

Cougar Catch: April 21st, 2017

Backpack Items:

MMS Writers Club (starts next week)
Echo Day Camp Information
Lakes Basketball Camps
PTO Bookfair Information
Warren Live Arts Festival
Lakes Summer Camps Brochure
Lakes H.S. Cheerleading Tryouts

Grayslake North High School: Fine Arts "Muse"

Lindenhurst PD: Youth Soccer

Gurnee PD: https://www.gurneeparkdistrict.com/aquatics/aquatic-center

Grayslake PD: Girls Rec Softball

Carmel Catholic Dance "Raising the Barre" Pferde Farm Horse Riding Lessons for Kids

Calendar Link:

32nd Annual Art Festival: Tonight at ACHS from 7pm to 9pm.

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In coordination with Earth Day, we are hosting a fun drive tomorrow, Saturday, 4/22 between $1:30 \, \text{pm} - 2:30$ pm at the Middle School. Please bring your gently used kitchen items, working sellable electronics, bedding, home goods, etc. Make sure your items are

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6th Annual Live Arts Festival: Warren Township High School is pleased to invite all students, parents, teachers and administrators to the 6th Annual Live Arts Festival at the Almond Campus on Friday, April 28, 2017, 6 to 9 PM. This free event is put on by the Warren Fine Arts Department to showcase the exceptional programs and talented students within these areas. This is also a special year as the high school is celebrating their 100th year! There will be interactive workshops, demonstrations and displays, along with Variety Show format performances. There is something for all, including free food and drink, along with fun activities for kids of all ages. See the flyer in the backpack for all the details.

<u>NWEA:</u> At the end of April our students will take a Math and Reading assessment during their ELA class period. This is our local assessment that we use to measure progress in these academic areas. Here are the dates for each grade:

8th grade April 24 and 25 (Monday / Tuesday)
7th grade April 26 and 27 (Wednesday / Thursday)
6th grade April 28 and May 1st (Friday/Monday)

<u>Illinois Science Assessment:</u> Our 8th grade students took this state assessment today during their Science / Social Studies block. I was in the rooms with the students and they did a very nice job!

Take care, Jake Jorgenson

Millburn Education Foundation Information

May 4th Foundation Social Night at Chances – 7:30 – 9:30 pm

The Millburn Education Foundation is hosting an open house meet and greet in the back room at Chances on May 4th from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. We invite you to come out and meet other district parents and talk with current board members to learn what the Foundation does and opportunities for involvement. Join us for this casual informational get-together. All who attend will be entered into a raffle to win a \$50 gift card to Chances. We hope to see you there!

Millburn Cup Golf Outing

The Millburn Education Foundation is planning for our 2017 golf outing. We are looking to make this event as fun and successful as possible. Whether you attended the event in the past or were unable, we want your feedback. If you didn't make the event, tell us what we can do to make it more appealing to you in the future. If you have participated, let us know your thoughts and how we can make it even better. Please take 5 minutes to complete this short survey that will help us plan for the best 2017 Millburn Cup. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BMK737D

We would greatly appreciate your input. This survey will close on April 30. Thank you in advance for your feedback!

Portillo's Fundraising Event – May 16 from 5:00 -8:00 pm

The Foundation is excited to partner with the Gurnee Portillo's to host a fundraiser event on May 16. The event will take place from 5-8pm and the Foundation will get 20% back from everyone who brings in the flyer (posted to the backpack and coming home soon), shows it on their phone, or mentions the Millburn Education Foundation at checkout. If you are going through the drive-thru, you must inform the first order taker.

If you have questions about the Millburn Education Foundation or on these or any of our events please email us atmillburneducationfoundation@gmail.com.

PTO NEWS!!

<u>PTO MEETING & VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENT!!</u> The last PTO meeting for this school year has been rescheduled to Thursday, May 25^{th} at 7pm at the LRC at MMS.

The PTO Board will be proposing an amendment to the By-Laws to change the PTO Executive Board to (ONE) MES President, (ONE) MMS President, (ONE) Vice President, (ONE) Treasurer and (ONE) Secretary.

The Millburn District 24 PTO is only successful because of our wonderful chairpersons and volunteers! Please join us for our Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event! We will be heading to Chance's in Lindenhurst after our general meeting and election. Please RSVP to presidentmiddle@millburnpto.com

8th GRADE FAREWELL CELEBRATION!! Attention 7th Grade parents: If you have not yet paid your student's \$16.00 fee, please do so as soon as possible. This fee can be paid either by sending a check into school or it can also be paid online at www.Millburnpto.com

PLEASE NOTE: PAYMENTS ARE DUE BY FRIDAY, MAY 5.

For questions please contact farewellcelebration@millburnpto.com

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MMS BOOK FAIR!! Visit us in the East Gym:

Tuesday, May 9th from 8:30AM-2:30PM and during the 5th Grade Orientation from 5:30-7:30PM

Wednesday, May 10th from 8:30AM-2:30PM

Thursday, May 11th from 8:30AM-2:30PM and during the Spring Choir Concert from 6:00PM-7:30PM

An online fair will run May 3rd - May 12th. All orders ship for free to the school and will be in before the end of the school year. They will be delivered to your child at school.

Shop at http://www.scholastic.com/bf/millburnmiddle

Interested in volunteering?

We are looking for volunteers to help set-up the fair on Monday, May 8th from 1:00PM-2:00PM, to run the fair and to help pack up the fair on Thursday, May 11th from 7:30-8:30PM.

Click here: http://signup.com/go/JwpXX6 to sign up!

MES BOOK FAIR! Millburn PTO is excited to host an author visit with Jeffery Brown. During the school day on Thursday, May 18th, our 2nd-5th graders will hear from the author himself about the process of writing and drawing his Jedi Academy series and his new book Lucy & Andy Neanderthal.

Mr. Brown will sign copies of his books after his presentation. If you would like to purchase one (or more!) for the book signing, please print and fill out the pre-sale order form found in the Virtual Backpack. Orders are due Monday, May 15th. And, as a bonus and a thank you from our PTO, you will receive a certificate for a FREE book of equal value at our BOGO (buy one, get one) book fair.

Our BOGO book fair will be held Thursday and Friday, May 18-19th at Millburn Elementary School from 8 am to 3 pm. We will also be open Friday evening during our PTO Family Fun event. As a thank you to our Millburn families, we are offering all the books at the fair as BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE! Stock up for summer reading!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT!! SAVE THE DATE** Friday, May 19th for a FIESTA style Family Fun night featuring Grande Jake's Taco Bar. Details and order form coming soon!

<u>Upcoming Events</u>: Kids Resale 4/21 & 4/22, MMS Book Fair 5/9 & 5/10 & 5/11, MES Author Visit 5/18, MES Book Fair 5/18 & 5/19, Family Fun Night 5/19