

Cougar Catch: March 16th, 2018

Backpack Items:

Millburn Middle School Graduation DVD
Every Hero Needs a Hero – Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
Millburn Madness – Thanks to our Sponsors!
Millburn Kids Resale, Pricing, Seller Registration
PTO Chocolate Bar Bouquets

Discover Golf @Bittersweet: http://www.bittersweetgolf.com/golf/ecom_v2/ecom.php?cat=100836

Echo Day Camp Twister Beach Party

Calendar Link:

<u>Track Practice:</u> We are "track"ing the weather for next week. If the weather is working in favor for start up practices, we plan to start on Wednesday and Thursday of next week. We can confirm on Monday via announcements to students if practice is on for these days or not.

Track practice will start on the Tuesday after Spring Break if we are not able to start this Wednesday and Thursday.

Remember that we need to have physicals on file for kids to participate. The activity bus will start after Spring Break for students that have signed up and paid. The transportation department gives a courtesy email once your child has been added to the roster.

ART SHOW: The Antioch Woman's Club Art Show, featuring work from Millburn Middle School artists, will be held on Friday, April 27th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Antioch High School. Come celebrate outstanding talent and enjoy refreshments, and be sure to vote for your favorite artist! Ballots are available at the treat table. See you there!

PBIS: Check out our newsletter here: https://www.smore.com/j8zck

PARCC Assessment: In April, our middle school students will take the PARCC assessment. The dates for this are 4/10, 4/11, and 4/12. We have created a schedule in which the students will have a morning test session and an afternoon test session. The time between tests will be filled with activities like: lunch, recess, specials, PE, enrichments, and fine arts.

Illinois Science Assessment: Students in 8th grade take this test during Science class. The Science teacher and Social Studies teacher will share students the week we get back from Spring break to refresh on Science reasoning skills in advance of the assessment. The plan is for the students to take the test during Science on April 5th or 6th.

<u>Twitter:</u> You can now find me on Twitter! Search for JakeJorgenson24. You can also see my live Twitter feed directly into the Middle School page on our website!

Thanks! Jake Jorgenson

PTO NEWS!!

<u>FACEBOOK!!</u> Please "LIKE" our Facebook page at Millburn PTO for daily updates and funnews!

<u>PTO MEETING!!</u> Thanks to all who attended our PTO meeting this past Tuesday evening. We love sharing ideas and getting feedback! *CONGRATS* to Rimi Singh for winning the raffle prize!!

8th GRADE FAREWELL CELEBRATION!! Our next meeting is Monday, March 19th at 7pm at the MMS LRC. At this meeting, we will be choosing invitations, food, decorations and more! Any questions please email president middle@millburnpto.com.

WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATE!! Looking for a little something special for someone special this spring? St. Joseph's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Easter, Mother's Day, etc or just because! How about a World's Finest Chocolate Bouquet (5 Candy Bars)! EXTENDED! Place your orders by March 19th. Pick up will be at Millburn Middle School on Monday, March 19th from 4-6pm. See the Virtual Backpack for the order form.

<u>KIDS RESALE!!</u> The Donation drive was a huge success, if you still have items that you would like to donate please email us at <u>millburnkidsresale@yahoo.com</u>.

We need many volunteers to help make this event a success! We have numerous openings if you haven't already signed up. Please follow this link to view opportunities:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f48afa92ea4ff2-millburn3 Millburn Kids Resale Volunteers-Spring 2018

As a volunteer, you are eligible to shop the private presale on sale opening at 3:15pm before it opens to the public at 4pm. Since we need the volunteers to successfully run this event, we ask that you volunteer for at least one shift before, during or after the sale. See the

site for all available spots. Please let us know if you have any questions. Thanks again for your support! We look forward to another successful sale! Contact us with any questions at millburnkidsresale@yahoo.com.

STAFF APPRECIATION!! A HUGE thanks to all of our Millburn families that sponsored a pie for Wednesday's SURPRISE PI DAY! We were able to serve teachers and staff at both schools with 48 pies!! We LOVE treating our teachers and staff! We really want to continue this committee next school year, but we need a chairperson for the Middle School. We have two chairpeople for Elementary but we need BOTH schools covered to continue! If you're interested, please email Melissa Hyde at vicepresident@millburnpto.com and she can answer any questions you may have. Our joint committee is meeting the week after Spring Break to plan Teacher Appreciation Week and we would love to have a new Middle School shadow help us facilitate this last event of the year!

MES BOOK FAIR!! Our Spring Book Fair was a GREAT success! Total sales were \$7609 and with bonuses we earned \$3804 in Scholastic Dollars. Our Fall and Spring Fairs together earned us a total of \$9768 in Scholastic Dollars!! A HUGE thanks to Alicia Keys and RaeAnn Collins for chairing Book Fairs this year. Next year will be their last year chairing and it would be wonderful to have one or two volunteers to shadow the upcoming Fall sale and see how fun it is!

MMS BOOK FAIR!! Unfortunately, we have had no interest in chairing the Middle School Book Fair. TODAY is the LAST CALL!! The staff at the MMS LRC would LOVE to host a Spring Book Fair for middle school students! We need one or two volunteers to run the fair or it won't be possible. Please email presidentmiddle@millburnpto.com with any questions!

<u>BOX TOPS!!</u> Our Holiday Box Top Drive was a huge success! Thank you to all of our families who participated!

The following students submitted 200 or more box tops and will be receiving an EXCLUSIVE Millburn PTO drawstring bag: Nathan Behnke, Anna Fischer, Julia Wallenfang, Mason Durst, and Elena Arnholt!

Also, congrats to Mrs. Tuley's classroom for submitting the most box tops in the drive with 890 box tops!

Julia Wallenfang was our random winner of the \$25 Target Gift Card!!

There are 2 more chances during this school year to win the random gift card drawing – April and May. The next Box Top collection is due on Friday, April 13. Send in your box tops in a baggie, envelope or on the collection sheets that will be sent home soon. Any questions – please reach out to boxtoplabels@millburnpto.com. Thanks!

<u>SPIRIT WEAR!!</u> Spring Spirit Wear sale is now open online for each the elementary and the middle school. The links below will take you directly to the site and we have items such as shorts, tank tops, t-shirts as well as glitter t-shirts and the Millburn combined logo design is back too! Our sale will be open until 4/8 so don't miss out on your chance to order!

https://millburnmustangs.itemorder.com/ https://millburncougars.itemorder.com/ MMS ACTIVITY NIGHT!! The LAST Middle School Activity Night of the year is Friday, April 13th. The theme for the night is Under the Sea. Students may choose to dress for the theme by wearing their most creative interpretation of the theme. This is a chance for them to be creative, however, please adhere to the dress code regarding short/skirt length, no masks, and no showing of any undergarments. Failure to abide by these rules will result in the student being asked to return home to change.

There will be a DJ & NITRO BALL!!!!

We are looking for volunteers to help chaperone this fun-filled evening! Please contact Denise Ide or Sarah Moore Primack at activitynight@millburnpto.com if you'd like to join us!

<u>Upcoming Events</u>: WFC Orders Due 3/19, 8FC Meeting 3/19, Spirit Wear Orders Due 4/8, MMS Activity Night 4/13, Box Tops Due 4/13, Kids Resale 4/20 & 4/21