

*Mustang Minute: October 5, 2017*

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**Picture Make-up & Retake:** Say Cheese! Wednesday, October 11th is our Make-up & Retake Picture Day. Students needing make-ups can find the order form in the Virtual Backpack. If you would like a Retake for your student please email Ms. Boss at [yboss@millburn24.net](mailto:yboss@millburn24.net) and return package to your homeroom.

**PBIS PARTY Day:** Next Friday is our first PBIS PARTY (Do you PART) day. Our students have done a great job over the last several weeks and we want to celebrate that. Each grade level is organizing fun activities for their students. Since our focus behavior is on the playground, the grade level with the lowest percentage of minors/majors on the playground gets to have PARTY Day with Mr. Rowlands and I. The winning grade level is 4th grade! We will do another PARTY day in January and look forward to seeing our students continue to make good choices.

**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.

**PBIS Newsletter:** 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. Please take the opportunity to review fire safety in your homes. This week's Virtual Backpack includes a form for parents to walk through with their child(ren) to review their address and phone number. Children knowing their personal information is important in the event they need to report a fire to the fire department. These pieces of information will help firefighters get to homes quickly. Take a moment to fill this out and practice with your child. We are not asking for them back, but please use this to help students remember their information.

**Immunizations:** 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. 16<sup>th</sup>. If the Health Office does not have these documents on Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**SAVE CAPS AND LIDS!** The Garden Committee and the Ecology Club are collecting 500 lbs. of plastic caps and lids to purchase a rainbow bench. Watch for the flyer coming home soon about this project and send to school ACCEPTABLE CLEAN caps and lids. Thanks for your help with this project!

**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 not to bring in "goodie" bags and 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.

**Arbor Kitchen Help Needed:** Arbor Food Management is hiring for an immediate opening in the Millburn Elementary Kitchen. Great hours. If interested, please call Sloane Knutsen at 630-415-8059.

## PTO NEWS!

**PTO DIRECTORY!!** The paper directory is a helpful tool and the more families who participate, the more useful it is! **Your LAST CHANCE to be included in the PTO Paper Directory is 10-5-17!** Any registration forms sent in next week are NOT guaranteed to be included in the Directory, but we promise to do our best!

Join online at [www.millburnpto.com](http://www.millburnpto.com) OR use the registration form in Virtual Backpack!

**BOX TOPS!!** CALLING ALL BOX TOPS! The Millburn PTO is so excited to have our first Box Tops collection date for the 2017-2018 school year! Please send in the box tops that you have collected from the summer to your child's class by **Friday, October 13**. 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. For questions, please contact [boxtoplabels@millburnpto.com](mailto:boxtoplabels@millburnpto.com)

**MILLBURN KIDS RESALE!! STILL SEEKING:** Additional sellers for our upcoming **FALL MILLBURN KIDS RESALE!** Feel like earning some extra money? Start collecting the clothes and toys your kids have outgrown - then turn your collections into cash by selling them at the Millburn Kids Resale! It's a great way for you - and your kids - to clean out the closet, garage, basement, and attic! All early registrations received are automatically entered into a drawing to win 75% of your proceeds instead of the standard 50%. Registration forms can be found on the PTO website ([www.millburnpto.com](http://www.millburnpto.com)) and in the virtual backpack. Feel free to complete the registration form and just take a picture and email it to us or drop it off at either school's main office. **Please join the PTO in congratulating our first drawing winner - Sandra Cliffgard!** Our next drawing is Friday, 10/6. Send in your registration in as soon as possible so you don't miss getting into the next drawing. **Donations:** If you find that you still have items you wish to donate, please contact us at our email.

**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](mailto:MillburnKidsResale@yahoo.com)

Please follow this link 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 will be available in October.** 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](mailto:FamilyFunNight@MillburnPTO.com)

**ACTIVITY NIGHT!!** The Middle School Activity Night has been rescheduled from 10/27 to 12/8. We are looking forward to seeing the middle schoolers in December!

Upcoming Events: Box Tops Due 10/13, Kids Resale 10/20 & 10/21, Spirit Wear Sale Due 10/20

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

Mr. Ben Walshire  
Millburn Elementary Principal

**October**

6th- No School- Teacher Institute Day  
9th- No School- Columbus Day  
11th- Picture Retakes  
13th- PBIS PARTY Day  
21st- PTO Kids Resale  
24th- PBIS Panera Bread Fundraiser  
27th- Halloween Celebrations, PTO Family Fun Night

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

**Virtual Backpack- LINK**

PBIS Panera Bread Flyer  
Fire Prevention Information Sheet for Families  
Halloween Trick or Treat Path  
Halloween at the YMCA  
Lakes Junior Eagles Basketball  
Super Saturday- Gurnee Park District