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Attention Parents of children missing physical exams, immunizations and/or religious exemption letters for immunizations. The state mandated due date to turn in these documents is Oct. 16th. If the Health Office does not have these documents on **Monday**, **October 16th**, your child will have to be excluded from school until these documents are turned in. If your child is missing any documents, you should have received notices. If you have not been contacted by the Health Office, your child has everything that is required.

<u>RtI</u> <u>Criteria:</u> RtI (Response to Intervention) is our program for students who need additional support with English Language Arts or Math. We identify these students using a combination of our district assessments (MAP and STAR) and classroom performance. Students identified will be supported one of two ways. Daily Pull-Out Services provided by one of our Interventionists (certified teachers many of whom are reading specialist). Alternatively, students maybe placed on a computer-based intervention called IXL. Below is the criteria for interventions:

Pull-Out Services (Meets All 3)

- MAP scores is at the 25% ile or below
- STAR Score is at the 25% ile or below
- Classroom performance below Peers

IXL Services (Meets 2 of the 3)

- MAP scores is at the 25%ile or below
- STAR Score is at the 25%ile or below
- Classroom performance below Peers

This week we reviewed our data to identify students who may need this additional support. Homeroom teachers will be reaching out to parents if this support is needed. Our staff will continuously review student growth, communicate with parents, and work together to make sure students are making progress. Our goal is that RtI be temporary but the objective is getting them to a level of academic success. If you have any questions about our RtI program, please let me know.

<u>Board</u> of <u>Education</u>: On the website, check out the Updated Announcement about our dedicated Board of Education.

This is the sixth year members of our Board of Education have received recognition for good school board governance from the Illinois Association of School Boards. We are proud of the Millburn School District Board of Education!

<u>Veteran's Day:</u> Millburn Elementary School will be celebrating Veterans Day this year on Friday, November 10th. We are looking to honor those in our community who have served or are currently serving as members of the armed forces, at an all-school assembly on that Friday afternoon. After the assembly, we will also be inviting veterans and/or service members into classrooms to discuss military life with our students. More information about our assembly and our "Wall of Heroes" display will be sent home with students next Monday. We hope that all loved ones of our students and staff who have served our country will be able to participate in some way!

<u>Breast</u> <u>Cancer</u> <u>Awareness</u>: In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we would like staff and students to participate in showing their support by wearing PINK on October 20th. This day seems fitting because it is also National Mammography Day! Thank you!

<u>PBIS</u> Fundraiser at <u>Panera</u>: We are working with the Gurnee Panera Bread to do a fundraiser for our Positive Behavior Program. On Tuesday, October 24, Panera will provide 15% of sales totalling up to \$500. If sales are over \$500, they will provide us 20% of the sales! Sales only count when customers show the flyer (see Virtual Backpack for flyer). You can either bring in the flyer or show it on your mobile device.

Proceeds of the fundraiser will be used towards student acknowledgements we do throughout the year to reinforce positive behavior at Millburn.

<u>PBIS</u> <u>Newsletter</u>: Check out our monthly newsletter. We want to continue to update our families on PBIS at Millburn Elementary. Link to Newsletter: October PBIS Newsletter

Fire Prevention: October is Fire Prevention Month. On Monday, we will do our 2nd fire drill of the year. Our 2nd graders are also heading to the Newport Fire Station to learn about how their operations work.

Update on SAVE CAPS AND LIDS! THANK YOU students and parents for the GREAT response to the CAPS and LIDS project. We have already received approximately 100 pounds!!! Keep those caps and lids coming in so we can reach our goal of 500 pounds.

Halloween Celebration: Halloween celebrations will occur on Friday, October 27 from 1:00-2:00PM. All students are allowed to wear costumes during the celebrations. Costumes should not have weapons associated with them and we would appreciate no makeup because we don't want students wearing it all day long. Students must bring their costumes in and not wear them to school. They will change into them before the parties. Costumes need to be easily put on and not require a lot of help from an adult.

****Students are <u>not to bring in "goodie" bags or food items for their class</u>. Our celebrations are food free due to the many allergies we have in the building. We need to be considerate of those health issues. Although goodie bags can non-edible, our PTO provides all of our materials for students for our celebrations. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

PTO NEWS!

PTO DIRECTORY!! We are going to print next week so please verify and update your family information online at millburnpto.com. Thank you!

