

February 3, 2012

Hi Birch Families,

This is Principal VanOverbeke.

February has arrived and what a mild winter we are experiencing. The students will be all completed with MAP testing on Monday.

We had a wonderful turn-out at our incoming kindergarten registration night. If you were not able to attend, please contact the office. If you know a family with a potential kindergarten student, please direct them to call or stop by the main office.

Here are the upcoming events and activities:

- February 10<sup>th</sup> is Family Movie Night beginning at 6:30 sponsored by the PTA
- February 14<sup>th</sup> is wear pink and red day
- The STAR Lab will be here for students to experience on February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. A huge thank you goes out to Mrs. O'Grady's husband for volunteering many hours to make this possible for our students
- There is no school on Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>
- The Spaghetti Dinner hosted by the PTA will be on February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00-7:30
- February 24<sup>th</sup> is mismatch clothes day
- Conferences will be March 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>. Slips with times will be sent home with each student.
- The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual MacPhail Community Partnership Recital will be on March 18<sup>th</sup> at MacPhail's Downtown Minneapolis location. The two performances will be held at 12:30 and 3:30

Thanks and have a wonderful weekend!