

**MILTON**



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COMMUNITY

# WEST 4K-3 FAMILY CONNECTION

## April Events

April 8- Solar Eclipse Day

April 9- Scope Night,  
Milton Ave Culver's 4-8

April 10 -PAWS Meeting  
(Parent Group) 6:00pm in  
LMC

April 19- Family Fun  
Night on the playground  
6-7pm

April 22- Earth Day

April 26- NO SCHOOL

April 29- No School-  
Professional  
Development &  
Virtual/Asynchronous  
Learning Day

## Spring has Sprung!

We hope all of our students and families had an enjoyable spring break. Whether you stayed home or traveled, we know that the break for students is a good way to rest and recharge for the last couple of months of school. We know that time always flies by between spring break and the end of the year! There are many factors that contribute to this. First, we are very busy working to ensure students make academic and social/emotional growth toward our grade level standards before the end of the year. There are many learning opportunities and assessments planned to support student growth to finish the year strong, and to help students prepare for transitioning to the next grade, especially for our third graders. Second, because we know how important it is to have some balance and to incorporate variety of learning opportunities for our young Red Hawks, we also have many fun things planned such as school and parent group events, field trips, guest speakers, and spirit days. Finally, with spring comes an increase in sunlight and opportunities for many students to get involved in community athletic or other activities, or just the desire to play outside a little longer each day. We encourage families to continue to make good attendance a priority, and to support and reinforce learning with your children at home. Having children talk about their learning at home and reading nightly are great ways to show them support for their hard work and reinforces the importance of giving their best every day.

Thanks for all you do to support your child and our schools!

Sincerely,

4K-3 Principals

## Adventure AND Art Await you at Milton Public Library!

Thank you to our district's art teachers who put together this art show, and congratulations to all elementary artists whose are is on display in the show! While visiting the Milton Art Show, be sure to check out the many things our MPL has to offer. There are board games to check out, tons of books of course, and The SPARK (a room filled with interactive activities to explore). Students' art will be on display from March 30 to April 28 throughout the library.

Photo credit: Milton Public Library



SCHOOL  
DISTRICT OF  
MILTON  
ART SHOW



April 2024

# BACKPACK NEWS KIDS

## Fun Ways to Care for Our Planet

Hey Eco Explorers! Did you know that being kind to our planet is not just a superhero job? You can be an eco-hero too! Today, we'll embark on an exciting journey to explore environmental health and discover easy, fun ways for kids to care for Mother Earth.

### Nature's Playground:

- Spend more time outdoors and connect with nature.
- Explore parks, gardens, or even your backyard to discover the wonders of the environment.

### Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Adventure:

- Turn recycling into a game! Learn about what can be recycled and have a sorting challenge at home.
- Try out the Waste-Free Lunch Challenge by using reusable food and drink containers, washable cutlery, and cloth napkins.

### Water Heroes:

- Conserve water by turning off the tap while brushing your teeth.
- Explore the magic of rainwater by collecting it in buckets for your plants.

## Earth Day-April 22 2024

Every year on April 22<sup>nd</sup> we commemorate Earth Day! It's a special time to celebrate nature, learn about animals and understand how we can all be good friends to the Earth.

## School Nurse Expertise

From Anna Rossiter, School Nurse of Marshall School District:

The environment around us has a bigger effect on your health than you might think! One way the environment impacts us is through what we put in our body.

Do you know what is in your food? Food that is very processed often has lots of toxins. You can protect your body from these toxins by eating less fast food and more whole foods including fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and baked/roasted meat.

## Tips for Parents

Ensure your child spends time outdoors in green spaces. Nature has proven benefits for children's physical and mental well-being.

Outdoor activities enhance immune function, reduce stress, and promote overall cognitive development.

## Nourishing Nature

Hello, Culinary Enthusiast Parents! Ever wondered about the behind-the-scenes magic that makes the meals for your little ones not just tasty but also nutritious? Join us on a delectable journey to discover how clean air and pollinators team up to create the flavorful feast on your family's table.

### Clean Air, Crop Champions!

Think of clean air as the unsung hero in your kitchen. It provides the perfect backdrop for crops to thrive, ensuring that the fruits and veggies your children adore are grown in an environment filled with pure goodness.

### Pollinator Party

Enter the pollinator brigade – bees, butterflies, and their buzzing buddies. These little heroes play a crucial role in pollination, making sure each plant is visited and pollen is spread. The result? The scrumptious strawberries, crisp apples, and vibrant veggies that your kids can't get enough of.

