

Mustang Minute: April 13, 2017

No School- Friday, April 14

No School- Monday, April 17

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Illinois Science Assessment: All fifth- and eighth-graders and some high school students will begin taking the Illinois Science Assessment (ISA) THIS SPRING. The ISA aligns with our new [Illinois Learning Standards](#) in science. This assessment helps families understand how well students are performing academically and see whether they are on track to succeed in college. The ISA represents Illinois' commitment to preparing all students for college and careers, including in the high-demand science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. The assessment also satisfies federal accountability requirements. 5TH Graders at MES will take their assessment on Thursday, April 20. The assessment should last about 45 minutes and will be taken on computers or iPADS. You will find a parent letter about this assessment in this week's virtual backpack.

NWEA Measures of Academic Progress (MAP): Starting the week of April 24, students in grades 2nd-5th will take a Math and Reading MAP assessment. This is our local assessment that we use to measure progress in these academic areas. It is an adaptive test, which means that the next question of the test depends on how they answered the previous question. Therefore, the test adapts to the student so we can pinpoint their level of achievement.

Love and Logic Pearls: How many times have you had your child test your limits? They seem to challenge your authority when we say "no." Yet, maybe instead of using "no" we use "yes." This week's Love and Logic Pearl provides strategies that still allow parents to provide specific without without the challenge.

Recess Volunteers: Recess Volunteers wanted. If you are willing to help out all students on both outdoor playgrounds from 11AM until 12:20PM Monday - Friday, 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!

2017-2018 Class Placements: We are currently in the process of planning and placing students into homerooms for next year. Please find a letter in the Virtual Backpack with some information on how this process works. As a reminder, class lists WILL NOT be sent via email over the summer. Parents will need to log into PowerSchool to see their child's homeroom teacher once it goes live in August. **Parents are encouraged to set up their accounts ASAP for access before the next school year begins. If you need assistance with getting your account set-up, please contact our main office.**

PTO News

8th GRADE FAREWELL CELEBRATION!! The 8th Grade Farewell Celebration committee would like to congratulate Abby Tuohy for her beautiful artwork that will be incorporated into our celebration this year.

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. For questions please contact farewellcelebration@millburnpto.com

[MILLBURN KIDS RESALE!!](#) We are a week away from the Resale and we are still looking for volunteers to help out specifically on Saturday, 4/22 for the morning shift: 7:45 am - 10:45 and the 10:30 - 1:00 shift. If you could spare some time and help us out, we would greatly appreciate it! We are only successful when we have ample volunteer support! Please visit our link to sign up and get your invite to shop the volunteer only presale event on opening day (4/21) at 3:15pm. Please follow this link to view available opportunities: [Millburn Kids Resale](#)

**If your availability is different than the suggested times, please let us know. We are quite flexible and truly appreciate the help!

DRAWING WINNER: Please join us in congratulating our second drawing winner - **Kris Nadolski!** Congratulations Kris! Last drawing is Tuesday, 4/18 at 9am which is also the deadline to get registration forms in. Get your registration form in as soon as possible so you don't miss getting into the last drawing!

As always, thank you for your continued support!

Kindest regards,

The Millburn Kids Resale Committee

Dani Krieschen & Jen Hauhe

Contact us at: MillburnKidsResale@yahoo.com

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

[MILLBURN FUN RUN!!](#) Thank you to all who participated in the 5th Annual Millburn Family Fun Run. It was a beautiful day with over 200 runners on the new course through McDonald Woods. Thanks once again to our corporate sponsors Goshgarian Orthodontics, TC Kelly Construction, FitNation, Butera, Pediatric Interactions, Action Inclusion, Anita Spisak @Properties, Tutor Doctor and The Therapy Tree. We couldn't make this event happen without their support and our wonderful volunteers.

Upcoming Events: Kids Resale 4/21 & 4/22, Family Fun Night 5/19

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

14th No School- Spring Holiday
17th No School- Spring Holiday
21-22 PTO Kids Resale @ MMS
28th PBIS PARTY Day

May

9th 6th Grade Orientation (for current 5th Graders) at MMS @ 6PM
16th 1st/2nd/3rd Grade Musical @ 6PM (Fritch, Anderson, Laughman, Stolzer, and Konicki)
17th 1st/2nd/3rd Grade Musical @ 6PM (Glade, Novak, Coleman, David, and Clark)
18th 1st/2nd/3rd Grade Musical @ 6PM (Parkman, Reding, Neville, Tuley, and Edelmann)

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

Virtual Backpack:

ISA Parent Letter

Love and Logic- Arguing

Cub Scout Pack 87 Info

Gurnee Park District Stepping Event

Lindenhurst Park District Youth Soccer

Lake Villa Library - Learning English

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