

Mustang Minute: August 24, 2018

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Revised Parent Night: We have moved our Parent Night for 1st-5th Grade. The new date will be MONDAY, September 17. Parent Night is an event that we hold for parents that allows teachers to discuss the curriculum for the year and classroom expectations. Here are the dates for Parent Night:

1st-3rd Grade: ***September 17, 5:00- 6:15 (Meet in West Gym)

4th/5th Grade: ***September 17, 6:30-7:45 (Meet in West Gym)

Pictures: You probably saw, while taking student pictures and Supply Drop Off Night, that we did not have picture order forms this year. In a few weeks, you will receive an order form with a proof of two images to choose from. The order form will have directions on how to order packages online.

If you missed pictures, we will have makeups on October 10th.

Beginning Band Participation: This is an open invitation for 4th and 5th grade students to join the Millburn Elementary School Beginning Band. Please look in the Virtual Backpack for documents needed for you child to become a band member. The Millburn Elementary and Middle School Bands continue to be an outstanding program with remarkable performances, an excellent reputation, and great numbers of students who join and continue to be members of our fantastic band program. Now's the time to sign up and have your child become a proud member of the Millburn Beginning Band program. Take care.

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.

Drills: Next week, we will be practicing our Evacuation and Severe Weather Drills with our students. It is very important to do this at the start of the year so students know the procedures. We will also conduct a bus evacuation drill next Friday with all students.

The following week, we will practice our Intruder Drill. In this drill, we practice the procedures we would use in the event of an intruder in our building. I know this is not an easy thing to hear or practice, but we need to be prepared in any emergency that takes places.

I also encourage all families to review emergency procedures in your own homes with your children. Discuss with them what to do when circumstances arise.

Attendance Week 2018: We have officially signed-up for the Regional Office of Education's Attendance Week competition where Lake County Schools compete for the highest attendance rate the week of September 10th. Last year, Millburn Elementary placed 2nd, this meant that Mr. Rowlands had to shave his beard and Mr. Walshire had to shave his head. Although we have yet to decide on what our challenge will be this year, we are looking for fun ideas. Someone at school mentioned that we would have to Skydive!!! Let me know if you have any ideas. Find a flyer of this year's Attendance Week competition in the Virtual Backpack (it shows me getting my hair shaved from last year's challenge)

**Please note that we understand there are religious observations during that week. If a child is not in attendance do to those observe days, that will not count towards our overall attendance for the challenge.

PTO News

School Pictures: NOTE: *Millburn is in the process of testing a new way to order our pictures therefore picture orders are different for Middle and Elementary School!*

Middle: Picture orders are due Today! Go to www.ordercp.com The code is 10044701. Use your student's advisory teacher's name.

Elementary: Proof Pay – you will receive proofs in your student's backpack in about 2 weeks. You may choose the proof you like best and place your order at that time.

Special General Meeting: Thank you to everyone who came to our meeting. Congratulations to our new Board Members : Erin Ledyard – Middle School President and Priscia Caramico-Coelho – PTO Secretary.

Ice Cream Social: Thank you for coming to see us at the Ice Cream Social and checking out/volunteering for our committees.

Lockerworks: Still interested in a Lockerwork? Contact presidentelementary@millburnpto.com. Final order will be placed on Monday August 27th.

PTO Registration: We are still accepting registrations for this school year. Please go to millburnpto.com to register.

Website – www.millburnpto.com School CODE: 5SRAMT

Our new PTO website this year will have a ton of information available and all at your fingertips. If you haven't had a chance yet to view it, please so do and set up a login and password, so you don't miss out on any PTO related communications. Also, new this year, ALL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES will also be on the PTO website and housed under "Volunteer Sign-up." You do not have to be a PTO paid-member to volunteer.

Millburn Kids Resale: Are you unable to sell at the resale? You can still help by donating your kid's outgrown toys and fall/winter clothes.

Our donation drive is in TWO WEEKS -
Saturday September 8th 9-11 am at Millburn Middle School

What you can donate:

- Fall & Winter, clean, re-sellable clothing
- Toys, Puzzles, games, books
- Gently used bikes and kids sports equipment
- Baby Gear: Strollers, High chairs, Bouncy Seats, etc.
- Misc. Items: Yard toys, doll houses, Kitchen Sets, etc.

Questions please contact us at millburnkidsresale@yahoo.com

Come shop the Resale October 19th & 20th

All proceeds from donations go 100% to Millburn PTO

PLEASE LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AND SHARE OUT PAGE- MILLBURN KIDS RESALE!!!

PTO Fall Fest: Come join us and kick off the school year at Fall Fest Saturday, September 15th from 12:00-4:00pm at Millburn Elementary School. There will be games, prizes, food, inflatables, and pony rides! Volunteers are needed to make this event successful. Please sign up to volunteer at: millburnpto.com

Box Tops: Do you have an overload of box tops collected during the summer? You can bring them in and give them to your teacher at the elementary school and the front office for the middle school. Look here next week for more details about the classroom contests.

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

September

3rd- No School (Labor Day)

5th- Early Release @ 1:00PM

17th- Parent Night

1st-3rd @ 5:00

4th-5th @ 6:30

Link to [Parent Calendar](#)

Virtual Backpack- [LINK](#)

Beginning Band Information

Gurnee Chalk the Walk

Viking Park 50th Party

Gurnee Park District Swim Lessons

Gurnee Park District Studio Dance

Gurnee Park District Touch a Truck

Millburn 4-H Club