

# Mills Moments

## John Mills School

“Simply Amazing”

August 21, 2009

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### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**Aug. 24** Breakfast Program Begins, 8:20 a.m.

**Aug. 26** Late Start, student entry at 9:12 a.m.

### **Principally Speaking**

Mrs. Kutrubis and I would like to welcome all parents of returning students and new students to John Mills School. We're so happy to have your children and look forward to a great year. This year's theme is “Simply Amazing” – we hope to keep our students amazed all year through learning, discussion and experiences.

On **Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**, breakfast will be available to all students. Please refer to the backside of Mills Moments for more information.

At my “Back to School” assembly, I reviewed our P.R.I.D.E. school rules and emphasized that **SAFETY** is our number one priority in our school whether it's in the classroom, hallways playground or to and from school. We are all working together to keep our children safe.

Again, welcome to the 2009-2010 school year. I look forward to seeing everyone on your child's Curriculum Night.

### **New Staff Members**

We would like to welcome the following staff members who have joined us: Ms. Romano – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher, Mrs. Baron – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher and Mr. Pietroski – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher. We also like to welcome back Mrs. Rickenbrode who was on a leave of absence.

### **Entry/Exit Times**

Everyday but Wednesday, students will enter at 8:35 a.m. and will leave at 3:00 p.m. On Wednesdays, students will enter at 9:12 a.m. and leave at 3:00 p.m. There is no supervision before 8:20 a.m. everyday but Wednesday. On Wednesdays outside supervision begins at 8:55 a.m.

### **Attention all 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Graders!**

There will be a brief information session for students interested in joining choir. The meeting will take place in the gym at 8:00 am on **Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>**. Hope to see you then. - Mrs. Rippe and Mrs. Drozd

### **Dental Forms**

If you have not already done so, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students please turn in your required dental forms for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades to our nurse, Vicky Gillespie.

### **Parenting Tips**

Throughout the year, Mrs. Kutrubis, our assistant principal, will provide you with parenting tips which will cover items on education, safety and other issues. Check it out in next week's “Mills Moments”.

### **Parent-Student Handbook**

Our 2009-2010 Parent-Student Handbook will go home next week with the students. You will also receive a check-off sheet that needs to be signed and returned to your child's homeroom teacher. Until you receive the handbook, we would like to review some pertinent information:

**Cell Phones** – Phones may be brought to school, but are not to be turned on during the school day or during school-related activities. They are to remain off and in backpacks and/or lockers.

**Dress Code** - It's a safety issue, “flip-flops” (beach wear shoes) are not to be worn at school as well as tank tops or muscle shirts. Shorts and skirts must extend down the leg at least far enough that the student's fingertips touch the bottom of the garment.

**Discipline** – Good behavior is expected throughout the school – in classrooms, hallways, cafeteria, outside property, assemblies, on buses and at extracurricular activities.

### **Picture Day**

Picture Day is scheduled for **Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Every student will be photographed regardless if they purchase a picture package. Please take time this weekend to look over the variety of packages being offered. The students must have their money envelope with them at the time the picture is taken if they are purchasing a package.

### **PTA**

Our Parent Teacher Association will hold its first meeting on **Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** Everyone is invited to attend. If you have not yet become a member, we encourage you to do so for the cost of \$5.00 per member.

**Please Mark Your Calendars!**

**Curriculum Nights**


**September 3<sup>rd</sup>, Grades 1-3, 7:00-8:00 p.m.**

**September 10<sup>th</sup>, Grades 4-6, 7:00-8:00 p.m.**



# BREAKFAST AT MILLS!

STARTING ON MONDAY, AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup>, 8:20 A.M.  
STUDENTS MUST ENTER AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE.  
NO CASH WILL BE TAKEN ANY MORNING.



## AUGUST 2009

START THE DAY OFF WITH BREAKFAST!

MONDAY    TUESDAY    WEDNESDAY    THURSDAY    FRIDAY

<p><b><u>Buy a Meal &amp; Get a Deal!</u></b></p> <p><b>BREAKFAST for Brain Power!</b>  <b>Full Meal \$1.25</b>  <b>Reduced Meal \$.30</b>  <b>Adult Meal \$2.00</b></p>	<p><b><u>Meal Deal</u></b>          Includes          Bread/Grain          with          Meat Alternate          with          Fruit Juice          and          Milk          Choose at least          3 or all 4!</p>	<p><b>BREAKFAST MEAL DEAL</b>          Choose at least 3 or 4 of the choices offered each day</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Bread/Grain</li> <li>2) Meat Alternate</li> <li>3) Fruit Juice</li> <li>4) Milk.</li> </ol> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Milk is included with breakfast. Milk ala carte \$ .50</p>		
<p><b>17</b>  <b>FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL</b>          (1 hour)           No breakfast served</p>	<p><b>18      19      20      21</b></p> <p><b>GET READY FOR THE BIG DAY!</b></p> <p><b>BREAKFAST</b></p> <p><b>STARTS MONDAY, AUGUST 24th</b></p>			
<p><b>24</b>          Cheese Stick          Fruit Loops          Cereal          Juice          White Milk</p>	<p><b>25</b>          Breakfast Muffin          Sunbutter Juice          White Milk</p>	<p><b>26</b>          Danimal Strawberry Yogurt          Breakfast Muffin Juice          White Milk</p>	<p><b>27</b>          Cheese Stick          Team Cheerios          Cereal Bar          Juice          White Milk</p>	<p><b>28</b>          Mini Bagel          Sunbutter Juice          White Milk</p>
<p><b>31</b>          Cheese Stick          Apple Jacks          Cereal          Juice          White Milk</p>				

## JOHN MILLS - BREAKFAST MENU

**District 401 Lunch Guidelines:**

Students need to maintain a positive account balance. Cash or checks made payable to Elmwood Park School District 401 are accepted. Notification of student account balances are sent home with the students when their accounts are at \$5.00 or less. Students who forget to bring breakfast & do not have money on their account will be offered ONLY a sunbutter sandwich and milk for 6 breakfast/lunch meals maximum. Their account will be charged for a meal each time.

Menus are subject to change without notice.

