

The Briarwood Buzz

From the principal...

Thank you families for your generous time and donations for Teacher Appreciation Week! As a school community we were all touched by the amount of support and kindness we felt as the PTA put together an amazing weeklong celebration!

Thank you to our families for contributing to our Pennies for Patients fundraiser! Briarwood School raised \$3,908.18! Our top earning classes were: KAV- with \$408.01 celebrating with an ice cream party and 2C with \$492.94 celebrating with a pizza party! Thank you to all who contributed to this worthy cause!

As we get ready to welcome in our newest class of students into our building, we have been conducting Kindergarten screenings all month! This process allows us to gain an understanding of incoming knowledge and create balanced classes in the fall.

Students took part in the PTA's Assembly- The Brain Show, which is always a student favorite!!

On May 11, Grade 2 children enjoyed a K9 Demonstration! It was amazing to see how the dogs assist our police officers.

Kindergarten students began their chick hatching experience! Our children begin this journey with a visit from Quiver farms! Our children get so excited as our chicks go through the hatching process!



Second grade students presented their play, Briarwood's Got Talent!, which was produced as a talent show! Our stage crew and performers have been practicing for months under the direction of Mrs. Van Way and Ms. Scott and it was certainly a success! Well-done students!!

As the year winds down, we want to reflect in the great successes of the school year! Allow children to talk about their proudest moments, silliest memories, and opportunities for growth and change for the following school year!

I look forward to a strong end to the school year! As always, should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me!

Warmest regards,
Mrs. Sherri Glaab

What's happening in 1st Grade

First graders have been quite busy! In our most recent science unit, the students were learning all about Mimicking Organisms to Solve Problems. As part of the culminating project, the students were given the opportunity to develop possible solutions for everyday problems. The students then sketched out their design and made a physical model to test out their inventions. After the students tested out their design, they evaluated their invention and improved on their ideas if needed. In Writer's Workshop, we just wrapped up our unit on Poetry and Songs. The students got super creative with the different rhymes and rhythms



they came up with! During Reader's Workshop we are learning all about characters and how to bring them to life! We are building our stamina even longer and reading just like second graders. In math we are working on numbers to 120 and adding and subtracting with regrouping! This is hard work but the students are doing great and love using our fun sayings to remember when and when not to regroup and using manipulatives. We cannot believe first grade is almost over already and this year sure flew by!

