



Mills Moments

John Mills School

November 22, 2016



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Elmwood Park, IL 60707

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Laura Magruder, Principal
Jamie Ponce, Assistant Principal

A Message from our Principal

Happy Thanksgiving to all of our Mills students, families, staff and community members. It is at this time that I give thanks for all you do to make John Mills a great school and place to be. Speaking of a great place to be, our Fun Run was a great success. The kids had a wonderful time running and the support we received from our parents was amazing. Thank you to everyone who helped raise pledges, volunteered or came out to cheer our kids on. Don't forget though, we still haven't reached our goal, so we are keeping pledging open through Sunday, November 27. If we reach our goal of increased pledges over the weekend, there will be a homework pass for all students on Monday, November 28 AND if we reach our goal of getting pledges from all 50 states, Mrs. Ponce I and will get SLIMED! You can submit your pledges at FunRun.com.

Student Council News

Student Council collected 378 canned and boxed food along with toiletries and new unwrapped toys for the Leyden Township's Needy Fund Drive. Thank you to all that donated. This will help many less fortunate families in our township have a nicer holiday season. The top classroom collections are:

Mrs. Demas's Class had 62

Mrs. Malizzio's class had 52

Mr. Sylvano's class had 37

School Closing Information

Wintry weather is now upon on us and we would like to take this time to review our "school closing procedures" with you. Dr. Anderson, our Superintendent, will decide by 6:00 a.m. whether or not to close school when there is severe weather and will initiate the District's automated call system. The decision will be made with the safety of our students, parents and staff in mind.

If we do not close, you should make every effort to get your child to school; unless, of course, there are extreme circumstances, such as you're experiencing car problems or your child has a medical condition which will not allow him/her to walk to school. We ask that you dial the District's designated number – 708-452-7272, press 8 or go online at www.epcusd401.org if you're unsure school is in session.

Greetings from Mrs. Ponce

As Thanksgiving approaches, I would like to take a moment to say how grateful I am to be a part of the John Mills community. I am so fortunate to be working in a school with such dedicated staff, students, and parents. Thank you for your warm welcome and I look forward to a great rest of the school year. Please enjoy your holiday break with your loved ones and we'll see you back at school, Monday, November 28th.

A Message from the Nurse

Vision and hearing screening is almost complete for all grade levels at John Mills. If you received a referral letter, please have your child see the eye or ear doctor as soon as possible and send back the completed form to school.



Trick or Treat for UNICEF Thank You

Thank you to all the families that helped the Elmwood Park High School Key Club by participating in the UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund) project. John Mills families and friends have collected \$358.59.

School Closed:

Wednesday, November 23

Thursday, November 24

Friday, November 25



