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PTA Schoolhouse Scoop

May 7, 2017



Important Dates\*

**Ongoing:** 2017-2018 School Supply Kit Sale!! Order supplies by June 30th for best pricing at [www.edukitinc.com](http://www.edukitinc.com)

**May 8: Parent Presentation:** Wilton Youth Council presents *You Don’t Know Me Until You Know Me: A One-Man Performance* by Michael Fowlin, PhD. Click [**here**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8rSdN3qbGSKZ3gxT2ZZaldYWmc/view?usp=sharing) for more info.

**May 9:** Kindergarten 2017-2018 Orientation for registered families with last names starting with A-L. Starts at 9:45am in the Gym. Doors open at 9:30. Please follow signs for parking.

**May 10:** Kindergarten 2017-2018 Orientation for registered families with last names starting with M-Z. Starts at 9:45am in the Gym. Doors open at 9:30. Please follow signs for parking.

**May 11:** Second Grade Music Show: Starts at **9:30am** for Scholz, Kear & Bisceglie

**May 11:** Second Grade Music Show. Starts at **2pm** for Vickrey, Geluso & Miller

**May 11:** Board of Education Regular Meeting. Starts 7pm WHS Professional Library.

**May 15:** PTA Meeting. Starts at 9:30am in the Cafeteria.

**May 15:** Box Top Competition Begins.

**May 15:** First Grade Field Trip to Maritime Center. Starts at 9:15am. (Dempsey, Tripaldi, Sarno & Young)\*\*

**May 15-16:** Cider Mill Third Graders to visit second grade classrooms.

**May 17:** First Grade Field Trip to Maritime Center. Starts at 9:15am. (Nelson, Ronk, Ennis, Racz

& Hastings)\*\*

**May 17-18:** Fine Arts Performance “The Monster Who Ate My Peas”

**May 19:** Kindergarten Field Trip to Sherwood Island. Starts at 9:15am. (Badolato, Burdick,

Brunetto, Reeves, Sanna & Srihari)

**May 22:** Kindergarten Field Trip to Sherwood Island. Starts at 9:15am. (Dec, Dentice, Giaimo,

Lyons, Margolin & Sullivan)

**May 22:** First Grade Field Trip to Maritime Center. Starts at 9:15am. (Hussey, Hnath, Packard &

Cook)\*\*

**May 22:** Second Graders Visit Cider Mill for Tour and Presentation. Starts at 9:15am. (Constantino, Geluso, McGann, Miller, Scholz & Vickrey)

**May 25:** Second Grade Music Show. Starts at **9:30am** for Forrest, Magner, Margid & Pampillonio

**May 25:** Second Grade Music Show. Starts at **2pm** for Casl, Constantino & McGann

**May 26:** LAST DAY to turn in Box Tops for final competition of the school year.

**May 28:** Get Smart for Wilton 5K. Benefitting the Wilton Education Foundation. See info below.

**May 29:** Memorial Day. Schools and Offices Closed.

**May 30:**  Second Graders Visit Cider Mill for Tour and Presentation. Starts at 9:15am. (Bisceglie, Casl, Forrest, Kear, Magner, Margid & Pampillonio)

**May 30:** Kindergarten Celebration of Learning. Starts at 9:30am.

**May 31:** First Grade Celebration of Learning. Starts at 2pm.

**June 2:** Second Grade Celebration of Learning. Starts at 1:20pm for Constantino, Kear, Magner & Miller

**June 2:** Second Grade Celebration of Learning. Starts at 2:15pm for Bisceglie, Casl, Forrest, Geluso, Margid, McGann, Pampillonio, Scholz & Vickery

**June 6:** First Grade Field Day. Starts at 9:30am for Dempsey, Ennis, Hnath, Hussey, Packard, Racz & Tripaldi

**June 7:** First Grade Field Day. Starts at 9:30am for Cook, Hastings, Nelson, Ronk, Sarno & Young

**June 9:** Second Grade Picnic. Starts at 11am.

**June 12:** Kindergarten Field Day. Starts at 9:30am for Badolato, Burdick, Giaimo, Lyons, Margolin & Reeves

**June 13:** Kindergarten Field Day. Starts at 9:30am for Brunetto, Dec, Dentice, Sanna, Srihari & Sullivan

**June 21-23:** Early Dismissal at 1:15pm. No lunch served.

**June 23:**  Last Day of School. HAPPY SUMMER!

\*While we do our best to accurately reflect dates and times of school meetings and events, it is possible that there are changes. Please check the calendar on Edline for the most up to date information.

