

Mustang Minute: December 11, 2015
Next PBIS Raffle: PJ Day for the Classroom

Choir Concert: Millburn Elementary and Middle School Choirs will be presenting their Winetr Concert on Tuesday, December 15 at 7:00 in the Millburn Middle School cafeteria. They will be doing songs from classical, folk, jazz, pop and Broadway styles as well as a couple of seasonal numbers. Hope to see you there!

Read to Succeed: The Six Flags Read to Succeed program has begun! Everyone is able to earn a FREE ticket to Great America if they read for a total of 6 hours, complete a reading log, and return it to your teacher by February 24th. Reading logs are available from classroom teachers and can also be downloaded from the Virtual Backpack on the Millburn website. What a great reward for some hard work!

PowerSchool Login: During conferences, you should have received a letter on how to log into PowerSchool. Parents will need to access PowerSchool come next year because that will be the only way to find out your child's homeroom teacher for the 2016-2017 school year. We will no longer be sending emails with the class lists or the teacher's name. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Yearbook Deadline Next WEDNESDAY!!!! The deadline to order the 2015-2016 Millburn Elementary Yearbook is Dec. 16. This year, all ordering is online at www.YBPay.lifetouch.com using the ID Code 4190016. Several extras are being offered including a hard cover, adding the student's picture and name to the cover, and purchasing repositionable yearbook stickys. More ordering information can be found in the Virtual Backpack or by picking up a flyer in the school office.

Toys for Tots: Millburn Elementary has a Toys for Tots box in the office. If you would like to donate a new toy toward their cause, please drop off the new toys in the office.

Math Challenge: Math Challenge #5 Answers are in this week's backpack! Remember to keep finding these challenges if you are looking at practicing your math skills!

Book Challenge: Our official count is 3,012 books read so far. Great reading the last few weeks! We need to get to 6,000 by the end of December to stay on track to get over 15,000 books read. We need everyone's help!!!

[Book Challenge](#)

PTO News

PTO DIRECTORY!! The first edition of the PTO Directory is available at www.millburnpto.com for PTO members!

WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATES ORDER PICK-UP!! Please pick up your order TODAY at Millburn Middle School from 4:30-6pm at the Main Entrance. Our Middle School Activity Night starts at 6pm, so come early to avoid the traffic!!! Any questions please contact Debbie St. John at worldsfinestchocolate@millburnpto.com. CONGRATS to our grade level gift card sellers: SEDOL-Liam Arnott, EC-Preston Baird, 1-Dylan McCann, 2-Madison Elders, 3-Nathan Behnke, 4-Morgan Hyde, 5-Lindsay Mueller, 6-Sean Hurst, 7-John & James Reda, 8- Renee Gilliland AND Hannah Shubin! Top Sellers in each building are Dylan McCann at MES and Sean Hurst at MMS!! Congrats and a huge THANKS from the PTO!!

SPIRIT WEAR ONLINE SALE ORDER PICK-UP!! Thanks to all of the families who purchased Spirit Wear during our Fall Online Sale. Pick-up will be December 15th at Millburn Elementary School between 2:15pm and 4:15pm in the front lobby. Any questions please contact Melissa Giametta at spiritwear@millburnpto.com.

BOX TOPS!! Thank you so much to everyone who turned in their Box tops this week. We are going to take a little break for this month, but watch out for your collection sheet in January. The next turn in date will be February 1, 2016. Happy Holidays and thank you for all your support this year!

MMS ACTIVITY NIGHT!! The SECOND Middle School Activity Night is TONIGHT, December 11th. The theme is "CRAZY HOLIDAY ATTIRE" Contest. Students may choose to dress for the theme by wearing face paint, and or hair paint. Masks can be worn, but cannot cover more than $\frac{1}{2}$ of the face. This is a chance for them to be creative, however, please adhere to the dress code regarding short/skirt length, and no showing of any undergarments. Failure to abide by these rules will result in the student being asked to return home to change.
THE DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURE IS VERY IMPORTANT!

DROP OFF

6th grade- 6pm, MAIN entrance

7th/8th grade- 6:30pm, MAIN entrance

PICK UP

6th grade- 8:30, MAIN entrance

7th/8th grade- 9:00 ACTIVITY entrance

For pick up, please pull in and find a parking spot. You can meet your child at the canopy area. You can also use the pickup lane but if everyone does this, the line of traffic will stretch out to ROUTE 45! No student will be allowed to walk or ride a bike home. Admission to the event is \$2.00. Drinks, candy, and pizza will be available for purchase. All students attending MUST have a current student ID to show at the door. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE. Students CANNOT go to their lockers to retrieve forgotten ID's, as the hallway doors are locked. If you need to leave before the Activity Night is over, YOUR parent must sign you out! These rules are NOT negotiable! Interested in volunteering? Contact Tracy Dwyer at tudwyer@comcast.net.

MES BOOK FAIR!! Thanks so much to all of the volunteers and patrons for another successful elementary school book fair. We were able to raise \$7884 for MES Media Center to spend with Scholastic. Through our change wars we raised \$1,600. In addition to our teachers using their Change Wars money to purchase books for their classrooms, Scholastic will be donating 1,600 books to their charities on behalf of our efforts.

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8th GRADE FAREWELL CELEBRATION!! The Millburn School District has a long standing tradition of the 7th grade students and their parents hosting a Farewell Celebration for the 8th grade students and their parents. At this time, we are looking for 7th grade parents to volunteer for this event. Examples of committee work may include food, decorations, iMovie, memory book, coordinating volunteers, invitations and many more. In January we will schedule our first meeting and we will outline the different opportunities available. In the mean time, please reach out to Deb Pineau at farewellcelebration@millburnpto.com if you are interested in learning more or if you know there is a committee you would love to work on. Looking forward to working with a great group of our 7th grade parents!!

Upcoming Events: WFC Pick-Up 12/11, MMS Activity Night 12/11, Spirit Wear Pick-Up 12/15

If I can be of any assistance or if you have questions, please contact me at bwalshire@millburn24.net or (847) 356-8331.

Mr. Ben Walshire
Millburn Elementary Principal

December

15 th	Choir Concert at MMS @ 7PM
16 th	Last Day to Order a MES Yearbook
18 th	Spirit Day (Wear School Colors)
21-Jan 1	Winter Break

***Remember to view the Millburn Elementary calendar online to find all the events and activities.**

Virtual Backpack:

Math Challenge #5 Answers

Hastings Lake YMCA Winter Camp Info

Link to Virtual Backpack: <http://www.millburn24.net/parents.cfm?subpage=1225444>