



*Cougar Catch: September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016*

**Backpack Items:**

**Yearbook Purchase Directions**  
**Lake's H.S Policy on Student Visitors to Athletic Events**  
**Kids Resale: Helpful hints, Registration**  
**PTO – Box Tops Collection Drive**  
**PTO – Spirit Wear Order form**  
**Carmel High School: Astronomy Night**  
**Haunted Trail**  
**Lake Villa Library Focus Group**

**Calendar Link:**

**Emergency Drills:** Today we practiced a couple emergency drills with students. We conducted a fire drill prior to taking students to MES for the 24 Hour Challenge. The fire department attended the drill to oversee the process. We do fire drills at least 3 times a year.

We also conducted a bus evacuation drill today. We bus the students to MES for the 24 Hour Challenge and we use this opportunity for our bus drivers to give students some directions on what to do in event they need to evacuate the bus. Exiting out the back door of the bus is practiced during these drills. Other emergency exit routes are shared with students.

**Yearbook Purchase:** We are continuing our online ordering process for the yearbook. Please follow these instructions to be sure your student gets one at the end of the year!

Step 1: Log on to a browser of your choice

Step 2: Type in the following: [ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com)

<https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/Order/SelectJob>

Step 3: When prompted, put in the following code: 8478817 (Please be certain the you are in the correct Yearbook area. It should say Millburn Middle School in the upper left hand corner)

Step 4: When prompted, enter your child's first name, last name, and grade level

Step 5: The next page gives you the opportunity to order as many copies as you would like. Each copy will be \$25.00.

Step 6: The next page is where you will supply your billing information.

Step 7: Submit your order

At this time, you can print your receipt. If however, you should misplace your receipt, or you just don't remember if you placed an order, you can always come back to check on your order.

If you have any questions about this please reach out to our yearbook sponsor, Mrs. Harpke at [sharpke@millburn24.net](mailto:sharpke@millburn24.net)

### **NWEA Testing:**

Our last testing group for NWEA is 7<sup>th</sup> grade on Monday and Tuesday of the coming week.

Sept. 26 and 27<sup>th</sup>      7<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **24-Hour Challenge:**

We are hoping that the rain holds off for our kids today. The forecast has improved so much from yesterday to today.

**Grayslake Placement Test:** 8<sup>th</sup> grade students attending GLN will need to take a placement test on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Grayslake will send details on this event directly to parents.

Take care, Jake Jorgenson

PTO NEWS!!

**PTO DIRECTORY!!** Would you like a copy of the PTO DIRECTORY? Please make sure you register by 9/30/16! This year you will be able to access the Directory on the App AND a paper copy will be distributed. If you want to be in the directory and receive a directory, please register at [www.MillburnPTO.com](http://www.MillburnPTO.com).

**BREAST CANCER T-SHIRT!!** The PTO is offering a t-shirt in support of breast cancer. The sale is online and will run from 9/16 - 9/25. 100% of the proceeds will be donated to The BreastFest of Champions team which has been walking in the Chicago Avon Walk for 10 consecutive years and has raised over \$400,000 in funds that are given directly to the Avon Foundation-Chicago Walk. Avon takes these funds and immediately allocates them to the local community (hospitals, clinics, research teams, etc.). Our team is made up of survivors and other team members from Millburn and the community who each walk in memory or support of someone that has been affected by this disease. Anne Schiever is a past friend and colleague who is in our memory during our annual walk. Please use the link provided to support this cause.

[http://americanoutfittersltd.com/Millburn-Cares-ORDER-BY-9-25-16\\_c804.htm](http://americanoutfittersltd.com/Millburn-Cares-ORDER-BY-9-25-16_c804.htm)

**KIDSTUFF COUPON BOOKS!!** KidStuff Coupon Savings Book Fundraiser ENDS ON 9-23-16!! We hope you are enjoying browsing your Kidstuff book. It's easy to use just a few great coupons from retailers like H&M, Dick's Sporting Goods, Jewel-Osco or Macy's and save more than the \$25 cost of the book! Most coupons are long-term and valid for 16 months. AND...our school earns 50% or more profit for every book we sell. This is a NO OBLIGATION fundraiser, but it is the sale DEADLINE TODAY! Please return your envelope with payment of 25\$ (cash, check made out to Millburn PTO or online at [www.millburnpto.com](http://www.millburnpto.com)) OR return the unused book to school to your child's homeroom ASAP if you have not done so already. You can also order more books for family and friends, which is a great gift idea for the holidays. Sell 5 books and get 1 FREE. Questions? Contact us at [www.millburnpto.com](http://www.millburnpto.com).

**BOX TOPS!!** Please remember to turn in your Box Tops collections sheets on **Friday, October 7**. For every Box Tops collection sheet (complete with 25 Box Tops) that you send in, your child will be entered into a drawing for a \$25 Target gift card. If you don't have enough to fill a sheet, please send in what you can in a baggie with your child's name on it. Every Box Top helps! If you need extra collection sheets, they can be printed out from the virtual backpack. If you have Campbell's Labels 4 Education labels, please put those in a separate baggie with your child's name on it. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Denise Ide at [boxtoplabels@millburnpto.com](mailto:boxtoplabels@millburnpto.com).

**RECESS VOLUNTEERS!!** Millburn Elementary School is looking for Recess Volunteers to help all students on both outdoor playgrounds from 11am until 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. Please contact Tracy Behnke at [recessvolunteer@millburnpto.com](mailto:recessvolunteer@millburnpto.com) with any questions or sign-up information. Thanks!

**KIDS RESALE!!** It's back! The Millburn Kids Resale is coming up before you know it - October 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. What a great opportunity to clean out those closets and basements and earn some money! Any district parent, student, or employee can register to be a seller. The registration form and spring guidelines can be found on the PTO website and in the virtual backpack.

**Donation Drop Off** - The PTO is offering an EASY way to pay it forward! We are hosting a Donation Drop Off on Saturday, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> from 8AM-10AM at the Middle School. If you have yard toys, 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 ages Infant to Teen in good working condition. We will also take baby equipment, sports equipment and room furniture. Thanks for your support. This event is a success for our students each sale because of the families that sell, the families that donate and the families that shop the sale. Please contact Dani Krieschen at [millburnkidsresale@yahoo.com](mailto:millburnkidsresale@yahoo.com) with any questions.

*Upcoming Events: KIDSTUFF COUPON BOOK SALE ENDS 9/23, KIDS RESALE DONATION DROP OFF 9/24, BREAST CANCER T-SHIRT ENDS 9/25, PTO MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR PRINTED DIRECTORY ENDS 9/30*