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SOCIAL SKILLOF THE MONTH: PAY ATTENTION

Mission Statement: Our mission is to provide high levels of teaching and learning to help students achieve maximum academic growth and social development.



From the Principal's Desk.....

AT MILNE WE'VE GOT THE
P.O.W.E.R.!!

Red Ribbon Week Is Coming!!

At Milne Elementary we PLEDGE TO BE DRUG FREE! We are grooming our students to be successful adults who are career and college ready. A part of that is making good choices and staying drug free. During the week of October 22ND - 26th we will be displaying these good choices by participating in activities that show our commitment. Below is a calendar of events for Red Ribbon Week. Please help us get your child excited about saying **No To Drugs** by helping them participate that week.

HERE ARE THE "SPECIAL DRESS DAYS" AND THE IMPORTANT MESSAGES BEHIND EACH ONE!

Monday, 10/22: Wear RED - "Unified Against Drugs!"

Tuesday, 10/23: Wear SUNGLASSES - "Shade Out" Drugs!

Wednesday, 10/24: Wear CAMOUFLAGE -

"Waging War Against Drugs!"

Thursday, 10/25: Wear CRAZY SOCKS- "Sock-It" to Drugs!

Friday, 10/26: CHARACTER DRESS-ALIKE DAY-



We have NO time for drugs,
because we
"Stay In the Books!!"

Have your child dress like their favorite character from their favorite book. They must bring the book on this day. Parents, join us for the Character Parade on Friday, October 26 at 8:15 am.

On October 31st we ask that all students and staff wear ORANGE and jeans to close out Anti-Bullying Month with the message: 'Orange' you glad you AREN'T a bully??

*No Excuses, Yes We Can, Together We WILL!
Go BEARS!!*



Principal Shane

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER!

OCTOBER IS ANTI-BULLYING MONTH!

October 19 Anti-Bullying Door Decoration Contest

October 20 FALL FUN FESTIVAL 10 am. – 2 pm.

October 22 – November 2 EARLY VOTING

October 22-26 RED RIBBON WEEK

October 24 Early Dismissal Day #2 12:30 pm.

October 26 CHARACTER DRESS ALIKE DAY

October 26 DISTRICT ATTENDANCE

SNAPSHOT DAY

October 26 Report Cards Go Home (K-5)

MILNE SCIENCE VOCABULARY WORDS of the Week: *Ask Your Child About Them!*

SCOPE: Experimental Design
(5.2ABCDEF)

Monday, October 15th: **Conclusion**

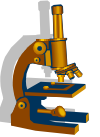
Tuesday, October 16th: **Inference**

Wednesday, October 17th: **Direct**

Evidence

Thursday, October 18th: **Indirect Evidence**

Friday, October 19th: **Variable**



THE FALL FESTIVAL IS HERE!!

Are you ready for a day filled with fun, fellowship and entertainment? Are you ready to bid on Silent Auction Baskets and try your luck at our Raffle Prizes? We urge you to come out with family and friends to our **Fall Fun Festival this Saturday, October 20th from 10:00 am. – 2:00 pm.** for what promises to be an awesome event! Thank you to those parents and community members who have volunteered to help man booths, send in items for prizes, or help decorate for this Saturday's event. **We are still in need of cakes for the cake walk, sodas, and prizes for our booths.** Please send in these items each day between now and Saturday so we can get an accurate account of what we still need to make the festival a success. It is going to be a fun day and we look forward to seeing you all there!!

BUY \$1 RAFFLE TICKETS AND TEST YOUR LUCK IN WINNING:

Child's Bike (Two Available to Win)

Wal-Mart Gift Cards (Five \$10 Cards Available to Win)

Visa Gift Card (\$25)

Toys R Us Gift Cards (Two \$25 Cards)

T.G.I. Fridays Gift Card (\$10)

Old Navy Gift Card (\$25)

Target Gift Card(\$50)

Food Town Gift Cards

Family Coupon Booklet

All Expense Paid Trip for Two

MORE RAFFLE ITEMS BEING DONATED DAILY!!!

TICKETS ON SALE IN THE FRONT OFFICE!!!

Silent Auction Baskets are ready to be bid on!! Take a look at them at the front of the school for which basket you will try your hand in winning!!

