

Oct. 25, 2019

## Millstone River School Weekly Update

### PTA News

#### Oct 28 - Nov 15: MRS PTA's Annual Otis Spunkmeyer Fundraiser

Millstone River School PTA will be selling some of your favorite "ready-to bake" treats from Otis Spunkmeyer starting Oct. 28 - Nov. 15, 2019. In this three-weeklong fundraiser, MRS families will have an opportunity to buy delicious ready to bake family favorites from your favorite brands. These items are NOT available in stores! Now you can serve your family favorites at home! For more details click [here](#).

#### Nov. 14, 6.30 p.m. - F.U.N. Parent Night

*Millstone River School PTA invites you to an evening of fun and learning for parents!*

Learn how to be F.U.N. : Parents you would not want to miss this free event!!

**F -- How to be a *FABULOUS* parent:** Parents can only give out of who they are. Life is tough sometimes! So firstly, the session invests into the parents' own happiness. They are FABULOUS!

**U -- How to be an *UNDERSTANDING* parent:** So many problems stem from misunderstanding each other. This part helps us UNDERSTAND and see the gold in each other. It explains the four personality types in every home.

**N -- How to move forwards into something *NEW!*:** A happy family is one that is able to respect each other with healthy boundaries.

This amazing evening will be presented by Marc Griffiths, a world class motivational speaker, ventriloquist, author and a father of five who knows how difficult it is to balance family and work. Doors open at 6.30 p.m. More info - Click [here](#) or email [millstonepta@gmail.com](mailto:millstonepta@gmail.com)

#### Mark your Calendars:

- Nov. 13: Deadline to submit Reflections entries
- Nov. 14: *Not to be missed* - 'MRS Parents Night with Marc Griffiths'
- Nov 15 : Deadline to send in Otis order forms/Order Online
- MRS Theater Week: Dec 9 -13. Registrations open Nov 1.

**Useful links:** [PTA Facebook Page](#) | [PTA Website](#) | [Join the PTA](#)

## **SEPTSA**

- SEPTSA is a districtwide PTSA supporting parents, guardians and students who receive special education, related services and accommodations for physical, emotional and or learning challenges.
- If you have a student with an IEP or a 504 plan and you missed our table at Back To School Night, click [here](#) for the membership form.
- SEPTSA's First Parent Workshop is Nov. 14, 7 p.m. at Community Middle School. Dr. Teresa Herrero Taylor, Ph.D. BCBA-D, will present on the evaluation referral process and assessments (educational, psychological, speech-language) conducted by the child study team. Learn more about how testing determines special education eligibility and shapes IEP development.

**Useful Links:** [WW-P SEPTSA Facebook](#) | [WW-P SEPTSA Website](#)

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## **School News**

- Reminder that schools will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 7 and Friday, Nov. 8. Check out the [Academic Calendar](#) to see upcoming dates.

### **Harvest Parade 2019**

Thursday, Oct. 31, 2019 at 1:50 p.m.

The parade will start at 1:50 p.m. promptly. Guests must park at High School North and walk over to Millstone. Plainsboro Police will be here to assist with traffic and crossing Grovers Mill Road. Students and staff will be parading around the school waving to the crowd. Visitors will stand at the flagpole to have an opportunity to see their student in the parade.

\*\*\* Students should NOT under any circumstances bring a weapon as part of their costume, even if it is plastic. \*\*\*

If we have inclement weather, unfortunately, there will be no parade. Having the parade indoors is not an option this year due to the large number of classes. Class parties can run according to plan.

## **Notes to School**

Please be certain that all notes sent to school, for early dismissal or other such things, contain the full name of your child, name of teacher and the current date. We receive many notes and seek to be certain that all information being processed is correct.

### **Overdue Library Books?**

You may receive an email reminder of overdue library books. Please join our effort to teach our young friends organization and responsibility for returning books in a timely manner.

### **Follow MRS on Twitter**

We are doing our best to highlight school events and news, but our reach is not as far as we would like. Please consider following us on Twitter!