### Why It Matters for Your Table?

**Nutrient-Rich Delights:** Pollinated fruits and veggies are nutrient-packed, contributing to your children's healthy growth.


**Dietary Diversity:** Support from pollinators means a wide variety of foods, adding color and flavor to your family's meals.

**Eco-Friendly Eating:** By appreciating the role of pollinators, you contribute to a healthier ecosystem for future generations.

[FortHealthCare.com](http://FortHealthCare.com)

## Family Resources... Check These Out!

### [MindYeti Youtube playlist](#)



**Mind Yeti**

Mind Yeti  
19 videos 1,288,861 views Last updated on Mar 18,...

Play all Shuffle

Mind Yeti is a library of research-based guided mindfulness sessions that help kids and their adults calm their minds, focus their attention and connect to the world around them. Created by nonprofit Committee for Children. Visit website: <https://www.secondstep.org/covid19support>



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Presents:  
**MOTHER/SON DANCE  
2024**

May 18, 2024  
THE GATHERING  
PLACE  
6pm - 8pm

**\$50 PER COUPLE  
\$10 ADDITIONAL CHILD**

Appetizers,  
Games, Prizes  
& Fun

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**SDM Art Exhibit**  
at the Milton Public Library

**MARCH 20-APRIL 28**

Milton Public Library Hours:  
Monday-Tuesday: 10:00am-8:00pm  
Wednesday-Friday: 10:00am-6:00pm  
Saturday: 10:00am-4:00pm  
Sunday: 1:00pm-4:00pm

Check out these sites for  
free family fun...

<https://www.co.rock.wi.us/departments/public-works-parks>

<https://www.als.lib.wi.us/MP/L/#/events/>

<https://badgerconference.org/public/genie/77/school/12/>

# PAWS TRACKS

April 4, 2024



## SCOOPIE Night - Tuesday, April 9

Add Scoopie night to your weekly dinner plans for Tuesday, April 9 from 4pm - 8pm. 15% of sales will be donated to PAWS. The top 3 classes with the most students in attendance will receive a prize, so make sure you turn in your attendance slips!

We will be there selling Cow Pie Bingo Tickets from 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm as well, so you can get your tickets there!

## April PAWS Family Fun Night - Playground Fun!

Join us on the Milton West playground for an evening of fun on **Friday, April 19, 2024, from 6:00 pm until 7:00 pm.**

Concessions and Cow Pie Bingo tickets will be available for purchase.

The whole family is invited to attend this fun event



## Monthly Staff Appreciation Meal - We'd be MUFFIN without our Staff!

Please sign up [here](#) to bring a dozen muffins for our staff on Wednesday, April 10. Please plan to drop off your muffins Wednesday morning.

## Open Board Positions for 2024-2025

PAWS has two open positions for next school year and we need your nominations! Please nominate yourself or someone you think would be great on our board. We love new faces. Being on PAWS is a great way to meet other families, teachers, and to be active in your child's education outside of the classroom. Please let us know of your interest by reaching out to the Facebook post or by emailing us at [parentsatwestschool@gmail.com](mailto:parentsatwestschool@gmail.com). We meet once per month for meetings and typically have one family fun night each month on a Friday.

**Vice President** - Acts as aide to the president and performs the duties of the president in the absence or inability of that officer to serve.

**Volunteer Coordinator** - Compiles and organizes master event lists for which volunteers are needed, helps to find volunteers for events, and makes sure volunteers have background checks (done by the District).

## Get your Cow Pie Bingo Tickets NOW!

Tickets sales have started! Get your tickets today by returning the form that was sent home with your child, purchasing them after school on Fridays near the playground, or by reaching out to a PAWS member. Tickets are \$20 each and you could win up to \$3000! We accept cash, check, card, and Venmo. If paying with Venmo, please make sure you comment on the name of the student and teacher your tickets should be sent home with.



Cash, check, Venmo, and credit cards can be accepted.



PAWS 2024

# COW PIE BINGO

WHAT DOES THE COW SAY?  
*Get moo-ving and buy your tickets today!*

★18★  
MAY

Join us for a great day of family fun from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm!

 BUY YOUR TICKETS!

Tickets are \$20. 750 tickets will be sold.

★  ★  
GRAND PRIZE \$3,000!

You could shouting "Cow-a-bunga" when Emily poops on your square!

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