

Dear Millersville Families,

October is upon us and the weather becomes more unpredictable. Please dress your child appropriately for the weather and remember sneakers for PE days.

Our calendar is getting full so make sure to check it out and join us for some of the fun events that are coming up. The MES Human relations committee and our amazing PTA have been very busy planning events.

Please remember that you can support MES by joining our PTA. If you have not joined yet, never fear you can still join. Our PTA is amazing and makes such a wonderful impact on our school.

Parent/Teacher conferences are coming up on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of this month. If you would like to make sure to get a conference time, please contact your child's teacher to express your desire to meet. Otherwise, teachers will begin to send out schedules and invitations for conferences. Please remember that conferences are a time to create a unified approach for your child's success. Teachers will share both successes and concerns with you, be open and realize that the teacher just wants what is best for your child. We really do want to work with you!

Have your asked your child about the Kids at Hope Pledge? Take a minute and ask them because ALL children are capable of success ... No exceptions!

Respectfully,

Linda Toth, principal

Vision Statement of Millersville Elementary School

"Millersville Elementary School is an inclusive community where all students are empowered to reach their greatest potential, take risks, and have fun in a safe and engaging environment."

Our School Wide Motto

"Tell me and I forget.

Teach me and I
remember. Involve
me and I learn."

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## Information



#### **OSP**

Online School Payments

OSP is available at Millersville Elementary School! Pay for school items, fees and activities online using a credit or debit card (Visa or Mastercard).

Go to the AACPS.ORG website and select your student's school from the list.

Click on the OSP Link provided on the Gateway Page.

Create a new user account and then add Student profiles. You must have your student's ID to complete this section.

Also note that the student's name must match exactly to school database (as it appears on report card). If you have any problems, please contact the school office.

http://osp.osmsinc.com/annearundel



#### **Health Room Reminder**



Please remember to drop off any medication to the nurse's office, and to let them know of any concerns regarding your child's health.

If you are dropping off medication, it must be in the pharmacy issued bottle with the child's name on it.

Please remember that cough drops and aspirin are considered medication and a child should not have it in their possession.



#### Volunteers!

We love our volunteers here at MES! Information regarding our volunteer program will be coming home shortly! In the meantime, please review the following links to make sure you are prepared for all volunteer opportunities!

Please view the Sexual Harassment/Child Abuse video (left hand side). You will need to print the verification form and send it in to school:

http://aacpsschools.org/family/family/

Please carefully read the updated information regarding Fingerprint Supported Background Checks and Commercial Background Checks can be found here:

https://www.aacps.org/Page/1869

Please contact Mrs. Abell or Mrs. Hudgins with any questions!

#### Important Dates For October

The Entire Month, we will be collecting for Harvest for the Hungry!

Oct 1-4 Book Fair

Oct. 2 Custodian Appreciation Day; Family Book Fair Night 6-8

Oct.4 World Smile Day and MES PTA Skate
Night 5-7 @ Skate Zone

Oct. 7 Interims; PTA Meeting 6PM

Oct. 8 2-hour early dismissal

Oct. 9 No School Yom Kippur

Oct.10 Ice cream Social 5 -6:30

Oct. 14 Fall Picture Day

Oct. 15 & 16 Parent/Teacher Conferences

Oct. 22-26 School Bus Safety Week

Oct. 23 Unity Day

Oct. 25 Halloween Dance 6-8 PM

Oct 28-29 Fourth Grade Overnight at Arlington Echo



# Harvest for the Hungry

## October 1st - October 30th

Millersville Elementary is excited to be participating in the Harvest for the Hungry: Kids Helping Kids Campaign again this year! Join us in helping our local Anne Arundel County Food Bank by participating in the fun spirit days! All items donated must be non-perishable. The county's goal is to collect 500,000 pounds of food to help Marylanders. We appreciate your support!

Tuesday, October 1, "Tuna Tuesday"

Bring in a can of tuna, can of chicken or SPAM.