**\*\*Please note changes to the date classes are attending the First Grade Maritime Aquarium trip. Some adjustments were made in the 4/30/17 edition**

School News

✚ **2017-2018 School Supply Kits on sale Now!! Order Miller-Driscoll School Supplies Now to be ready for the fall!**

Orders are ONLY accepted online. Order by June 30th for Best Pricing and Free Shipping.

To order your kits online, please follow these simple steps:

1. Go to [www.edukitinc.com](http://www.edukitinc.com)
2. Enter Wilton’s zip code 06897 to find Miller-Driscoll School
3. Choose the appropriate grade level kit – REMEMBER TO CHOOSE THE GRADE YOUR CHILD WILL BE ENTERING IN THE FALL!
4. Your child’s kit will be delivered to the classroom

\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\* Be sure to keep your receipt as proof of purchase

Questions? Contact Jackie Shaw at [jackielshaw@hotmail.com](mailto:jackielshaw@hotmail.com)

New this year! Miller-Driscoll PTA is expanding our school supply donation program within Wilton, and surrounding communities. We have partnered with Wilton Social Services and local organizations in Bridgeport and Norwalk. Please consider making a donation towards providing school supplies for students in Wilton and surrounding communities. The PTA will work directly with Wilton Social Services and local community organizations in Norwalk/Bridgeport to select, purchase and distribute the much needed items. Donations can be made when purchasing your kits online. Thank you for your support!

✚ **Miller-Driscoll PTA Chairperson opportunities for the 2017-2018 school year!**

Help the Miller-Driscoll PTA continue its tradition of programming and curriculum enrichment! Below is a list of open positions for the 2017-2018 school year:

* Secretary\* (Board of Directors Position) \*PTA position needed for PTA to run
* Parent at Large (Board of Directors Position)
* Directory (MobileArq)
* Special Education Representative
* Kindergarten Room Rep Coordinator
* Science Enrichment-Kindergarten
* Pumpkin Carving
* Visiting Author
* Fun Fitness Night—All Grades
* Kindergarten Parent Social

If you are willing to lend your time and talents or would like to learn more about any of the above positions please contact Evelyn Drew at [evelyndrew@gmail.com](mailto:evelyndrew@gmail.com)

✚ **Box Tops Competition—Final Opportunity of the Year!**

Our 3rd and final Box Tops competition will take place from May 15th-May 26th. Those of you that have been saving your Box Tops for that special moment…now is your time!! Dust off those scissors, check the expiration dates, and send in those Box Tops! You would be amazed at how quickly $0.10 adds up. Miller-Driscoll has received a total of $2,334.20 this year from all the Box Tops you have submitted. What a great accomplishment! Please reach out to Jennifer Lalor with any questions ([jennifercombslalor@yahoo.com](mailto:jennifercombslalor@yahoo.com)). Looking forward to a strong finish

✚ **Attention 2nd Grade Parents!! Cider Mill PTA opportunities for the 2017-2018 school year!**

Calling all second grade parents moving up to Cider Mill. Get involved in the Cider Mill PTA! Volunteering is a great way to be involved with your child’s school. Here are some open positions for next year for the Cider Mill PTA:

You can find descriptions of many of the roles at <http://www.cidermillpta.org/committee-descriptions>

* President
* Vice President of Fundraising
* 3rd Grade Fun Night
* 3rd Grade Great Books
* 3rd Grade River Study
* Marketing

If you have any questions about any of the roles, please contact Tara Snow at [tanda@optonline.net](mailto:tanda@optonline.net) or at **203-563-0866**

