fundraiser. This is one of our biggest fundraisers and fun opportunity for our adult community to connect. The funds raised from this event support so much of what we are able to do here at Burroughs. Tickets can be purchased online at <https://one.bidpal.net/fallforburroughs18/welcome>.
- **Vote YES twice for kids!** - With the election right around the corner check out this website for more information about the Minneapolis Public Schools referendum and Vote Yes twice campaign. YESFORMPLSKIDS.ORG.

Meet the Burroughs Staff

Michael Hensley, Music Teacher - Though only his second year at Burroughs, Michael has over twenty years of experience teaching music with MPS. He has also served as church music director both here and in Ohio. In addition to music education, Michael is beginning his 4th year teaching GEMS and GISE. He is the father of two wonderful adult children, a son who resides in Atlanta and a daughter in Washington D.C. Michael spends time everyday at the off leash dog park with Carl, his Rottweiler mix, 85 pound lap dog.

Dates to Remember

- **Tuesday, October 23** - Site Council 5:00 pm
- **Saturday, October 27**- Campus Clean Up 10:00 am-1:00pm
- **Wednesday, October 31** - 1st Quarter Ends
- **Thursday, November 1** - No School, Professional Development Day for Teachers
- **Thursday, November 2** - No School, Record Keeping Day for Teachers
- **Monday, November 5** - 2nd Quarter begins
- **Friday, November 9** - Fall for Burroughs Auction
- **Tuesday, November 13** - Site Council 5:00 pm, PTA 6:30 pm
- **Wednesday, November 21-23** - No School, Thanksgiving Break