

Cougar Catch: March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## **Backpack Items:**

Track and Field: Activity Form, Remind App

ETA – Math Stem Science Open House

FC Soccer - Open Clinic

PTO Family Fun Run Information and Registration

PTO Kids Resale: Registration, Seller/Pricing Guidelines

Lindenhurst Park Dist: Carp Fishing, Earth Day, Easter Egg Hunt, Broadway

Beat, Horse Camp

Grayslake Volleyball Camps

**Spring Break Camp** 

GPD Programs and Events: https://www.gurneeparkdistrict.com/programs/recreation/camp-page

## Calendar Link:

<u>6<sup>th</sup> Grade:</u> The 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers have started a Twitter account and want to share it with you! Check out all the "Tweets"!! <a href="https://twitter.com/Millburn6th">https://twitter.com/Millburn6th</a>

<u>Drop off and Pick Up Reminders:</u> Please use the designated school parking lots and drop off / pick up lanes. The area of the school on the West side by the cafeteria is not a designated parking or drop off / pick up area. This area is strictly for use by our walking students. Any added traffic makes this a less safe area for our walking students. Thanks for helping us keep our school and streets safe!

<u>Track Practice Next Week:</u> The first days of Track practice are going to be Tuesday and Wednesday of next week (Weather Permitting). After Spring Break, the team will have regular practices during the week. *See documents in the virtual backpack!* 

**Spelling Bee:** Our very own 8th grade student Patrick Kilcullen won the sectionals competition at Prairie Crossing last month, so he will be competing in the Lake County Final Spelling Bee on Monday, March 20th at CLC.

<u>Talent Show:</u> We had 30 acts perform talents on the stage for a packed crowd on Wednesday. This was a district event hosted by the PTO. The students amazed and impressed the audience all night! Way to go to the brave and talented students!

<u>Jazz Band Dinner:</u> On Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> our Jazz Band students will host a dinner event at MMS. This event is a wonderful venue to show off their hard work and incredible skills.

**NJHS Induction Ceremony:** We look forward to welcoming our next group of inductees to NJHS the following week, Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup>. These students met the criteria for grade point average and then filled out an application to meet standards set forth by NJHS.

<u>PBIS Update:</u> Next week Wednesday is our Mid-Month-Mystery raffle! We encourage kids to use their DYP (Do Your PART) tickets in the raffle to win the mystery item. There is a strong chance that the theme for this item will have to do with St. Patricks Day.

**Scholarship Reminder:** Just a reminder that a \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a former Millburn student who will be attending college in the fall. The application is in the backpack and is due by April 7. Any questions please email <a href="mailto:sjacobs@millburn24.net">sjacobs@millburn24.net</a>

**<u>Kindergarten Registration:</u>** Parents, please follow this link for more information about registering a child for kindergarten for the 2017-18 school year: http://www.millburn24.net/news.cfm?story=124729

<u>32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Art Festival:</u> The Antioch Women's Club sponsors this art festival and it is hosted this year at Antioch High School. Save the date on your calendar for April 21<sup>st</sup>. The festival runs from 7pm to 9pm. See the flyer in the backpack.

Take care, Jake Jorgenson

## PTO NEWS!!

<u>PTO MEETING!!</u> Thanks to all who joined us for our 4<sup>th</sup> PTO Meeting of the school year. Our last PTO meeting will be May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at MMS LRC, followed by our Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event. More details to come!! PTO Members voted to approve the purchase of two new printers for the MMS Art Department. Ms. Reu is thrilled and we love to see our fundraising dollars help our students and staff!!

<u>PTO HELP WANTED!!</u> We have FIVE Board Positions up for election on May 17<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for MES President, MES Vice President, MMS Vice President, Website

Coordinator and Treasurer! Please contact any current Board Member for information. We will be planning an informational night to discuss and answer any questions. More details to come!

<u>WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATE!!</u> Thanks to everyone who helped support us in this fundraiser. We sold over \$3000! Winners for most sold will be announced next week. Pick-up is Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6pm at the Middle School Activity Entrance.

<u>MILLBURN DISTRICT TALENT SHOW!!</u> Thanks to everyone who came to support our students. We had a HUGE turnout! Congratulations to all of the performers on a job well done!

MILLBURN KIDS RESALE!! SPRING IS COMING and so is our resale!

Please save the dates of Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> for the sale. Seller guidelines and registration forms are now available in print at both schools or the virtual backpack.

Have a donation for the sale? We are hosting an EASY donation drop off if you aren't planning to be a seller but still want to contribute to this great cause. Bring your donated items to the Middle school main entrance on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> from 8AM-10AM. If you have yard toys, Spring/Summer clothing, shoes, bikes, dollhouses, other toys or baby equipment in good working condition that your house has outgrown, come drop it off! We will take all toys for kids (infant to teen) in good working condition. We will also take baby equipment, sports equipment and room furniture. This event is a success for our students because of the families that sell, the families that donate and the families that shop the sale. Thanks so much for your support!! Keep in mind, if you have items to donate and this donation drive time is not convenient for you, please contact us at millburnkidsresale@yahoo.com so we can make arrangements. We LOVE donations!

Also, we are now seeking volunteers to help out at the donation drive. Feel like getting your volunteer hours out of the way early? Click here to visit our site and volunteer today:

Volunteer Link - Spring Millburn Kids Resale

Thank you for your support!

8<sup>th</sup> GRADE FAREWELL CELEBRATION!! Thank you to the parents who were able to come to our meeting last Thursday evening.

Our next meeting will be on April 6th at 7:00 in the Media Center at Millburn Middle School.

We have been very lucky to have all but one of our committees filled. We are still looking for a chair for the **Memory Book** and we are in danger of losing this important

part of the celebration if we do not have a volunteer. The responsibilities for this committee include:

- \* Coordinate with 7th Grade liaison to have each 8th Grader complete a memory page
- \* Collect congratulations letters from Mr. Lind, Mr. Walshire and Mr. Jorgenson
- \* Work with decorations to incorporate the theme for the CD labels
- \* Arrange to have all the memory pages and CD's delivered to Rhonda Naylor at Haapanen Brothers to be burned. The Memory Book has always been a cherished keepsake for 8th Graders and it would be a shame if we cannot continue this tradition. I would be very grateful if you could please consider helping us out. For questions please contact farewellcelebration@millburnpto.com

## MILLBURN FAMIY FUN RUN!! MILLBURN FUN RUN REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!

Time to lace up your shoes and be part of the 5th Annual Millburn Fun Run 5K. Join us on April 8th for 5K on a <u>NEW FUN RUN COURSE</u> starting at Millburn Middle School and running through McDonald Woods. Run, walk, jog, push your stroller, but don't miss out on the fitness fun. Family registration for \$40, individual registration for \$15 (children under 4 are free). Free race t-shirts to our first 225 registrants. Forms available in the virtual backpack or register online at <u>www.millburnpto.com</u>. Please make checks out to Milburn PTO and return to school with form or make debit/credit card payment on-line. Race check in time begins at 8:30, warm-ups led by <u>MR</u>.

<u>WALSHIRE</u> at 9:15, race steps off at 9:30. Gift card prizes will be awarded for Fastest boy, Fastest girl and best Millburn Spirit.

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.

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<u>Upcoming Events</u>: MILLBURN KIDS RESALE DONATION DROP OFF 3/18, 8FC Meeting 4/6, Family Fun Run 4/8