

Mustang Minute: **September 29, 2017**

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Attendance Week 2017: Today, Millburn Elementary was recognized for making the top ten schools with the highest attendance rate the week of September 11-15. In fact, MES was ranked 2nd. Since we made the top 5, Mr. Rowlands shaved his beard and Mr. Walshire shaved his head. To view the the cutting event, visit our website under [ATTENDANCE](#).

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 and return package to your homeroom.

Blue Shirt Day- Monday is Blue Shirt Day® World Day of Bullying Prevention™ which signifies the importance of National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month. We would love to fill MES with blue on Monday, October 2nd. Please have your students wear blue on that day as we unify to STOMP OUT Bullying in our community and world.

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!** Join online at www.millburnpto.com OR use the registration form in Virtual Backpack!

Mustang Highlight: We have a great staff at MES who do amazing things each and every day. At our monthly Staff Meetings, we recognize staff who have gone above and beyond through a Mustang Highlight. We would like to extend the opportunity to recognize our staff to our Millburn families. Anytime you want to recognize staff, please complete the Mustang Highlight Form found on our website in the Elementary drop down menu. Each month we will share these highlights with staff. We hope you can find time once each month to fill out a Mustang Highlight (or two) so we can acknowledge our hard working staff!

[Mustang Highlight Link](#)

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.**

Warren Township Youth and Family Services: Do you have a child who could benefit from improved social skills? Do you have a child with ADHD? Anxiety? School Refusal? If you answered YES to any of these questions, Warren Township is offering free classes and workshops for students. Information on these can be found in the Virtual Backpack.

Math Night: You may have seen that we are planning a Math Night this Fall. We are changing the date to Wednesday, November 8 from 5:30-7:30. This event is centered around the wide world math and will have a variety of math activities for families to enjoy. Mark your calendars for November 8th!

PTO NEWS!

PTO BOARD!! Congratulations to Margaret Muscia, who was elected as Elementary School President!! Margaret has co-chaired the Kids Resale and currently co-chairs World's Finest Chocolate. She will be a fabulous addition to your PTO Board!

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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

KIDSTUFF COUPON BOOKS!! Kidstuff coupon book sale has come to an end. We hope you are enjoying the great selection of coupons. If you have not either returned your book or made a payment for it, please do so ASAP. Unwanted books can be returned to school with your student. Payments can be made online at www.millburnpto.com (Kidstuff book can be found under items for sale). Check payments made out to Millburn PTO can be sent into the office. Thank you for your support.

PTO Buyout Participants - If you participated in our Buyout Program please don't feel obligated to purchase one. Please return it to the school. Thank you for your support!

MILLBURN KIDS RESALE!! **3 WEEKS UNTIL THE SALE!!** Today is our first raffle drawing to get 75% of your sales. 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 raffles to receive 75% of your sales proceeds.

We are still accepting seller registration forms until October 13th.

We are also still seeking volunteers for various times.

Please follow this link to view opportunities: [Volunteer Link - Fall 2017 Millburn Kids Resale](#) or copy and paste <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f48afa92ea4ff2-millburn2>

Volunteers are able to shop the presale at 3:15pm on October 20th before we open to the public.

Contact us at: MillburnKidsResale@yahoo.com

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

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: KidStuff Coupon Books due NOW, Box Tops Due 10/13, Kids Resale 10/20 & 10/21

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

2nd- National Bullying Prevention Day- Wear Blue

4th- 1:00 Dismissal

6th- No School- Teacher Institute Day

9th- No School- Columbus Day

11th- Picture Retakes

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

Virtual Backpack- LINK

Warren Township Youth and Family Services

Friendship Social Skills Group

Haunted Trail and BonFire- Lindenhurst Park District