

THE PONY EXPRESS

A Monthly Newsletter From Mill Street's Home & School Association





Order Your
Mill Street
Grows
Engraved
Pavers!

What is Mill Street Grows?

Mill Street Grows is the project name for the creation and utilization of outdoor classroom spaces at Mill Street Elementary School, which will begin installation in the Spring of 2020!

How Can Families Support Mill Street Grows?

You should have received an order form for the purchase of engraved pavers. The pavers will include a message of your choosing to leave your students' presence at Mill Street forever! Additional funding opportunities will be upcoming this year, so be on the lookout for more information!

This project is being 100% funded by the Mill Street community and will not receive any funds from District 203.



Home & School Meeting

Tuesday, January 14th 7 p.m.

Please join us for the first Home & School meeting of 2020. Mrs. Salness will give her "State of Mill Street" presentation that she delivered at the District 203 meeting on December 16th. All Parents and Guardians are invited to attend.



Science Club: January Meeting

What: Using a variety of

activities to conduct experiments and learn STEM concepts.

Who: Any 3rd, 4th or 5th grader interested in Science.

When: Wednesday, January 8th from 7:15-8 a.m.

Where: MPR (we will send students to their classrooms when finished).

Questions: Contact Carrie Hess (<u>carrie hess@yahoo.com</u>) or Chris Jacks (<u>chris.jacks@sbcglobal.net</u>).

Please consider volunteering at one or more Science Club meetings. Volunteer by following this link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4aa8ab2fa6f49-mill1.



SAVE YOUR CANS

The Mill Street Environmental Club is hosting a can collecting contest

between each homeroom. Save your recyclable cans, and place them in large trash bags, labeled with the correct homeroom. There are two locations to drop off bags: (1) outside of the can collection cage located on the south-end of the staff parking lot and (2) in the large collection bin located in the MPR hallway. The top three homerooms will win a prize! The final date for the can collection will be the first week of May.

Mill Street Night Out

Monday, January 13th 4-8 p.m.



Red Robin at Cantera (28260 Diehl Rd.) Help us earn 20% for Home & School!

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Also, we would like to thank everyone who participated in the Mill Street Night Out event at Lou Malnati's in December! We were able to raise \$280.77 for Home & School!



2019-2020 Mill Street School Yearbook

Order your Mill Street School 2019-2020 Yearbook Before It's Too Late!

The 2019-2020 Mill Street School Yearbook has 72, full-color pages boasting the best of our students and staff from the school year. To ensure that you get a copy, please order online at: https://www.balfour.com/illinois/naperville/mill-street-elementary-school by **January 31**st.



The Run Club would like to thank everyone for their amazing work in 2019. Through the Cross Town Classic race, we were able to raise and donate over \$2,000 to the Ronald McDonald House.

It is \$85 per night for an Edward's family room, meaning we were able to fund 24 nights for a family in need. Also, a big congratulations to our 4th graders who won the very competitive pop top contest. Stay tuned for your prize. We hope you all stay warm this Winter, and look forward to seeing you again for Spring Run Club.



If you would like to hear about Mill Street volunteer opportunities please email Home & School Vice President, Carly Nguyen, at: millstreethands@gmail.com.

Save the Date:



Fun Fair DuPage Children's Museum

Thursday February 27th 6-9 p.m.

Join us for a night of family fun! There is no school the next day, so spend the night exploring the Children's Museum during this private after-hours event for Mill Street families and friends. Play carnival games, enjoy tasty food, and participate in the raffle for a chance to win some great items!

Ticket can be ordered via the paper form that you should have received or online for a small transaction fee: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/82879162807. Ticket prices will increase after January 24th, so order your tickets today!

Questions: Please contact us at millstreetfunfair@gmail.com.



Candy Cane Caring was a success again this year raising \$1,113.50. That is over 4,500 messages of kindness spread throughout our school.

Thank you to everyone that purchased a gram! Your money will help support Mill Street families as needs arise.

Also, thank you to our amazing parent volunteers and staff that helped support this initiative.

Finally, thank you to St. Timothy's Lutheran Church for your partnership with the holiday Mill Street Cares Packages program.

The program sends food and gift cards home to families over extended school breaks. The Church's generous donations made 25 families' holidays so much better!

	JANUARY 2020			HOME SCHOOL Mill Street Elementary School		
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			NO SCHOOL Winter Vacation	NO SCHOOL Winter Vacation	NO SCHOOL Winter Vacation	4
5	NO SCHOOL NO SCHOOL	RETURN TO SCHOOL Back to School	Science Club 7:15-8 a.m.	9	10	11
12	Mill Street Night Out 4-8 p.m. Red Robin at Cantera	General H&S Meeting 7 p.m. in the LC	15	16	17	18
19	NO SCHOOL MIK Day	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	Open House 6-8 p.m.	31	