



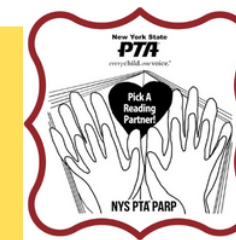
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2025 HOLIDAY FAIR



This year's Holiday Fair will take place from Monday, December 8th through Thursday, December 11th. Students can purchase affordable and special gifts for family and friends. Gifts range from \$1 to \$14. All students have received the date and time they will be attending the fair. Volunteers will be notified by the committee via email soon. Please send your child in with the provided envelope, filled out with their shopping list and their money.

PARP - PICK A READING PARTNER



We are excited to kick off our PARP (Pick a Reading Partner) program! This year's theme is inspired by the Dog Man series by Dav Pilkey. PARP will take place from January 12th - 23rd. Families are encouraged to read at least 20 minutes each day, whether with a parent, sibling, grandparent, or any other reading partner of their choice. We will kick off our celebration of reading with a school-wide assembly. Reading challenges, classroom read alouds, Dog Man themed activities, special gifts from the PTA, and many other surprises will take place during these two weeks of PARP. Your participation and involvement make a tremendous difference. Thank you in advance for supporting your child's reading journey and making this year's Dog Man themed PARP program the best one yet! Any questions or for more information, please contact Elise Cahill at elisemartingale@gmail.com.



2026 BOOK FAIR

Our Book Fair will take place from February 3rd - 6th. There will be a wide selection of best sellers, non-fiction books and graphic novels. Book prices usually vary from \$4.00 to \$25.00. There are also journals, posters, pencils, erasers and pens! Every sale generates rewards in scholastic dollars for Birch Lane, which go right back to the school through PARP and our library. Remember to send a reusable bag with your child. Please take a look at our new website for more info, where you can set up an eWallet AND check out the digital book flier! For more information, please contact: kristin.voutsinas@gmail.com and jsforza59@gmail.com.



PTA BLOOD DRIVE



The Birch Lane PTA is excited to announce our upcoming Blood Drive on Wednesday, December 10th, from 4:00-8:30 PM. Every donation counts, and your generous contribution can make a tremendous difference right here in our community. Be a hero and help save lives! We look forward to seeing you at the Blood Drive. For any questions, please contact Vicki Abbinanti at vickiabbinantibirchpta@gmail.com.

SEPTA NEWS

All parents and community members are invited to consider getting more involved with SEPTA by joining one of our committees or serving on our board. If you're passionate about helping strengthen our special education community, we encourage you to step forward. Learn more by attending our next SEPTA meeting, which will take place on January 21st. You can also email us at msdsepta@gmail.com.



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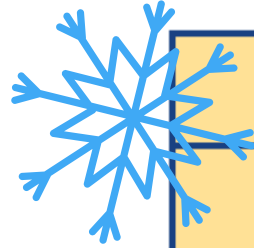


December

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2 Winter Fun	3	4 Board of Education Meeting 8:00 PM	5
8 Holiday Fair	9 Holiday Fair	10 Blood Drive Holiday Fair	11 Holiday Fair	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24 Holiday Recess	25 No School	26 No School



January



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 New Year's Day	2 No School
5	6	7	8 Board of Education Meeting 8:00 PM	9
12 PARP Begins	13	14	15 PARP Assembly PTA Meeting 6:45	16
19 No School MLK	20	21	22 Board of Education Meeting 8:00 PM	23
26	27	28	29	30

Looking Ahead

- February 3- February 6, 2026: Book Fair
- February 13 - Reflections Ceremony, 9:45am

Join the PTA!



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