BUMBLE BEE

## Wednesday, October 2, "Wake up Wednesday"

Bring in a breakfast food and you get to wear your PJs to school!! (Please remember to wear appropriate shoes for PE and Recess!) Donate granola bars, oatmeal, and cereal.









## Thursday, October 3, "Thirsty Thursday"

Wear Blue to school- donate bottled water, coffee, juice boxes, and Gatorade.

Show your support to end bullying and cyberbullying.

Friday, October 4, "Fan Favorite" Wear your favorite color and bring in your favorite canned food or bottled drink.



#### Monday, October 7, "Italian Day"

Wear red or yellow and bring in pasta, noodles or pasta sauce.





#### Tuesday, October 8, "Veggie Day"

Wear Green and bring in a can or more of your FAVORITE vegetable.

Thursday, October 10, "Fruit Cup



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Donate a fruit themed item.



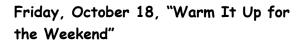
Friday, October 11, "Souper Hero Day"

You can be a superhero and help stop hunger! Bring in a can of soup and wear something with your favorite Superhero!

Monday, October 14, "Magnificent Monday" wear your Roadrunner spirit wear and sneakers. Bring in your favorite snack item.

Thursday, October 17, "Bring in Something Sweet"

Donate flour, sugar, cake mixes and other dessert items.



Bring in a box of hot chocolate, coffee or tea.



Monday, October 21, "Twin Day"

Dress like a twin and donate a "twin pack" of something or items

that go together. Peanut butter and jelly, soup and crackers etc.

Tuesday, October 22, "Taco Tuesday"

Donate cans of beans, chili, or taco
kits.



Wednesday, October 23, "National Unity Day" Unite to end Bullying.

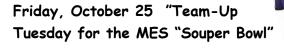
Wear Orange. "Orange you glad we can help make the world a great place"





Thursday, October 24, "Thankful Thursday"

Bring in Thanksgiving themed items.



Wear your favorite sports team colors and donate hearty soups, stews,

or cans of chili. Team up to Fight Hunger!

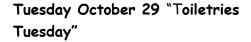






## Monday October 28 One kid CAN make a difference!"

Bring in one CAN of your choice because you CAN make a difference in someone else's life!



Bring in a toiletry- toothpaste, shampoo, mouthwash.....

## Wednesday, October 30 "Wacky Wednesday""

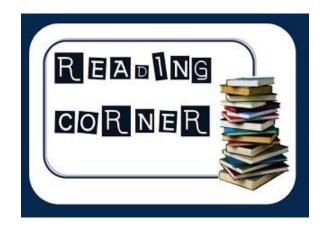
Bring in two foods that DO NOT go together. (peanut butter and tuna fish, jelly and baked beans) Dress in wacky

clothes that do not match. (Striped socks, a polka dot shirt, and plaid shorts.)





## THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!



Fall is a great time to curl up under a blanket with a great book! See Mrs. Abell if you need suggestions. "Today a reader, tomorrow a leader." -Margaret Fuller

Check out these resources: <a href="https://www.getepic.com/">https://www.getepic.com/</a>

http://www.abcya.com/ www.guysread.com www.storylineonline.net

#### Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?





8,000 words
10<sup>th</sup> percentile

By the end of 6<sup>th</sup> grade Student "A" will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student "B" will have read only 12 school days. Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school...and in life? (Nagy & Herman, 1987)

#### Something to Consider!

If you have a child just starting their school career, or if you have more than one child, please consider getting fingerprinted for AACPS. As long as you have a child in an AACPS school, the finger printing is good. This negates the need to have background check completed every 2 years.

There is a cost at \$58.25.

You need to make an appointment at the Board of Education to have this completed.

If we can get 25 people interested in being fingerprinted, our security office will come here to Millersville Elementary

School and complete the finger printing on site.

Please contact Mrs. Claytor if you are interested, and she will see if we can create a group and have it done at school.

This will make it easier to chaperone and participate in school events with your child.

