



Cougar Catch: January 8th, 2016

Calendar Link:

Millburn Madness:

<http://millburnmadness.schoolauction.net/millburnmadness/homepages/show>

Backpack:

Millburn Madness Invitation

WTGS Fastpitch Registration

LPD: Basketball Registration, Daddy Daughter, K-Soccer Registration

8th Graders – Lakes H.S. Pre-Registration

Washington D.C. Trip – 8th grade

Lakes High School – Family and Consumer Science Preview Day 8th Graders

Lake Villa Library – Middle School Book Club

End of Quarter 2: This coming Thursday is the last day of quarter 2. We have had a great 1st semester and we look forward to the 2nd half of the school year.

AIMSWeb Benchmark: This coming week, students will participate in our benchmarking assessment in reading. This is a short read aloud prompt we use to measure fluency.

NJHS: Invitation letters for National Junior Honor Society were mailed today. Students that have a cumulative GPA from 6th and into 7th grade of 3.80 or higher will get an invitation to apply for NJHS.

No School 15th and 18th: This coming Friday the school has an in-service day scheduled and there is no school for students on this day. The following Monday is a no school day in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Field Trip Lunches: Our cafeteria service is able to provide sack lunches for students when they attend field trips during the school year. You will start to see this as an option on field trip permission forms.

Washington D.C. Trip: Shortly after school lets out in June, Mr. Schroeder (8th Grade Social Studies), chaperones a voluntary trip for 8th grade students to Washington D.C. I have attached the registration form for this event to the virtual backpack.

Millburn Education Foundation Scholarship: In the backpack, you will find all the details for 2016 High School Seniors to apply for one of three \$1,000 scholarships! Applications are due by March 1st. Good luck to our alumni!

Kindergarten Registration: Millburn will host a Kindergarten Registration event on April 6th from 4pm to 6pm. All of the details can be found in the flyer on the Virtual Backpack. If you have a neighbor with young children please feel free to mention this or print the flyer for them.

PTO NEWS!!

MILLBURN PTO 2015-2016 SURVEY:

The PTO wants to hear from you!! We are conducting a quick, 10 question survey about our communication, activities and membership options. Please take a few moments to fill the survey out via the link. This information will help us with future strategic planning. The survey will be open today through Jan 17th at 10 PM. Thanks for your time.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LKC76L5>

The Millburn PTO Board would like to take the time to reflect on our school year so far and send out a huge THANK YOU to all of our volunteers and our 345 members. We could not accomplish all that we do without your help, support and volunteer hours. If you are not a member, please join or contact us at www.millburnpto.com.

What has your volunteer hours and/or fundraising participation done for the district?

- Funded over \$8000 for Student Field Trips at MES and MMS
- Provided NOVEL IDEAS Assembly at MES
- Purchased Therapy supplies for the SOCIAL WORK Department
- Purchased an ADA swing for the playground at MES
- Provided funds for an AUTHOR VISIT/BOOK SIGNING at MES
- Purchased writing easels for 3rd grade classrooms
- Provided volunteers and supplies for 31 Halloween parties in MES Classrooms
- Provided Halloween DJ Surprise during all recesses at MMS
- Hosted Halloween Family Fun Night at MES
- Hosted TWO Activity Nights at MMS
- Hosted FALL FEST at MES

- Provided a Surprise Popcorn Party for 8th graders
- Offered a Fall SPIRIT WEAR Sale
- Hosted 7 Staff Appreciation Events at MES
- Hosted 4 Staff Appreciation Events at MMS
- Provided a \$30 Stipend for each Staff Member to spend at Brainstorm
- Hosted Fall Book Fair at MES providing \$7800 in book for the MES Media Center
- Hosted Fall Book Fair at MMS providing \$5000 in books for the MMS Media Center
- Issued first version of the PTO Directory

How does the PTO pay for all of this? With your Fundraising Participation! Here's what you helped raise!

- \$5670 from Kidstuff Coupon Books
- \$1851 from Box Tops
- \$6591 from Fall Kids Resale
- \$6143 from World's Finest Chocolates

Many THANKS to all who helped in any way possible! We look forward to more success in 2016!

Fondly,

Millburn District 24 PTO Board

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