NOVEMBER 9, 2017

### Mustang Messenger

November Citizenship

Thursday, November 9
Veteran's Day Performances

Friday, November 10, 2017 Veterans Day REGULAR SCHOOL DAY Honor Roll Assemblies 5th grade 12:20, 3rd grade 1:10, 4th grade 1:40

Friday, November 17, 2017 Fall Carnival (see page 3) Character Counts

Wednesday – Friday, November 22-24 Thanksgiving Break – Student/Teacher Holiday

**Tuesday, November 28, 2017** SAC Meeting

December All Pillars

**Friday, December 1, 2017**Box Tops begins

Wednesday, December 6, 2017
Donuts with Dad

Friday, December 15, 2017 Box Top ends

**Thursday, December 21, 2017**Second Quarter/First Semester Ends

Friday, Thursday, Dec. 22, 2017 – Jan. 4, 2018

Winter Break – Student/Teacher Holiday

January Respect

Friday, January 5, 2018

Teacher Planning Day – Student Holiday



Each year, the MCE Student Council holds a food drive to benefit St. Francis House of St. Augustine. All generous donations of non-perishable

food items collected will help provide hot meals and food boxes to individuals and families at St. Francis House. Donations will be collected **October 30 - November 17**.



Nut/Peanut Awareness Reminder - As a reminder, Mill Creek

practices Nut/Peanut Awareness. ALL celebration (birthday) treats/
snacks MUST have PRIOR APPROVAL by the classroom
teacher should be **store bought/prepackaged** with a label clearly
listing all ingredients. Additionally, treats going into nut/peanut-free
classrooms cannot contain peanuts or tree nuts, **nor can the label state**that they have been processed in a facility that also
processes peanuts or tree nuts. Letters were sent home to all
nut/peanut free classrooms at the beginning of the year. When
treats/snacks are approved and brought to the front office, an
approval label will be placed and signed by the nurse to inform the
teacher that the treats/snacks have been approved. Thank you in
advance as we work hard to include all students in practices at Mill
Creek and this just continues to support and strengthen our Mustang
family.

#### **UDPATED:** ATTENDANCE POLICY

- Regular attendance is important for your child's success in school. The county's attendance policy in its entirety can be found at <a href="http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/student/attendance/">http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/student/attendance/</a>
- UPDATED: Any student who has been absent from school is required to bring a completed and signed Mill Creek Absentee Note from the student's parent/guardian the day the student returns to school stating the cause of the absence. If your student has been out 3 or more consecutive days, you will also need to provide a note from a physician. Beginning January 1, 2018, the MCES Absentee Form will be required for all absences.
- Please call our attendance line at 547-3737 to report each absence. Calling the attendance line does not excuse the absence.
- The "Blackboard Connect" Rapid Notification system will be used to make calls to report student absences to parents.
- After 15 days of absence per school year, whether excused or unexcused, a student must have a doctor's verification for all subsequent absences. The following constitutes an excused absence: personal illness, illness of an immediate family member, death in the family, doctor's appointment, dentist appointment, religious holidays of the student's established religious faith, special events (when approved by the Principal).
- Students having a communicable disease or infection that can be transmitted to others are to be excluded from school and are not allowed to return until they are no longer infectious. (Florida Statute 1003.22).



### Mill Creek is Filling Up with Mustang P-R-I-D-E!



Students deposit their pride bucks in the hopper and then we draw students' names each week to receive the Golden PRIDE trophies to keep on their desk for the remainder of the week! Keep up the great PRIDE,

Mustangs!



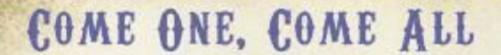


Congratulations to this week's recipients:





Gus W, Joshua M, Mia H, Logan A, Jaylessa R, Matthew T, Isabella B, Frank B, Sophia L, Jake S, Marissa Z



Mill Creek Elementary PTA PRESENTS



# FALL CARNIVAL

Friday, November 17th, 2017

#### 5:30 - 8:30 PM on the back fields

MOTION, CARNIVAL GAMES, PETTING ZOO, FACE PAINTING, CAKE WALK, FOOD VENDORS AND LIVE PERFORMANCES

\$15 each for first 2 students in the family, additional students are \$5. Parents and children under 3 are FREE!

PONY RIDES, PIE THE TEACHER IN THE FACE, AND BALLOON ANIMALS ARE ALL \$1. FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!!!

Please Park in Designated Areas.
Overflow parking available at
Villages Church and Our Lady of
Good Counsel. Shuttles will be
available throughout the event.



Mark your calendars!

A Carnival is coming to

Mill Creek!

Friday, November 17th



Mill Creek's Carnival is the biggest event of the school year.

In order to make this event so successful, we need all the help we can get. If you are a mom, dad, grandparent, aunt, uncle, friend, or even a high school/middle school student (you will get volunteer hours)

WE NEED YOU!

Please follow this link to sign up.

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b49a5aa2dabf94-carnival

WE THANK YOU!
Your Mill Creek PTA

Please support our business partners!



## **PTA NEWS**

Friday November 10th is our "Hurricane Make-up Day" and our Honor Roll Celebration for 3rd-5th grade.

If your child in 3-5th grade received all "A's" or "A's and B's" then your child is invited to the celebration on Friday. 5th grade will start at 12:20, 3rd grade is shortly after 1:pm and 4th grade will start at 1:40pm. This celebration will take place on the stage outside Philly Plaza.

Here is the link for volunteers for our Fall Carnival coming up, Friday November 17th.

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b49a5aa2dabf94-carnival

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this link. You can also address Leah Sullivan, Nery De Los Santos or Mayra Medina for carnival questions.

Student Council is still collecting non-perishable food that will be donated to St. Francis House until November 17th. Please bring in your cans to your classrooms. Thanks to everyone who has donated so far.