✚ **Spring Family Photo Days by Karen Morneau Photography**

Talented photographer and Miller-Driscoll parent, Karen Morneau, is holding family photo sessions to benefit the Miller-Driscoll PTA. A $50 donation to the PTA will secure your 30 minute mini session on either Sunday, June 4th and Saturday, June 10th. Click [**here**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8rSdN3qbGSKNWF5ODlvLTNVTU0/view?usp=sharing) for the flyer and more information on how to schedule your session. Questions? Contact Karen at karen@karenmorneauphotography.com

✚ **Congratulations! National Reflections Winner, Eddie Musser!**

Second grader Eddie Musser has been granted an Award of Excellence at the National Level for his music composition in the Primary Division of the national PTA Reflections Competition. This is a high honor and great accomplishment! He will be receiving a silver medal, a $200 prize, and he will be honored at a state ceremony on Wednesday, May 10. Please join us in congratulating Eddie!

Ongoing News at Miller-Driscoll

✚ **Show your School Spirit!**

The first Friday in each month is school spirit day where we all show our school spirit. The next spirit day is **Friday June 2nd.**

✚ **Miller-Driscoll Annual Letter of Appeal---**Click [**here**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QVAwKxLLF6pdLtIy9JPaIluIAzdGiP7IH-fxZlfc-sw/edit?usp=sharing) for Annual Letter of Appeal

✚ **Miller-Driscoll PTA Membership**

Membership in the Miller-Driscoll PTA is now ONLINE and PAPERLESS! Just go to <https://wilton.mobilearq.com> and click Parent Registration (code on the next page is “wilton”) to become a Miller-Driscoll PTA member, pay PTA dues, make a Supporting Donation to our Annual Appeal, and view the Miller-Driscoll PTA Directory! Individual memberships will start at just $20 and includes immediate access to the online school directory! Enjoy the ability to edit your information in the online directory anytime, add email addresses and cell phone numbers to your family listing, and even download the MobileArq App on your Apple and Android devices for viewing on the go! Please contact Michelle Krupa ([michelleakrupa@gmail.com](mailto:michelleakrupa@gmail.com)) with any questions!

✚ **Lost Property at the Bus Depot**

Is your child missing a jacket, water bottle or hat? Check out the Bus Depot Lost Property Site and see if any of these items left on buses belong back in your house! http://wiltonlostproperty.blogspot.com/

**Community News**

✚ **2017 Get Smart for Wilton 5K**

Join us on Sunday, May 28th (Memorial Day Weekend!) for Wilton’s Get Smart 5K to support the Wilton Education Foundation. Start and finish at WHS track. To guarantee a t-shirt register early:

<https://register.chronotrack.com/r/28708>

✚ **Wilton High School presents The Pajama Game**

Tickets are currently on sale for Wilton High School’s spring musical, The Pajama Game. Touted as “dynamic, joyous, and refreshing with an original theme reinforced by a sense of tradition”, this is a show for all ages…conceived in the fifties but still relevant today. Performances are in the Clune Auditorium May 18, 19, and 20. Contact the [**link**](https://tickets.vendini.com/ticket-software.html?t=tix&e=9a4b642ecdcf45672ffb5a84e467c595&vqitq=0e7b78a4-e517-48b7-a801-85982bdc0d43&vqitp=2a59d4a9-929a-454c-8985-8b933692ae75&vqitts=1493058055&vqitc=vendini&vqite=itl&vqitrt=Safetynet&vqith=7b7319e07c13edf489618a864624dfb3) or wiltonhighschool.org for more information and tickets.

✚ **Wilton Youth Council (WYC) – wiltonyouth.org**

**Parent Presentation: You Don’t Know Me Until You Know Me: A One-Man Performance by Michael Fowlin, PhD. ~Monday, May 8, 2017, 10:00-11:00am Wilton High School’s Little Theater~**

Dr. Michael Fowlin presented his one-man performance, “You Don’t Know Me Until You Know Me,” to the entire Wilton High School student body as part of the December activity period. He uses many of his gifts – humor, performance art, poetry, storytelling, psychology, theatrical monologues, and his personal journey – to create an atmosphere of worldwide inclusion, not just tolerance, towards all people. He was so well received by students that we are bringing him back for a parent presentation. Many students expressed interest in having their parents hear his message. Open to all parents.

