

Cougar Catch: March 11th, 2016

Calendar Link:

Backpack:

Millburn Track – starts next week!
PARCC – Fact Sheet and Letter from the State
Millburn Family Fun Run – Information, Sponsorship and Registration
WTHS Cheerleading Tryouts

Math Fair - LCHS

Fun Fluency – (Spanish program after school) Still time to sign up! Kids Resale – Donation Drive, Guidelines, Hints, Registration Form Carmel High School Summer Camps: Academic, Athletic, H.S Credit Spring Break Camp

Camp Summertime

8th Grade: Springfield Required Medical, End of Year Events, Springfield Permission and Money Collection, Farewell Celebration, etc.

Track Season Begins Next Week: You never know what kind of weather we will have for the start of the track season. I hope next week is as nice as this week. Tuesday next week will be the first practice. Please see the flyer in the virtual backpack with all the details for this sport.

State Wrestling Tournament: Good luck to Dakota Becker (8th grade) with his competition this afternoon at NIU. This is Dakota's second time qualifying for the state tournament. We wish you the best!

Math Fair at Lakes for 4^{th} - 6^{th} graders: The math department at Lakes High School is inviting 4^{th} – 6^{th} graders to a math fair full of games, math, money and prizes. This event is Wednesday, March 16^{th} from 6:00-7:30. See the flier in the backpack for all the details.

Feeling Artsy? There are two events coming up at local high schools that we want to inform you about.

At Warren H.S. (Almond Campus) is "Live The Arts" and we will have 25 of our students' work displayed at this delightful celebration of the arts. Each of these students will receive "Live The Arts" t-shirts and will exhibit along with other feeder schools to Warren H.S. This event is Friday, April 1st from 6:00 – 9:45pm.

Lakes High School's Art Festival will also showcase many of our student's work. This event is scheduled for Friday, April 29^{th} from 7:00-9:00pm. Plan ahead so you do not miss this wonderful art show with such talented students.

Spanish at MMS: You may have heard that MES has an outside group called Fun Fluency providing Spanish after school for students that are interested. There is a fee associated with this. The flyer with all the details located in the virtual backpack. Check it out!

PARCC: We are now just a few short weeks away until PARCC testing starts at Millburn Middle School for students in grades 6^{th} - 8^{th} . Students will take one test per day, for a total of 7 tests (3 math, 4 ELA). The students will have a regular schedule outside of their testing session during the day. The schedule for testing will be as follows:

Monday, April 11th Math Unit 1

Tuesday, April 12th Math Unit 2

Wednesday, April 13th Math Unit 3

Thursday, April 14th ELA Unit 1

Friday, April 15th ELA Unit 2

Monday, April 18th ELA Unit 3a

Tuesday, April 19th ELA Unit 3b

Millburn Federation of Teachers: The Millburn Federation of Teachers is offering a \$500 Scholarship for a former Millburn student getting ready to go to college this fall. Information is available at your high school or from Mrs. Jacobs at the Middle School. If you know any high school seniors, please let them know to apply.

Millburn Education Foundation Scholarship: The Millburn Education Foundation is proud to offer three \$1,000 scholarships to three 2016 high school seniors. A completed application must be delivered to Millburn School District 24 Office at 18550 Millburn Road, Wadsworth, Il 60083 by 3:00 PM on Tuesday, March 1st. If you have any

questions, please contact Mrs. Konicki at mkonicki@millburn24.net.

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!!

<u>PTO MEETING!!</u> Please join us on Wednesday, March 16, at 7pm in the Millburn Middle School Media Center for our second to last meeting of this school year! There are many PTO activities in need of help! Please consider volunteering to support Family Fun Night, World's Finest Chocolates, Fun Run and more!

<u>WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATES!!</u> Thanks to all of the District families that supported this fundraiser! We raised almost \$2500 to give back to the schools! **Please pick up your order at Millburn Middle School on Wednesday**,

March 16, between 5:30-7pm at the doors just south of the Activity Entrance! Email worldsfinestchocolate@millburnpto.com with any questions.

MILLBURN KIDS RESALE!! Calling all sellers! Do you have toys, bikes, clothes or baby gear that your family has outgrown? Would you like to make some extra cash for those items? Earn 50% of what you sell. The other 50% goes to the PTO. Choose to either pick up your items after the sale, or we will donate them for you. Register early for a chance to earn 75% of what you sell. Registration forms need to be turned in by March 18 to be entered in the drawing. Drawings are March 11, 18 and March 29. Sign up to help with the sale and shop the presale on Friday April 1 at 3:00pm. Go to http://vols.pt/xvyL9u for available times. Previous sellers must register but will have the same ID #.

Email millburnkidsresale@yahoo.com with any questions.

<u>Click here for the registration form.</u> <u>Click here for guidelines and helpful hints.</u> <u>Click here for the full flyer.</u>

8th GRADE FAREWELL CELEBRATION!! 7th grade parents and students are working hard and are excited for the 2016 8th Grade Farewell Celebration. We have chosen our theme. A big thank you to Sara Boutelle for your theme idea. We can't give away the theme yet but just know everyone is very excited. We also want to thank Kaitlann Silagan for her artwork. We know the 8thgraders will enjoy seeing the artwork featured on the program and Memory CD. A big thank you to all who submitted. It was a tough decision. All our 8th grade families received a letter detailing the directions for forwarding pictures for the iMovie. It is important that 8th grade parents review the process and make note of the deadline. We need all 8th grade students in the iMovie. A copy of the letter is posted on the virtual backpack. We have our next planning meeting on Monday, April 4, at 8:00 p.m. in MMS Room 1114. We would love to see all of our 7th grade parents attend. Email farewellcelebration@millburnpto.com with any questions.

MILLBURN FAMILY FUN RUN!! Time to lace up your shoes and sign up for the 4th Annual Millburn Family Fun Run. Join us on April 9th for a 1M or 5K walk/run at Millburn Middle School. Registration/check-in opens at 9AM. Pre-race warm ups with Mr. Walshire begin at 9:40. Race steps off at 10AM. Free race t-shirts to the first 200 registrants. Entry fee is \$15 per individual or \$40 per family (children 4 and under free, strollers welcome). Race registration available via

website www.millburnpto.com or paper form in virtual backpack. Please make checks out to Millburn PTO and return form/payment to school. Credit/debit card registration payment accepted on PTO website.

Don't forget to encourage your family and friends to support your run with a donation to the PTO! All race proceeds will go to support Millburn Health/Wellness programs and playground equipment.

Donations accepted through the Millburn PTO website or via paper sponsor form.

Gift card prizes awarded to the fastest boy, fastest girl and best Millburn spirit.

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<u>RECESS VOLUNTEERS!!</u> MES is looking for Recess Volunteers to help on the playground from 11am-12:20pm, Monday through Friday. Recess volunteers can choose to help one day a week, one day every other week or even one day each month. Any recess volunteer help is welcomed and appreciated. Please contact Tracy Behnke at <u>tracybehnke@hotmail.com</u> with any questions or sign-up information. Thanks!

<u>Upcoming Events</u>: PTO Meeting 3/16, World's Finest Chocolate Order Pick-Up 3/16, Kids Resale 4/1 & 4/2

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