

Mustang Minute: November 10, 2017

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Parent/Teacher Conferences: Conferences are coming up in a few weeks on November 20th and 21st from 12-7PM. This is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress in school and ask any question to better understand their learning.

We will, again, be using Sign-Up Genius for you to sign up to meet with your child's homeroom teacher. You were sent information from the homeroom teacher last week on how to pick a time. If you did not, please reach out to your child's homeroom teacher. These will be 20 min conferences. The last conference time to sign up for will be at 6:40 on both days.

School Walk for Diabetes: Our Diabetes Walk for 1st through 5th grade is quickly approaching! We are so excited to celebrate all of the hard work everyone has put into learning more, raising awareness and raising funds for research. Please be reminded that students raising money need to turn in their envelopes on **Monday, November 13th**. Our walk will take place on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH**. The color associated with this organization is Red. We would like to encourage all students to wear as much Red as they can on Tuesday, the day of our Walk. Thank you so much for all of your support!

Student Council: would like to thank all who have donated their Halloween candy to "Operation Gratitude" for our soldiers. We donated over 20 big boxes of the "sweet treats". Your generosity is and will be very much appreciated.

Coat Drive: Student Council will be having a **Coat Drive** starting Monday, Nov. 20th, through Friday, Dec. 1st. We are collecting **slightly** used coats and jackets of all sizes. **New** hats, mittens, and/or gloves will also be accepted to help keep those less fortunate stay nice and warm. Thank you for all your support helping us help others.

Donuts with Dads: The Millburn Educational Foundation is once again hosting Donuts with Dad. This event will take place on Nov. 20th and 21st from 6:30-7:30AM

Nov. 20- Last Names A-K

Nov. 21- Last Names L-Z

This is a wonderful opportunity to spend a little extra time connecting with your child/ren at school. After breakfast you can head over to the PTO's book fair to view some of Scholastic's hot sellers.

Form and payment for this event are due November 17th. Advanced payment and reservations are required. The flyer can be found in the virtual backpack.

Please remember that children must be accompanied by an adult and remain with that adult until 7:30. At 7:30, the Foundation board members will supervise the children until the bell rings and they are allowed to head to their classrooms.

Open Position: Millburn Elementary has an opening for a Kindergarten Associate. Included in the Virtual Backpack is the job description for the position. Some quick info on the position:

- \$10.40/ hour plus benefits
- 100% paid employee health, dental, vision insurance
- 100% paid \$50,000 life insurance and long-term disability
- Participation in Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF)
- 11 Paid Holidays per year
- 13 paid sick days per year
- 2 paid personal days per year

If you are interested, please apply online: [Online Application](#)

Thank you PTO: This week thanks to SEF (Student Enhancement Funds) our 2nd grade classes enjoyed a wonderful presentation from the Museum of Lake County on Native American Lifestyles which enriched their Social Studies curriculum.

PTO NEWS!

PTO MEETING!! Please join us this upcoming Wednesday, November 15th, at 7pm at the MES LRC. It's a great way to get connected to other parents and learn about what events we are hosting!

PTO HELP WANTED!! We are looking for SHADOWS for this year to follow current chairpersons of MMS Activity Night, Talent Show, MMS Staff Appreciation and MES Holiday Celebrations. We are also in need of a Chairperson for 8th Grade Farewell Celebration, this would be the parent of a current 7th grader. If you have any questions or interest please email presidentmiddle@millburnpto.com

WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATE!! Our sale is well underway and you still have time to get more orders and send them in! Every order counts towards making our goal of \$10,000! We are extending our sale! **ORDERS ARE DUE THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16th!** **PRIZES!!** For every \$60 in sales you will earn an **EXCLUSIVE** Millburn PTO Drawstring Bag! The Top 5 District Selling Families will receive a \$20 Target Gift Card! Any questions please contact us at worldsfinestchocolate@millburnpto.com

