

Mustang Minute: April 28, 2016
Next PBIS Raffle: Cut the Principal's Tie
NO SCHOOL Friday, April 29

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK AT MILLBURN ELEMENTARY

Teacher Appreciation Week is Monday, May 2 - Friday, May 6. Let's celebrate our teachers by participating in the following theme days:

Monday, May 2 - Wear your teacher's favorite color

Tuesday, May 3 - Write a special thank you card for your teacher at home and bring it to school

Wednesday, May 4 - Wear your Millburn Elementary School spirit wear or school colors of red and white

Thursday, May 5 - Create a special drawing or picture at home and bring it to school. The drawing can be of your teacher, your class or Millburn Elementary School. Be creative - use stickers, stamps, crayons, markers, etc.

Friday, May 6 - Wear your teacher's favorite sports team shirt and/or hat OR your teacher's favorite sports team colors

MES Change Wars/ Book Fair: Thank you for your participation in our PTO Scholastic Book Fair Change Wars. We raised \$1,100.61 to be spent on books for our MES Classrooms. In addition, Scholastic will match those dollars to donate books to organizations such as the Kids In Need Foundation and the National Center for Families Learning.

Your children will have the opportunity to shop our PTO Scholastic Book Fair during the school day on Wednesday, Thursday and/or Friday. Please keep in mind when sending checks or cash with your child, tax will be added to all purchases. We are also open after school if you would like to stop in to shop! Hours are Wednesday 8-2, Thursday 8-4 and Friday 8-8.

Finally, we are still in need of volunteers to work the cash registers during the school days. If you are interested and available, please click on this link <http://vols.pt/ZUp37b>

5th Grade Invited to Millburn Middle School: Attention all 5th grade parents and students!! On Tuesday, May 3rd, you are invited to come to the Middle School to see the building, meet some of the teachers, and find out a few things that will be happening next year when you are a 6th grader. The program starts at 6:30 pm and will last about an hour. We would love to see all of you that night if possible. The PTO Book fair will be open! Any questions, please contact Mrs. Jacobs.
(sjacobs@millburn24.net)

Illinois Science Assessment (ISA)- The state will begin a new science assessment, administered to students in 5th and 8th grade. Information about this assessment has been vague over the last several months, but the state is following through with having schools give the tests to students. Testing will begin in May for our 5th graders and will involve one 30 minute test, which covers areas aligned to the Illinois Science Standards. I have included "Frequently Asked Questions on the ISA" from the Illinois State Board of Education in the Virtual Backpack.

More information on this new assessment can be found at <http://www.isbe.net/assessment/isa.htm>

Plant Sale: Gardening season is right around the corner, and Millburn 4th graders, teachers, and farmers at Tempel Farms Organics have been hard at work preparing for our Annual Organic Plant Sale. More varieties than ever are being offered this year! Our Plant Sale will take place May 21st from 9am-1pm at MES. Reserve your plants by ordering via the **pink** form in your child's backpack, and pick them up at the sale. Extra forms and plant descriptions may be found in the Virtual Backpack. *Orders are due April 26th.* As always, we will have many additional plants available for purchase at the Plant Sale. Quantities of

some items will be limited, so the best bet for your "must haves" is to use the order form. ALL PLANTS ARE ORGANIC. All proceeds go to the Millburn School and Community Garden.

Math Challenge: Math Challenge #14 is in the backpack for you to enjoy!!!

Employment Opportunities in the Millburn School District

Administrative Assistant to Elementary Principal

- 12-month position beginning June 2016
- \$12.75/hour
- Benefits include fully paid employee insurances:
Medical, Dental, Vision, Life, and Long-term Disability
- 15 paid sick days (2 days can be used for personal business)
- 10 paid vacation days
- 14 paid holidays
- Participation in Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF)

Bus Drivers for 2016-17 School Year

- \$17.66/hour
- CDL permit to drive a bus preferred, but will train
- Guaranteed 4 hours per day

If interested, please complete an application on line by going to our website www.millburn24.net. Under "Quick Links" on the left is the Employment tab, which will get you into the application program.

