



Birch Twig

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REFLECTIONS

Thank you to all the students who participated in Reflections this year! We had a great turn out and some truly incredible entries. We will be announcing the winners early February. A school celebration for all students who submitted entries will be held on Feb. 10, 2020 at 9:45 a.m.

IT'S A BOOK FAIR JUNGLE!

MINI BOOK FAIR



Please stop by the Mini Book Fair the night of the S.T.E.A.M. event to donate a book and buy a new book! No tickets necessary! This year we are once again partnering up with Book Fairies which is a non-profit organization that collects and redistributes books to schools in need across Long Island. So clean off your bookshelves and bring in those new and gently used books, baby level through adult level! For every 5 books donated your child will receive a raffle ticket to win a Gift Certificate for use at the March Book Fair. For more info please contact Tracy Lowery at glowery1@kc.rr.com.



GET WILD ABOUT READING!

It's almost time to Get Wild About Reading. Our annual PARP (Pick a Reading Partner) program begins Monday, January 20th. Look out for more information and your reading logs coming home soon including Mr. Aspetti's and Mrs. Larkin's PARP Challenge. -- Juliana Fillinger, julianafillinger@gmail.com or birchlaneparp@gmail.com.



FINDING THOSE TOPSI

We have collected over 6000 Box Tops for Birch! Thank you to all who have clipped or scanned receipts. Walmart is offering a promotion for you to earn an additional box top on every box top product until the end of the month. You can send in receipts for us to scan within 14 days with your clipped box tops. -The Box Top Committee, birchlaneboxtops@gmail.com



SEPTA NEWS

The next SEPTA meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 15th at 7:00 PM at the Senior Center at McKenna. The guest speakers will be Kristen Catalano, who will be presenting about CPSE Services, and Amy McCoy, a Long Island author of the book *Big Little Sister* and parent of a child with special needs. Amy will be discussing the topic of how to help siblings of individuals with special needs. The SEPTA Expo and Family Fun Night will take place on February 28, 2020 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. If anyone is interested in presenting or knows anyone that might be interested in presenting at the fair, please contact SEPTA. Everyone is encouraged to visit the SEPTA website to keep up to date with all SEPTA upcoming events, meetings, and fundraising. The website is [MASSAPEQUA SEPTA LINK](http://www.massapequa-septa.org).

STEAM FAMILY FUN NIGHT



Please join us for a night of S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics) challenges! This year we have added two sessions so that more families can attend! Both sessions are the same. Date: Wednesday, January 15th
Session 1 is 6:00-7:15p
Session 2 is 7:30-8:45p
Location: Birch Lane GP Room
Cost: \$5 per child (Adults are free!) To purchase tickets please go to [BIRCH LANE PTA](http://www.birchlanepta.net). Tickets available through Jan. 10th or until they sell out. Any questions please contact Kristine Magnifico at 516-428-9286



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS!

You belong in PTA! ... Spread the word!! The number one reason to join the PTA is to benefit your child. In doing so, you also help our school. It is easy to sign up! Simply go to [BIRCH LANE PTA](http://www.birchlanepta.net).

Remember: You must be a PTA member to chair, co-chair, or work on committees and attend PTA events.

– Chris Zlatniski,
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Year's Day No School	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Birch Lane Wine Down 6:30-9:30pm Johnny McGorey's	10	11
12	13	14	15 S.T.E.A.M. Family Fun Night SEPTA Meeting 7pm McKenna Sr. Center	16 BOE Meeting 8pm MHS	17	18
22	20 MLK Jr. Day No School	21 PARP Begins PTA Meeting 6:45pm GP Room	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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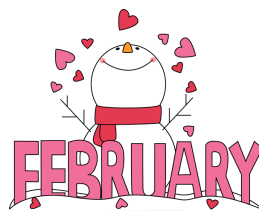
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Looking Ahead:

February 6: BOE Meeting
February 7: PTA Meeting
February 7: PARP Ends
February 10: Reflections Ceremony
February 17- 21: Winter Recess



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