MES BOOK FAIR!! Save the date! Our PTO Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Millburn Elementary School during Parent Teacher Conferences. Visit us in the East Gym on Monday, November 20th and Tuesday, November 21st from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. We will have books for all ages including picture books and chapter books with your favorite characters, series, holiday books, cook books, award winners, and some grown up titles. We will also have reference books, science kits, crafts, and small gifts. You can shop thousands of additional items or create wish lists for out of town friends and relatives during our online sale starting November 15th and running through November 25th. There is also a book fair app to find book details including age, grade and reading level. Visit our online fair at [MES Fall 2017 Book Fair](http://www.scholastic.com/bf/millburncommconssd24) or follow this link: <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/millburncommconssd24> Change wars start next week! Please consider sending in change with your student each day to purchase books for their individual classrooms from the book fair! In addition, Scholastic will match the total donations from all our classrooms to purchase books for charitable organizations to promote reading and literacy. More information can be found in the Virtual Backpack. Volunteer at [MES Book Fair Volunteers 2017](http://signup.com/login/entry/1177009978005316043) or follow this link: <http://signup.com/login/entry/1177009978005316043> We have set up on Friday, November 17th after school starting at 2:30. Children are welcome. Set up can be done quickly with enough volunteers! We have shifts throughout the fair on Monday and Tuesday the 20th and 21st. Thanks for considering!

MMS BOOK FAIR!! Visit us in the Media Center on Friday, November 17th, Monday, November 20th & Tuesday, November 21st during school hours. The fair will also be open during conferences on Monday, November 20th & Tuesday, November 21st between the hours of 12:00pm - 7:30pm. ELA classes will preview the fair on Friday, November 17th. Students will be able to purchase items at this time.

Be sure to check for teacher wish lists. This is a great way to fill classroom libraries with new materials or to find the perfect gift for your favorite teacher. There is a bright yellow and red display with your teacher's wish list - you can't miss it!

An online fair will run November 13th to November 21st. This is a great way to shop for Christmas or to purchase the books that Scholastic feels are a little too edgy to put at the fair, such as some of the John Greene titles. You can also send wish lists to relatives from the site. All orders ship for free to the school and should be in before Christmas break. They will be delivered to your child at school. If your order contains a gift, please let us know and we will make other arrangements to get the items to you.

Visit our online fair at [MMS Fall 2017 Book Fair](http://www.scholastic.com/bf/millburnmiddleschool1) or follow this link:

<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/millburnmiddleschool1>

Interested in volunteering? We are looking for volunteers to help run the fair on Monday & Tuesday.

Please consider this fun way to help out by signing up here: [MMS Book Fair Volunteers 2017](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d45a5ac2fa3fd0-mmsbook) or follow this link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d45a5ac2fa3fd0-mmsbook>

If you have any questions, please email: bookfairmiddle@millburnpto.com

SPIRIT WEAR!! Fall online orders are now in. Families should have received an email with pick-up/delivery details and many products have been delivered to your child's teacher (as requested by parents). We still have a few families' orders, please email spiritwear@millburnpto.com to coordinate a pick-up or delivery. Our *Exclusive Logo for Holiday online ordering* will be available soon.

BOX TOPS!! Next due date is Friday, November 17. One random winner of a \$25 Target gift card! Campbell's is ending their Labels for Education program. Please be sure to send in any of your labels to be

sure they are submitted to Campbell's before the end of the year. All labels must have the logo on them, not just the UPC code. Thanks! Any questions? Please feel free to email: boxtoplabels@millburnpto.com

KIDS RESALE!! First of all, THANK YOU for being part of our recent Millburn Kids Resale. This past sale, we sold over **4,200** items! We would not be successful without you, our sellers, our volunteers and our customers. So, again, many thanks to you! Also, we wanted to let you know that all of the final tallying has been completed. Checks are scheduled to go out from Chase and be delivered by the end of next week. PS... Be sure to Save the Date for the Fall/Spring sale: April 20th & 21st 2018!!!

Upcoming Events: PTO Meeting 11/15, WFC Orders Due 11/16, Box Tops Due 11/17, MES & MMS Book Fairs 11/20 & 11/21

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

November

17th- Report Cards Sent Home

20th and 21st

- Donuts with Dads 6:30-7:30AM- Cafeteria
 - Nov. 20- Last Names A-K
 - Nov. 21- Last Names L-Z
- 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

KDG Associate Job Description

PTO Change Wars

PTO Book Fair Flyer