PTO News

SPIRIT WEAR!! The PTO will be having their Spring Spirit Wear Sale through Sunday, May 1st. To purchase your limited edition spirit wear, use the following link and scroll down to Millburn to place your online order.

<http://americanoutfittersltd.com/> We are planning to have a pick up day for orders the week of May 9th. We are offering tanks, tees, lightweight hoodies and more!

SCHOOL SUPPLY KITS!! Don't feel like racing around from store-to-store to find your child's school supplies? Simplify your life, order through Schoolkidz Supply Kits and help give back to the school! Orders will be accepted through

May 18th and will be available for pick-up at MES in early August. Please see order forms at www.millburnpto.com and in the Virtual Backpack!

BOX TOPS!! Please don't forget to send in your Box tops next Monday, May 2. This is the last time this school year to submit your Box tops, please help us to reach our target of \$6,000. Your student will be entered into a drawing for a \$25 Visa gift card for every 10 Box tops they submit. We will be sending home a collection sheet next month for your student to save their Box tops over summer vacation. Thank you so much to all the students and parents for making this such a successful year for Box tops!

WENDY'S NIGHTS!! Please join us next Tuesday, May 3, between 5-8pm for Wendy's Night. Dine in or drive thru at the Wendy's on Route 45 & Sand Lake Rd in Lindenhurst. Wendy's will donate 15% of all sales back to the Millburn PTO!

MES BOOK FAIR!! PTO Spring Book Fair is coming to the MES Media Center. Please come visit us any time on:
Wednesday, May 4th from 8am-2pm
Thursday, May 5th from 8am-4pm
Friday, May 6th from 8am-8pm

MMS BOOK FAIR!! PTO Spring Book Fair is coming to the MMS East Gym. Please come visit us any time on:
Tuesday, May 3rd during school and 6-7:30pm

Wednesday, May 4th during school and 6-7:30pm

Click here to preview featured titles: <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/millburnmiddleschool1>

Click here to volunteer: <http://vols.pt/VSprUe>

MILLBURN FAMILY FUN NIGHT!! MES PTO Family Fun Night committee will be hosting the Family Fun Night Olive Garden Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, May 6 from 6 to 8 pm in the MES cafeteria. Watch for the order forms coming home with your child and in the Virtual Backpack. Come join us for a night of food and fun! Treat your mom to an early Mother's Day night out with dinner and a chance to win her flowers in a raffle! Bring your favorite game to play with family and friends! Tickets sold in advance only; **payment is due Monday, May 2**. No tickets will be sold at the door. Hope to see you there!

Please sign up for PTO Spaghetti Dinner Family Fun Night!

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/wfH6xD>
2. **Enter your email address:**(You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot)
3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots - VolunteerSpot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

8th GRADE FAREWELL CELEBRATION!! All of the exciting plans are coming together for hosting this very special evening for our graduates and their parents. All 7th grade parents are welcome to help. Remaining meeting dates leading up to the event are: May 9th at 8pm and May 23rd at 8pm.

All meetings will be held at MMS in the faculty lounge, across from the music room. We hope to see you there!

Upcoming Events: Spirit Wear Orders Due 5/1, Box Tops Due 5/2, Family Fun Night Orders Due 5/2, Wendy's Nights 5/3 & 5/10, MES Book Fair 5/4 & 5/5 & 5/6, MMS Book Fair 5/3 & 5/4, Family Fun Night 5/6, PTO Teacher Appreciation Events 5/2-5/6 at MES & MMS

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

April

29th No School

May

2-6 Teacher Appreciation Week

4-6 MES Book Fair

16-20 MAP Testing (3rd-5th Grade)

27th Mr. Walshire Works On the Roof

30th No School-Memorial Day

June

3rd PBIS Assembly

6th Field Day

7th Last Day of School, 1:00 Early Release

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

Virtual Backpack:

Math Challenge #14

Millburn Destination Imagination Team Fundraiser

Lindenhurst Park District Soccer Registration

Chicago Kickers Soccer Club

Lindenhurst Pet Vaccination and Microchip Clinic
Carp Fishing Derby

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