BOX TOPS!! CALLING ALL BOX TOPS! Don't forget that today is the first Box Top submission date to turn in your box tops that were collected over the summer. Keep collecting them - the next due date will be Friday, November 17. For every 25 box tops submitted, your child will have a chance to win a \$25 Target Gift Card! The process is easy - count them up and place them in a baggie with your child's name and class labeled on there or attach them to the Box Top sheet that is posted in Virtual Backpack. <u>Also, check out</u> the Box Tops Bonus App on your phone or tablet. Turn everyday receipts into cash for Millburn. Find and select offers from your favorite brands that you are already buying and earn extra box tops through the app. When setting the app up, look for Millburn Middle School. It's so easy to earn extra \$\$. Any questions? Please feel free to email: boxtoplabels@millburnpto.com

<u>MILLBURN KIDS RESALE!</u> OUR SALE IS ONE WEEK AWAY!!! Registration forms are due today!! Please join the PTO in congratulating our second drawing winner - Jodi Tipler!!! Our next drawing is today Friday, 10/13.

Volunteer Only Invite to PRESALE: Would you like to come early and shop the Millburn Kids Resale BEFORE the doors open to the public? Make your selection from great name brand items at fantastic prices from 3:15pm to 4pm on Opening Day of the sale! The PRESALE is an invite only event for volunteers that help out either before, during or after the sale. We are very flexible with the hours and opportunities to volunteer. If there isn't a time or date that works for your schedule, please contact us to make arrangements. Contact us at: MillburnKidsResale@yahoo.com

VOLUNTEERS: We still have many volunteer slots open to help out before during sale set up, during sale operations or after the sale for clean up. We are only successful with the volunteer help to be able to effectively run the sale. Please follow these links to view opportunities:

Parents can volunteer at Volunteer Link - Fall 2017 Millburn Kids Resale or copy and paste http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f48afa92ea4ff2-millburn2

Students can volunteer at Student Volunteers for Fall 2017 Resale or copy and paste http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f48afa92ea4ff2-student1

SPIRIT WEAR!! Last chance to get the 2017 design with BOTH schools on logo. Orders can be placed online at https://millburnschooldistrict.itemorder.com through October 20 (no orders will be accepted after the deadline). Orders will be available for pick up week of November 6. See flyer in Virtual Backpack! **FAMILY FUN NIGHT!!** Enjoy some family time on Friday, October 27 from 6-8 pm at Millburn Elementary School. Come in your costumes for Halloween BINGO & costume contest. Everyone goes home with a prize (we are accepting donations of toys/items for prizes)! **Presale BINGO cards were sent home in backpacks this week and the Halloween Bingo registration form is available in Virtual Backpack as well**.

Administration and teachers are already signed up to be guest Bingo callers! We need families and older students to help make this a great event! Please consider volunteering: <u>Parents can volunteer</u> at <u>Family Fun Night PARENT Volunteers</u> or copy and paste <u>http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4daeac23a5fe3-family</u> <u>Students can volunteer</u> at <u>Family Fun Night STUDENT Volunteers</u> or copy and paste <u>http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4daeac23a5fe3-family1</u> <u>Email questions to FamilyFunNight@MillburnPTO.com</u>

<u>KIDSTUFF COUPON BOOKS!</u> Thanks so much to all the Millburn families and staff who participated in the Kidstuff Coupon Book Sale. We have raised over \$1500 for the PTO with your help! We still have over 63 coupon books not returned or paid for at this time. If you would like to keep the book and haven't paid for it yet, please submit payment of \$25 in cash or check made payable to MILLBURN PTO and send into school. You can also pay online at www.millburnpto.com. If you do not want to keep the book, please return it to your homeroom ASAP. Happy shopping!

<u>Upcoming Events</u>: Box Tops Due 10/13, Kids Resale 10/20 & 10/21, Spirit Wear Sale Due 10/20, Family Fun Night 10/27

If I can be of any assistance or if you have questions, please contact me at <u>bwalshire@millburn24.net</u> or (847) 356-8331.

Mr. Ben Walshire Millburn Elementary Principal

October 20th- Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness 21st- PTO Kids Resale 24th- PBIS Panera Bread Fundraiser 27th- Halloween Celebrations, PTO Family Fun Night

Link for MES School Calendar-<u>LINK</u>

Virtual Backpack- LINK

***Recall Notice- Item that was sold during last year's Book Fair. Lakes Junior Eagles Basketball Grayslake Park District Pumpkin Fest