Please contact Kim Zemo at [zemok@wiltonps.org](mailto:zemok@wiltonps.org) with questions. Program begins promptly at 10:00am. Please allow extra time for parking and security. Sponsored by Wilton Public Schools, Wilton Schools PTAs/PTSA, Wilton Youth Council, Wilton Youth Services.

We are very pleased to announce that we have launched our **new** and **improved** **Wilton Youth Council website**! We hope you will find it to be helpful in finding out more about our programs, as well as providing you with resources. Check it out at [www.wiltonyouth.org](http://www.wiltonyouth.org)!

*Community News submissions are accepted from any Wilton organization wishing to notify the Miller-Driscoll community of events or opportunities appropriate for our students and families. Submissions may be edited at the discretion of the editor and are not intended as endorsements by the Miller-Driscoll PTA.*

Important Numbers/Websites

**Office:** 203.762.8678 and 203.762.3374

**Attendance Line:** 203.761-0364 (8:00 am - 4:30 pm). During non-school hours, call the school’s office.

**Student Transportation of America (Bus) Hotline**: 203.762.8600

**NEW!!! Looking for a Special Bus Assignment for the 2016-2017 school year?** Special bus assignments will now be listed on **School Dismissal Manager**. Previous lists are no longer valid.

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**Miller-Driscoll\*:** <http://www.edline.net/pages/wiltonmd>

**Miller-Driscoll PTA:** [HERE](http://www.miller-driscollschool.org/pages/wiltonmd/Our_School/Departments/Miller-Driscoll_PTA)

**Wilton School District**: <http://www.wilton.k12.ct.us/pages/Wilton_School_District>

**PowerSchool:** <https://psapp.wilton.k12.ct.us/public/>

**MDTV** [**http://k2mdtv.blogspot.com**](http://k2mdtv.blogspot.com)(Use the MDTV link to view the morning announcement broadcast each day at 9:00am)

**MobileArq School Directory** [**https://mobilearq.com/schooldirectory**](https://mobilearq.com/schooldirectory)

**PTA Annual Appeal Letter** Click [**here**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QVAwKxLLF6pdLtIy9JPaIluIAzdGiP7IH-fxZlfc-sw/edit?usp=sharing) for Annual Letter of Appeal

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Calendars:

**Chartwells May Lunch Menu: Click** [**HERE**](http://www.wilton.k12.ct.us/files/_bZIDj_/79f75f7397ff4bd73745a49013852ec4/Miller_Driscoll_May_Menu_.pdf)

**Wilton Public Schools 2016-2017: Click** [**HERE**](http://www.wilton.k12.ct.us/files/_NKBzB_/224e6b1d52415c333745a49013852ec4/2016-17_revised_December_2015.pdf)

**Wilton Public Schools 2017-2018: Click** [**HERE**](http://www.wilton.k12.ct.us/files/_WWB2r_/3718c8d69b1c7daa3745a49013852ec4/2017-18_Approved.pdf)

**Wilton School District Calendar (Monthly view): Click** [**HERE**](http://www.wilton.k12.ct.us/pages/Wilton_School_District/Calendar)

**Miller-Driscoll School Calendar (Monthly view): Click** [**HERE**](http://www.miller-driscollschool.org/pages/wiltonmd/Calendar)

Schoolhouse Scoop: Deadlines, Policies + Procedures

To submit **School News**, email [kerryoray@charter.net](mailto:kerryoray@charter.net). Please put “Schoolhouse Scoop submission” in your subject box.

The next Schoolhouse Scoop newsletter is scheduled for Sunday, May 21st. The deadline for submissions is Wednesday, May 10th.

For deadline and publication dates, click [here](http://www.miller-driscollschool.org/pages/wiltonmd/Our_School/Departments/Miller-Driscoll_PTA/Schoolhouse_Scoop_Newsletter/Schoolhouse_Scoop_Publication_). For previous issues, click [here](http://www.miller-driscollschool.org/pages/wiltonmd/Our_School/Departments/Miller-Driscoll_PTA/Schoolhouse_Scoop_Newsletter/Schoolhouse_Scoop)