

Mustang Minute: October 19, 2018

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Halloween Celebration: Halloween celebrations will occur on Wednesday, October 31 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 not to bring in "goodie" bags or food items for their class. 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.**

PBIS PARTY Day: Friday, November 2nd is our first PBIS PARTY (Do your PART) day. We are seeing a significant drop in minors and majors this year compared to last year and we have been impressed with all of our Mustangs for DOING THEIR PART. Each grade level is organizing fun activities for their students for PARTY Day. As you know, we also want to focus our attention not just on the negative aspects, but the positive ones too. At this point, our staff has given out over 25,000 ACKs (short for Acknowledgements) to students. Students will be able to use their ACKs to redeem incentives in our Mustang Market. I placed a picture of store items in the Virtual Backpack. You will also see how many ACKs they need to redeem the incentives.

We will do another PARTY day in January and look forward to seeing our students continue to make positive choices.

Parent/Teacher Conferences: Conferences are coming up on November 19th and 20th from 12-7PM. This is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress in school and ask any question to better understand their learning.

We will, again, be using Sign-Up Genius for you to sign up to meet with your child's homeroom teacher. You will be sent information from the homeroom teacher on how to pick a time. These will be 20 min conferences. The last conference time to sign up for will be at 6:40 on Monday the 19th and Tuesday the 20th. Teachers will send you information on Friday, November 2nd to sign up.

Yearbooks: ORDER YOUR 2018-2019 YEARBOOK TODAY!! This year is going to be great and a MES Yearbook is a perfect way to remember your friends, classmates, and fun times. Why wait until the last minute to get your yearbook. Order now and get your yearbook for an all time low of \$12.25. The prices will increase soon, so don't wait. Get your orders in now. Yearbooks will be delivered to students before school lets out in June. Please find ordering information in the Virtual Backpack.

PTO News:

- o Millburn Kids Resale
- o Boxtops
- o Bookfair
- o Activity Night
- o Family Fun Night
- o PTO Registration/Website

Millburn Kids Resale: TODAY is the Day!

Kids Resale volunteer only invite presale begins at 3:15pm. If you have volunteered for the sale or will be and you're on the list, check in at the door at 3:15 for entry. Sale opens to the public at 4:00pm. We are excited for another great sale! Thanks to all parents and administration for your support! Please join us in congratulating Rachel Brennan for winning the last drawing receiving 75% of her sales proceeds. A huge thank you again, to all of the supporters of our sale! We cannot make this a success without your support! Happy Friday!! Contact us at: MillburnKidsResale@yahoo.com

Boxtops: With a total of 469 box tops submitted - **Congrats to Ms. Anderson's class** for being the Box Top Classroom Party winners! Their party was today and they enjoyed extra recess and movie time to watch *Room on the Broom!*

The **\$25 Target Gift Card** random winner is: Kiera Dwyer - 4C

These students earned an exclusive **Millburn PTO drawstring bag** for submitting 200 or more box tops:

Gia Awkerman - 1C

Hailey Hursthouse - 2B

Oliver Rojewski - 3D

Annabelle Beaman - 4D

AWESOME JOB! With all of the submissions, Millburn has earned almost \$500 from the Box Tops for Education program! The next due date will be in December. Stay tuned for more info and keep saving your Box Tops!!

Any questions, please email: boxtoplabels@millburnpto.com

MES Bookfair: PTO is offering a pre-order of the newest Diary of a Wimpy Kid book: The Meltdown! Print the order form from the Virtual Backpack and send in cash or check (made out to Millburn PTO) in the amount of \$9.62 (\$8.99 book price, plus 7% sales tax) per book by **Tuesday, October 23rd**. Books will be delivered to your student(s) the following week!

Activity Night: The 1st Middle School Activity Night of the year is on Friday, **October 26th**. The theme for the night is **PJ Party**. Students may choose to dress for the theme by wearing their most creative interpretation of the theme. This is a chance for them to be creative, however, please adhere to the dress code regarding short/skirt length, no masks, and no showing of any undergarments. Failure to abide by these rules will result in the student being asked to return home to change.

There will be a **DJ & NITRO BALL!!!!**

THE DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURE IS VERY IMPORTANT!

DROP OFF

6th grade-6pm, MAIN entrance

7th/8th grade-6:30 pm, MAIN entrance

PICK UP

6th grade-8:30pm, MAIN entrance

7th/8th grade-9:00pm ACTIVITY entrance

For PICK UP, please pull in and find a parking spot. You can meet your child at the canopy area. You can also use the pick up late, but if everyone does this, the line of traffic will stretch out to Route 45! **No students will be allowed to walk or ride a bike home.**

Admission to the event is \$2.00. Drinks, candy and pizza will be available for purchase.

All students attending **MUST** have a current student ID to show at the door. **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.** Students **CANNOT** go to their lockers to retrieve forgotten ID's, as the hallway doors are locked. Also, all students must have a permission slip to attend Activity Night on file. If you need to leave before the Activity Night is over, **YOUR** parent must sign you out!

The rules are NOT negotiable!

Family Fun Night: Abra-Cadabra, Alla-Kazoo, PTO wants to share a Magic Show with You. Save the date for PTO Family Fun Night **November 9.** We'll have food, crafts/activities and a magic show where kids learn how to do the tricks. A pre-order form for food and magic tricks will be coming soon.

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

Mr. Ben Walshire
Millburn Elementary Principal

October

19th- PTO Resale

20th-PTO Resale

31st- Halloween Celebrations

November

2nd-PBIS PARTY Day

12th- Veteran's Day Assembly

13th- Trimester 1 End

15th- Report Cards Go Home

19th and 20th- Half Day, Dismissal at 11 AM, Parent/ Teacher Conferences 12-7PM

Link to [Parent Calendar](#)

Virtual Backpack- [LINK](#)