

Mustang Minute: December 9, 2016

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Read to Succeed: The Six Flags Read to Succeed program has begun! Reading logs were sent home this week and can also be downloaded from the Millburn website. All students can earn a free ticket to Great America by reading 6 or more hours, completing a reading log, and returning it to their teacher by February 24, 2017. What a great incentive for our children to read!

New Pick-up Procedures: For end of the day student pick-up, parents still need to park in spaces and walk in to sign students out. Student will now be lined up, at the same location, by last name, *A-L and M-Z*. Our goal is to be more efficient at dismissal while keeping an organized system that serves our students. As always, cars cannot be parked along the curb unattended, as this is also a fire lane.

Yearbooks: Time is running out! Order your child's yearbook by January 1, 2017 to avoid the price increase. If you are unsure if you ordered or not, please check for an email from Lifetouch YBPay or YBPay@lifetouch.com.

You can access the yearbook site at <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/Order/SelectJob>. When prompted, put in the following code: 4190017. Please make sure you are entering orders for Millburn Elementary. You can find the name in the upper left hand corner. If you are ordering for both schools you will need to enter the orders under separate codes.

PTO Assembly: PTO provided a great assembly for our students today. The show, "Science of PBIS" gave a great message to our students on staying positive each and everyday. Students did a great job during the show and they had a lot of fun. Thank you to the PTO for sponsoring this show for us!

Recess Volunteers: Recess Volunteers wanted. Is winter your favorite time of year? Do you enjoy being outside regardless of cold temperatures and snow? If you answered yes and are willing to help out all students on both outdoor playgrounds from 11AM until 12:20PM, WE NEED YOU! Recess volunteers can choose to help one day a week, one day every other week or even one day each month. Please contact Recess Volunteer Coordinator, Tracy Behnke at tracybehnke@hotmail.com with any questions or sign-up information. Thanks!

WANTED! Two full-time positions are available as paraprofessionals (formerly teaching assistants). One position is available at middle school and one at elementary. \$10.40/hour + Benefits - fully paid single Health, Dental, Vision insurance; \$50,000 life insurance and long-term disability; paid holidays, sick, and personal days. Apply by clicking on the Employment tab under Quick Links on the website - www.millburn24.net. Not a licensed parapro? No problem - see the "cheat sheet" attached to apply online. Also attached is the job description.

MEF Scholarship: The Millburn Education Foundation will be offering three scholarships again this school year. Please see the backpack for more information regarding the scholarships. If you have any questions, please contact Meghan Konicki at mkonicki@millburn24.net.

Amazon Smile- Are you an AMAZON shopper? If the answer is yes, then you can support the Millburn Education Foundation while you shop on Amazon. Follow these simple steps to start having a portion of your purchase go to the Millburn Education Foundation.

1. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com>.
2. Login with your Amazon account information.
3. Pick your charitable organization: **Millburn School District 24 Education Foundation.**
4. Happy shopping!

Next time you shop on Amazon, login through Amazon Smile to support the Foundation. The charitable organization will already be saved in your account. Thanks for your support!

Toys for Tots- Millburn Elementary will be a drop off location for "Toys for Tots." We are looking for unwrapped, new toys for children from newborn - 12. For more information on "Toys for Tots" click on the link below:

<http://great-lakes-il.toysfortots.org/local-coordinator-sites/lco-sites/about-local-toys-for-tots.aspx>

PTO News

WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATE! Thanks to everyone who helped support us in this fundraiser. We sold over \$10,000! Our top winners are Baird Preston, Nathan Behnke, Katrina Zimmer, Kelly Harper, Hannah Abalos and Michael Jacobson. Congrats!

Pick up is Monday, December 12, 2016 from 4:30 to 6pm at the Middle School Activity Entrance.

Need a little something extra to give this holiday season? Maybe to a teacher? Bus Driver?

Favorite Staff Member? Nanny or Babysitter? Coworker?

We will be selling chocolate bars on Monday December 12th from 4:30 to 6. All bars are \$1.00 each. Choose from Milk Chocolate, Dark Chocolate, Almond, Caramel or Crisp.

Can't pick up your order on the 12th or have any questions - contact us at

worldsfinestchocolate@millburnpto.com

SPIRIT WEAR! Orders will be delivered to the school on Monday or Tuesday the week of December 12th. If you want to give your purchase as a gift, please email Melissa Giametta at spiritwear@millburnpto.com

WENDY'S NIGHTS!! Please join us next Tuesday, December 13th, 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!

Upcoming Events: WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATE pick-up 12/12, SPIRIT WEAR delivery 12/12 & 12/13, WENDY'S NIGHT 12/13

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

16th PBIS Assembly- Wear Red

Winter Break- Dec. 19-Jan 2. School Resumes on January 3rd

January

4th 1:00 Early Release

13th No School- Teacher Institute Day

16th No School- MLK Jr. Day

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

Virtual Backpack:

Paraprofessional Open Position

MEF Scholarship

Ecology/ Garden Club Information

Read to Succeed Information

Lindenhurst Park District Theater Camp

Gurnee Park District Performing Arts

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