



Cougar Catch: September 25th, 2015

Calendar Link:

Backpack:

1:1 Technology Pilot at Millburn

Kids Resale Documents

Devilettes Pom Clinic

Lakes Jr. Eagles Girls Basketball

Grayslake North Feeder Basketball Tryouts –Boys and Girls

Stateline Panthers Flyer and Brochure

Youth Basketball League 2nd to 8th Boys and Girls

1:1 Technology Plan: This year we have a 6th grade class and 3rd grade class that will be piloting the iPad as a learning tool. Piloting the program with a small group of students will help determine the best path forward. Data will be collected during the pilot, and the sustainability of the program will be examined. This pilot was made possible by the generous contributions of parents through the Millburn Education Foundation.

24 Hour Challenge: This event is in full swing! The kids were very excited today leaving MMS. We also took this opportunity to practice our bus evacuation drill since we had all students on busses. Remember that the 24 Hour Information Packet is available online in the virtual backpack. Here are few reminders:

*Day Challengers will be bussed back to MMS at 2:00 for normal dismissal.

*Parent volunteers are still needed for 1-hour sessions between 6pm and 11pm.

*DO NOT park on Crawford or Millburn Road.

*No pets when parents/families come to visit.

NWEA Testing: We start our NWEA testing on Monday. There is an hour long Math and an hour long Reading assessment for each student. Here is the schedule:

*6th Grade on Monday and Tuesday

- *8th Grade on Wednesday and Thursday
- *7th Grade (and Watters 8th Grade ELA class) on Friday and Monday

East Entrance Locked in Mornings: This year we are going to keep the East Entrance doors locked in the mornings. This will impact Band and Choir and other periodic morning activities. I want to encourage students in Band and Choir to arrive on time so that they can get into the building. The directors will check the doors leading up to rehearsal and a final time right before rehearsal starts. Students that arrive late will be able to get into the building at the Main Entrance at 7:30 when the office opens.

PTO NEWS!!

PTO MEMBERSHIP DRIVE!! In order to continue our investment in the district and to our students, we need your support and membership. Please consider joining us to help keep all of our fabulous programs alive for the 2015-16 year. Please register at www.MillburnPTO.com. Our PAPERLESS PTO system is where all signups, calendars, eblasts, membership directory and purchases can take place in one centralized location. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any of the PTO Board Members at www.MillburnPTO.com.

KIDSTUFF COUPON BOOKS!! Kidstuff coupon orders/money or books are past due. Please return them to your homeroom ASAP. Thank you for your support of the Kidstuff coupon book sale.

FALL FEST!! Join us TOMORROW from 12:00-4:00pm at Millburn Elementary for this year's Fall Festival! It will be fun for the whole family. Events include: pony rides, 18 foot inflatable slide, inflatable obstacle course, games and new, bigger prizes! Also, get ready to get some of Millburn's teachers wet in a power shower! Hit a target and see your teacher get soaked! We still need volunteers for the event! Go to <http://vols.pt/xkpTHC> to sign up.

KIDS RESALE!! Kids Resale Volunteering! Calling all Millburn District parents: Who doesn't like a great DEAL? Would you like to come early and shop the Millburn Kids Resale **BEFORE** the doors open to the public? Make your selection from great name brand items at fantastic prices from **3 to 4pm Friday October 23rd**! In exchange for this wonderful opportunity, we need 2 hours of your time to make the Millburn Kids Resale a great success. All you have to do is follow this link and select one of the volunteer shifts! Please click here: <http://vols.pt/L5v17Z> to sign up for Millburn Kids Resale Fall 2015 today!

Register early and be entered into a raffle to earn 75% of your items sold. Drawings are at noon on October 2 and October 9. If you have any questions or your availability is different than the suggested times please contact us at MillburnKidsResale@yahoo.com

Donation Drive! Do you have any kid's items lying around collecting dust? Donate them to the Millburn Kids Resale (any donation receives a tax donation letter). We are having a donation drive TOMORROW, Saturday, September 26th from 9:30 to 11:30 at the Middle School (front entrance). 100% of sold donated items go to the PTO.

BOX TOP CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!! Box Tops classroom volunteers needed! The PTO has kicked off our General Mills Box Tops for Education and Campbell's Label for Education programs for the 2015-2016 school year. Thank you so much to the parents who volunteered to be coordinators at Curriculum night. Unfortunately, there were quite a few classrooms that did not have anyone sign

up. We hope you can find a small amount of time to help us out with this important resource for our schools. The volunteer is responsible for collecting, counting and sorting the labels. This can be done in the convenience of your home and then handed over to the Committee Chair, Janis Moore. This would be the perfect job for a parent who would like to help out but does not have a lot of time to spare. Please consider helping us out. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up at www.millburnpto.com. Any questions please email Janis Moore at ltwmoore@comcast.net

WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATES!! As many of you are aware, Market Day is no more! World's Finest Chocolates has offered to MATCH our profits from last year if we give them a shot with our fundraising! It's just too much money to walk away from!! Look for a fall sale in November, with delivery for the holidays. Ongoing throughout this school year, the PTO will be selling World's Finest Chocolate bars at most PTO events. The bars are only \$1 and come in Milk Chocolate with Almond, Caramel, WF Crisp Bars, Milk Chocolate and Dark Chocolate! Any time you purchase a chocolate bar this year, you are supporting the PTO and helping to fund activities and technology for your students. THANKS!

Upcoming Events: FALL FEST 9/26, KIDS RESALE DONATION DRIVE 9/26

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