



# Burrell School News

Mabelle M. Burrell Elementary School  
Foxborough, MA

**APRIL 2021**

## Upcoming Events:

4/2 Half Day—Only  
Cohort B attends

4/5 First In-Person Full  
Day for Everyone!!

4/8 BIT Virtual  
Incoming Kindergarten  
Information Night at  
6:30 pm

4/12 PTO Sponsored  
Author Visit—  
Oge Mora

4/14 PTO Meeting 7pm

4/19-4/23 VACATION

4/27 MCAS Practice  
Test for Grades 3 & 4



## A MESSAGE FROM THE

By springtime, your child's teacher knows a great deal about your son or daughter. One of the most important tasks we begin to think about at this time of year is determining students' placements for the upcoming year. This is a major undertaking that we address both carefully and thoughtfully. Teachers collaborate with their grade level colleagues and specialists to share information and to build classroom communities that reflect a heterogeneous mix of students with differing abilities, talents, personal styles and learning needs.



Creating effective learning communities where children's diverse strengths and needs can be nurtured is in everyone's best interest. It would be impossible for us to achieve this goal if we were to factor in individual parent requests for specific teachers. Additionally, there are always variables that we cannot control, such as staff moving or changing. Consequently, we do not construct our class lists around particular teachers. In contrast, we build communities of learners that will work well together and will enable all children to be successful, both academically and socially.

If you have any information that you feel would be helpful as we place your child(ren) for the next school year, please put that information in writing to me **no later than Thursday, April 15, 2021** Because we don't know at this time which teachers will be at each grade level next year, any information related to a specific teacher should be sent in regardless of where that teacher is currently. However, please remember that the complexity of the placement process prevents honoring specific requests for classroom teachers.

*Mrs. McCarthy*

## BIT Elementary MCAS Dates

Below are the dates we have scheduled for MCAS. Please contact the main office if you have any questions.

April 27th - Grade 3 & 4 Practice Tests

May 11th - Grade 3 ELA

May 12th - Grade 4 ELA

May 18th - Grade 3 Math

May 19th - Grade 4 Math