



## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS!

We've set a goal: 100 percent PTA participation for every class! Sign up today at [BIRCH LANE MEMBERSHIP](#) (\$10 individual/\$6 additional family members). Remember: You must be a PTA member to chair, co-chair, or work on committees and attend PTA events. [membershipbirchlaneppta@gmail.com](mailto:membershipbirchlaneppta@gmail.com)



## LET'S GET CLIPPING!

Did you know you can download the box top app and scan your receipts to earn money for Birch Lane? Follow the link below to find the QR code and download to start earning. [Box Top Link](#)



## WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

Birch Lane Elementary is participating in Walk to School Day on Tuesday, October 4, 2022. International Walk to School Day is a global event that includes communities from more than 40 countries walking, and biking to school on the same day. Join children around the world to celebrate the health benefits of walking and bicycling. Participating in this event provides educational awareness in the importance of reducing carbon usage, health of our environment, and benefits of exercise. Moreover, walking and bicycling provide opportunities for parents to assess and enhance their child's safety skills. To make it even more fun, we will be including a scavenger hunt along the way. To demonstrate peace, unity and hope, children are encouraged to wear specific colors by grade.  
 Kindergarteners: Red  
 1st grade: Orange  
 2nd grade: Yellow  
 3rd grade: Green  
 4th grade: Blue  
 5th grade: Purple

Together, let's make Walk to School Day 2022 a day to remember!  
 -Health and Wellness Committee



## SEPTA NEWS

The first SEPTA meeting will be held on October 12th at 7:00 PM at the McKenna Senior Center. There will be a Harvest Dance for members on October 21st from 6:00-8:00 PM at the Ames campus cafeteria. Anyone that is interested in becoming a SEPTA member please visit [SEPTA MEMBERSHIP](#). To stay up to date with news, events, and information from Massapequa SEPTA please like us on [Facebook](#) or visit our website [MASSAPEQUA SEPTA](#). If you are interested in volunteering with Massapequa SEPTA please contact us at [msdsepta@gmail.com](mailto:msdsepta@gmail.com).



## FALL FUNDRAISER

JOIN US! Our annual fall fundraiser will be held Thursday, November 10th, 7:00-11:00 PM at Mulcahy's in Wantagh. Raffles, baskets, and some 90's hip hop! "Don't let 'em hold you down... reach for the stars." More information coming soon!  
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## "SPOOKTACULAR" NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

Join us for a spooktacular night at the movies Wednesday, October 19th, 5:00 PM at the Bellmore Playhouse. Feature Presentation: *Lyle, Lyle Crocodile* \$10/per person. Everyone needs a ticket. Tickets include a small popcorn, and a small fountain drink. Children are encouraged to wear Halloween or Fall inspired attire. Tickets are available for purchase [HERE](#). Looking forward to seeing you there!

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## PTA REMIND APP

Never miss another fun PTA or building event! Sign up to receive text notifications and get up-to-date reminders for school functions. If you were already signed up for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th grade last year, you were moved up to the next group. To sign up for Remind, text your code to **81010**. If you are new to Remind, open a text and instead of inputting a phone number, type, **81010**. Next, in the message, type your code:  
 Kindergarten @2022-23k  
 1st Grade @2022-231st  
 2nd Grade @2022-232nd  
 3rd Grade @2022-233rd  
 4th Grade @2022-234th  
 5th Grade @2022-235th



## PTA WEBSITE

Please visit our website for the most up to date information at [Birch Lane PTA](#). In addition, please visit our PTA Facebook page at [Birch Lane PTA Facebook](#).

## LET YOUR CHILD SHINE WITH REFLECTIONS!



Our Reflections Art Contest is back! This year's contest theme is "Show Your Voice." Students can reflect on this theme through the categories of Visual Arts, Musical Composition, Literature, Photography, Dance Choreography, and Film. Projects will be collected at Birch Lane on November 14th from 4:45-6:45 PM and November 15th from 4:45-6:45 PM. You can find more information online at [NYSPTA](#). Contact Jenni Mignone with any questions [Jenniv39@aol.com](mailto:Jenniv39@aol.com).



## RED RIBBON

Red Ribbon Week 2022 is October 24-28th. This year's theme is "Celebrate Life!" The campaign's mission is to encourage families and communities to live happy and healthy lives. It also serves as a reminder that we are all empowered to transform the world around us through positivity, bravery, and strength. Please join Birch Lane PTA in promoting healthy choices! Let's stand together and show our spirit.

*-Health and Wellness Committee*



## SMILE FOR THE CAMERA!

Picture Day returns to Birch Lane October 12th and 13th. Order forms will be sent home with the children the 1st week of October. We are looking forward to seeing all those smiling faces! Any questions please contact: Elizabeth Edelbach [ElizabethEdelbach@gmail.com](mailto:ElizabethEdelbach@gmail.com).



## 2022 HOLIDAY FAIR

The Holiday Fair will take place from Tuesday, November 29th through Friday, December 2nd. Students can purchase affordable and special gifts for family and friends. Forms will be sent home in backpacks soon.





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 Walk/Bike to school day	5 Yom Kippur <b>School Closed</b>	6 BOE Public Session 8:00 PM	7	8
9	10 Columbus Day <b>School Closed</b>	11	12 Picture Day	13 Picture Day	14 PTA General Membership Meeting 9:45 AM (Breakfast with the Principal)	15
16	17	18	19 Spooktacular Night at the Movies 5:00 PM	20 BOE Public Session 8:00 PM	21	22
23	24 Red Ribbon Week Begins	25	26	27	28 Red Ribbon Week Ends	29
30	31 Halloween Parade					

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### **Looking Ahead:**

November 8: School Closed - Election Day

November 9: Picture Retake Day

November 10: Fall Fundraiser

November 11: School Closed- Veterans Day

November 14/15: Reflections Drop-Off

November 15: PTA meeting 6:45 PM

November 17: BOE Meeting (8:00 PM)

November 24/25 - School Closed- Thanksgiving

November 29: Holiday Fair Begins

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