

Mustang Minute: October 20, 2017

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Halloween Celebration: Halloween celebrations will occur next 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 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 be non-edible, our PTO provides all of our materials for students for our celebrations. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.**

PBIS Fundraiser at Panera: 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.

[FLYER Link](#)

School Walk for Diabetes- We are proud and excited to be supporting the American Diabetes Association through the School Walk for Diabetes program this year. Students in 1st - 5th grade are invited to raise money to support research and awareness for Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes. We will be holding an event here at Millburn Elementary School on World Diabetes Day (Tuesday, November 14th.) Students who choose not to raise money will not be excluded as the event will take place during the school day. Money envelopes and online fundraising will be due by Monday, November 13th. Raising money can be done with the provided envelope or by simply logging into the School Walk website and raising money online! Both are great options and every little bit helps! Thank you in advance for helping Millburn Elementary School support this fantastic program!

Sweets for Soldiers- It happens every year....Halloween comes and goes and you have a giant pile of candy that just never seems to get any smaller. This year, please consider donating some of those left over sweets to our soldiers. Starting Wednesday, November 1st, students can bring excess candy to school and the Student Council will package it up for soldiers to enjoy. This is an easy and kind gesture to let our troops know that we appreciate them.

Veteran's Day: Millburn Elementary School is planning a Veterans Day celebration on Friday, November 10th. We are looking for current military personnel and veterans to be honored at our all school assembly at 1:00 pm, and who would be willing to talk with students/classes about military life after the assembly. Student Council is also creating a "Wall of Heroes" display of our veterans. If you have a family member, neighbor, or friend who would like to participate, please complete the forms that were sent home with students this week and return them to school by November 1st. Forms can also be downloaded from the Millburn website. If you have any questions, please contact Renee Marasco at rmarasco@millburn24.net or Lorie Cipolla at lcipolla@millburn24.net.

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.

PTO NEWS!

LAST CALL FOR MMS BOOK FAIR!! We are in desperate need of some volunteers to run the Middle School Book Fair. If we don't get any volunteers by next Friday, October 27th, we will have to CANCEL the Book Fair.

SPIRIT WEAR!! Today is the LAST CHANCE to get the 2017 design with BOTH schools on logo. Orders can be placed online at <https://millburnschooldistrict.itemorder.com> through TODAY, 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!

MILLBURN KIDS RESALE!! 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 **Erin Ledyard** 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

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FAMILY FUN NIGHT!! Enjoy some family time NEXT Friday, October 27 from 6-8 pm at Millburn Elementary School. Come in your costumes for Halloween BINGO & costume contest. **Costume Contest categories are: Creative, Scary, Funny, Cute, Family Theme and School Pride/Scholarly!** **Presale BINGO cards were sent home in backpacks and the 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:

Parents can volunteer at [Family Fun Night PARENT Volunteers](#) or copy and paste

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4daeac23a5fe3-family>

Students can volunteer at [Family Fun Night STUDENT Volunteers](#) or copy and paste

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4daeac23a5fe3-family1>

Email questions to FamilyFunNight@MillburnPTO.com

MES BOOK FAIR!! Millburn PTO is offering our families the opportunity to pre-order Jeff Kinney's newest installment of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series: *The Getaway!* Please print the order form from the Virtual Backpack and send in with cash or check payment by Wednesday, November 1st. The book(s) will be delivered to your student at school the following week.

BOX TOPS!! 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. Also, check out the Box Tops Bonus App on your phone or tablet. When setting the app up, look for Millburn Middle School. It's so easy to earn extra money. Any questions? Please feel free to email: boxtoplabels@millburnpto.com

Upcoming Events: Kids Resale 10/20 & 10/21, Spirit Wear Sale Due 10/20, Family Fun Night 10/27, Diary of a Wimpy Kid Order Due 11/1

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

21st- PTO Kids Resale

24th- PBIS Panera Bread Fundraiser

27th- Halloween Celebrations, PTO Family Fun Night

November

1st- Early Release at 1:00PM

7th- District Strategic Plan Revisit Session for Parents (MES 6:30-8:30PM)

8th- Math Night 5:30-7:30PM

20th and 21st

- Donuts with Dads 6:30-7:30AM- Cafeteria
- Half Day- 11:00AM Dismissal
- Parent Teacher Conferences 12-7PM
- PTO Book Fair- 6:30AM-7:00PM (East Gym)

Link for MES School Calendar- [LINK](#)

Virtual Backpack- LINK

Veteran's Day Letter

Wall of Heroes Template

Gurnee Park District Calendar

Gurnee Demons Basketball

Twisters Elite

Christian Arts Show- Great American Tall Tales