"At A.A. Milne we are Always and Only about getting Smarter and Stronger."

ATTENTION A. A. MILNE Parents:

PARENTS, VOTE EARLY FOR THIS YEAR'S ELECTION AND EARN YOUR CHILD A FREE DRESS PASS!!

EARLY VOTING DATES: OCTOBER 22 - NOVEMBER 2, 2012

For EVERY parent who votes early and can bring or send in proof of early voting (your voting ticket given when you vote), your child will earn a "WE VOTED EARLY FREE DRESS PASS" that they can use to COME TO SCHOOL OUT OF UNIFORM any day of their choosing! We know your children will appreciate having CHOICE in their school attire! Help them out, VOTE EARLY!!!

ATTENDANCE SHINES AT MILNE!!

98% or Higher
HELP US MEET OUR CAMPUS ATTENDANCE GOAL

We set a goal of 98% (or higher) attendance for the 2012 - 2013 school year and have been tracking our percentages on the bulletin board at the front of the school. We just received our current average attendance percentages for the first 3 months of the school year, and we can see a slight INCREASE over the same months from last year. This year our current average attendance is 96.9%. This same time last year our percentage was 96.8%. We have seen a decline in attendance every month since school began and we are shooting for even better numbers when the district sends us our averages again in the next couple of months. Parents, 96.9% might be a great number when we are discussing grades, but when we are talking about attendance we cannot have the same mindset. We need a higher percentage of students in attendance each day in order for the teaching and learning to be meaningful, the school to reach Exemplary status, and to meet Adequate Yearly Progress (the expectation the federal government has that we make improvements as a school from year to year). Please help us reach our goal of 98% of our students in attendance by having your child here every day. As we head into cold and flu season, we know that students may begin to get sick. What we are asking of you is to send them to school every day, even if it's cold out, and we'll take care of them while they are here. The only way they can learn and be successful is if they are present. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!

Fundraising is IMPORTANT at Milne!! HELP YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL!!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR A. A. MILNE - start collecting box tops now! YOU CAN EARN CASH FOR YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL BY CLIPPING BOX TOPS COUPONS FROM



BRIGHT SPARK AWARD Mrs. Ebony Johnson

This school year at Milne our theme is "We've got the P.O.W.E.R." (Producing Outcomes With Engagement and Rigor). Each week we will highlight staff members who provide that extra power surge to our campus by going above and beyond what their regular duties ask of them. This week's *Bright Spark* is one of our fantastic first grade teachers, Mrs. Ebony Johnson. This year we asked our teacher leaders to step into roles that will support the teaching and learning all throughout the campus. Mrs. Johnson is definitely a leader, filling the roles of Laser i3 Site Coordinator, Effective Teacher Initiative Representative, and Math and Science Lead teacher. She is truly IRREPLACEABLE!! She gives her time after school to attend trainings and to bring the information gleaned back to our teachers and students here at Milne. We'd like to say a HUGE thank you to Mrs. Johnson for her dedication to supporting the teachers and students at Milne through leadership.

Way to P.O.W.E.R. Up!!

JOIN THE MILNE PTA

The Milne PTA is holding its annual membership drive. We are asking all parents and teachers to join the PTA. The cost of PTA membership is \$15.00 per family. Parents with multiple children will pay for only one membership. Classrooms with the largest number of PTA memberships will receive a PIZZA PARTY! The money from the membership drive is used to purchase items for the many programs we have throughout the school year. Please return your membership fee today!



**PARENTS, WE NEED YOU IN THE PTA!!
JOIN US!!**

STUDENT SAFETY: ARE YOU FOLLOWING THE RULES OF THE ROAD AT MILNE?



Student Safety Above ALL Else. There are some very important reminders that we must adhere to.

We ask parents to observe speed limits and to be courteous as you drop off and pick-up your children. Please do not leave your cars in the morning and after school when dropping off and picking up your children so the process runs smoothly and traffic does not get backed up. We are noticing that students are tardy to school because the traffic is backed up due to parents blocking the driveway. If you need to come into the building, please park your car in a designated parking space or on the street. **No cars should be parked in the bus rider loading area.** It is important to get all students into and out of the building safely and on time. We need your help to ensure student safety and to keep traffic flowing every day.