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<u>Attendance Week:</u> Great job to all of our Mustangs. We had a attendance rate of 97.38% for attendance week. We did make the top ten and have been invited to the recognition ceremony next Friday at CLC. Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit in preschool so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Good attendance will also help children succeed in high school, college, and their career. What can you do to help?

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
- Find out what day school starts and make sure your child has the required shots.
- Introduce your child to her teachers and classmates before school starts to help her transition.
- Don't let your child stay home unless she is truly sick. Keep in mind complaints of a stomach ache or headache can be a sign of anxiety and not a reason to stay home.
- If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors, or other parents for advice on how to help them feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- Develop back-up plans for getting to school in the event that something comes up. Call on a family member, a neighbor, or another parent.
- Avoid medical appointments and extended trips when school is in session.

<u>**Parent Night:**</u> Thank you to all of our families that came to Parent Night on Monday. We had a great turn out and we appreciate your involvement in your child's education. Continue to communicate with your child's teacher throughout the year and feel free to ask questions. We did place the gym presentation slides on our website if you did not get a chance to attend. Our website is millburn24.net, click on PARENT PRESENTATIONS.

<u>Math Game Club</u>: The Math Game Club for grades second and third at Millburn Elementary will begin after school on Monday, October 15th. It will be an opportunity for students to play math games that will promote teamwork, using problem solving strategies, and having fun while practicing math skills. Students will practice their math skills with games such as, addition/subtraction Top-It, Multiplication Baseball, and Name That Number. The math game club will meet on Mondays after school for ten weeks (except on 11/19). Mrs. Marasco and Mrs. Rayos are looking forward to working with your child. Registration is limited. Sign up today at https://ilo2218195.schoolwires.net/Page/3383 Deadline for enrollment is next Wednesday, September 26th. If you have any questions please contact: crayos@millburn24.net or rmarasco@millburn24.net

<u>Yearbooks</u>: 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 <u>\$12.25</u>. 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.

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- o Fall Fest
- o KidStuff Books
- o Millburn Kids Resale
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PTO Meeting: Thank you to everyone who came to our first PTO meeting on Tuesday! We received some great information and share some amazing ideas.

PTO Fall Fest: Thank you to all the parents, teachers and volunteers who made Fall Fest 2018 a successful event, it would not have been possible without you. And thank you to all the families that came out to enjoy the festivities.

Kidstuff coupon books!! NEW THIS YEAR AN APP! Coupon books went home today at the Elementary School. MMS families please see the Virtual Backpack for order forms. Forms will be sent home to MMS next week. If you would like to purchase a coupon book please pay online at www.millburnpto.com, or send in \$25 in cash or check (made out to "Millburn PTO") in an envelope addressed to "Kidstuff PTO" to the school by 10/5 and we'll see that your child receives one. Please remember to indicate your child's full name, parent email address, and homeroom or advisory teacher. You may order additional copies for friends or family as well. For every 5 books you sell, you earn one free. KidStuff Coupon Books are filled with hundreds of national, regional and local coupons for all ages! So if you have your phone you will always have the coupons. Plus the coupons in the app are always being updated. Our school earns 50% profit for every book we sell! Use just a few coupons and easily save more than the \$25 cost of the book! Most coupons are long-term and valid for 16 months! You will enjoy fabulous savings from: Justice, Party City, Macy's, Dick's Sporting Goods, Disney Store, Michaels, Marcus Movie Theater Coupons (Gurnee), Charming Charlie, Claire's, Clarks, Payless, Ruby Tuesdays, On the Border, Chuck E Cheese, Corner Bakery, Denny's + more! This is a **NO OBLIGATION** fundraiser. There are 24 editions for areas throughout the country. See all 24 editions at http://mykscb.com/kidstuff-coupon-book-editions/ Questions? Contact us at kidstuff@millburnpto.com.

Millburn Kids Resale: THE SALE IS A MONTH AWAY!!!

NOW SEEKING NEW AND RETURNING SELLERS & VOLUNTEERS

If you haven't registered yet but you intend to, please find the registration form in the backpack. Next Friday 9/28 is our first registration drawing giving anyone who has sent their form into our mailbox or email. If you haven't registered yet but you intend to, please find the registration form in the backpack so that you don't miss out on the opportunity to receive 75% of your sales proceeds.

We are also still seeking volunteers for various times. Here is the volunteer link if you wanted to sign up and help: Fall 2018 Millburn Kids Resale Volunteers

Volunteers are able to shop the presale at 3:15pm on October 19th before we open to the public.

Millburn Kids Resale Committee

Email us: millburnkidsresale@yahoo.com

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.

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.

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

<u>October</u> 3rd- 1:00 Early Release 5th- No School- Teacher Inservice Day 8th- No School- Columbus Day 10th- Picture Retake Day

Link to <u>Parent Calendar</u>

<u>Virtual Backpack- LINK</u> PTO Family Fun Night Lake County COmmunity Walk Event Joining Girl Scouts Go Gurnee- Chalk The Walk Grayslake Feeder Basketball