@MRS\_Eagles

@Dalton\_MRS\_WWP

@ErinFalk1

@HeatherShanklin

### **PTA**

**Thank you** to the **Millstone River School PTA** for the continued support of our school programs. This week our PTA and many volunteers supported the fourth grade program, Record Breakers. Despite damp weather, the PTA and group of volunteers worked diligently to support a fun time for all students.

We are reminded that the support of a strong PTA benefits all students in our school. If you have not already joined our PTA, it is never too late to join!

### **Millstone River School - School Spirit Days - CHANGES FOR November and December**

- Nov. 1: PJ Day - Wear your favorite comfy pjs and slippers! - **Change**
- Dec. 6: Crazy Hat Day - Wear your favorite, silliest, or most outrageous hat! Be creative and unique! - **Change**
- Jan. 3: Super Hero Day - Who's your Superhero? Pick one and dress the part!
- Jan. 31: Sports Day (Due to the Super Bowl) - Wear your favorite team jersey, uniform, hat (pro/college/HS/rec).
- Mar. 2-6: Dr. Seuss Day - Door Decorating Contest - (special activities TBA all week). Dress in Dr. Seuss colors, or costume, or hat... be creative and unique!
- Apr. 3: Crazy Hair Day - Wear your hair in the most outrageous or silliest way! Be creative!

- May 1: Buddy Up Twin Day - Get a partner and dress alike! Have fun. Be interesting!

### **Around the District News**

- Parents and students (ages 11 and up) are invited to join HSN and Community Middle School student organizations **HEAL and NuYu**, TONIGHT, Oct. 25 at 6 p.m. at High School North for a one-of-a-kind seminar on mental wellbeing with renowned speakers and mental health advocates. Click [here](#) for more information.
- Join us at the High School North National Honor Society's **Trunk or Treat** 4-6 p.m. Oct. 26 in the HSN stadium parking lot. Click [here](#) for more information.
- Village and Millstone River Schools are holding a **coat drive** for a local charity. The schools will be accepting clean, gently worn winter jackets and coats as well as NEW hats, scarves, gloves and mittens. Donations can be dropped off Saturday, Oct. 26 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Millstone River School.
- You're invited to the 11th induction ceremony of the **WW-P High School South Hall of Honor** on Nov. 2! The hall of honor was founded to connect the past to the present and the future; in recognizing those who have brought honor to our school we keep alive the spirit of South. These honorees are an integral part of our history. Check out the [website for this year's inductees and to purchase tickets](#) or send a check (for \$25 made out to WWP HSS Hall of Honor) to Cathy Tantum at HSS.
- **WW-P United Pink-Out Football Game - Nov. 1.** October is breast cancer awareness month! Come out and support the WW-P United Football Team by wearing pink and black for the last home game at High School North on Friday, Nov. 1 at 7 p.m.! Show your support for breast cancer awareness by wearing pink and black!

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### **District Updates**

- [District Website](#) | [Academic Calendars](#) | [Event Calendar](#)

### **Counseling and Wellness**

- Check out the upcoming [Parent University Events](#) for the 2019-20 school year.

### **Community Education**

- Winter After School Enrichment is now open for registration. Spaces fill fast, so do not delay! Download the brochure from the district [website](#). Registration closes Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2020.
- [Check out](#) some exciting Family Fun Nights and Upcoming Adult Program available through Community Education.
- Extended Day Program registration is ongoing throughout the school year! [Sign up when you need it.](#)
- Space is still available in the morning and afternoon Kindergarten Extension. Register through [Community Education](#) under 2019-20 Extended Day, KE, Pre-K.

### **Community Events**

- Are you looking for programs, clubs and things to do around WW-P? Check out the [community event section](#) on the district's website!

### **Food Services**

- Make sure to download [Sodexo's So Happy app](#)! Download the app to view nutritional information, allergens and more. Check out the [menus](#) for October!

### **WW-P Board of Education**

- Check out the upcoming [Board of Education Meetings](#) and materials.

**Make sure to follow the district on WW-P's official social media pages.**

[Twitter](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [LinkedIn](#) | [Youtube](#)