As we conclude with our staff appreciation week, I want to take a moment to thank our Mill Stream staff for all that they do for our students, families and one another. We have a school community unlike many others! It truly is a great place to work!

Throughout the year, please do not hesitate to contact teachers, Mrs. Lovell or myself with questions or concerns that may arise. When we work together, students will have a great year!

**Parenting Tips**

Over the next few newsletters, I will be sharing parenting tips that I found and wish I had early on when my own kiddos were small. I am hopeful you will find these to be helpful.

**Show your child how to become a responsible citizen.** Find ways to help others all year. Kids gain a sense of self-worth by volunteering in the community.

**Explain to your kids why values are important.** The simple answer: When you're kind, generous, honest, and respectful, you make the people around you feel good. More important, you feel good about yourself.

Source: www.parents.com
PTG (Parent/Teacher Group) News

Scholastic Book Fair - Buy One, Get One Free!
Monday, May 13th – Friday, May 17th with a Parent Night on Thursday, May 16th

We will be holding our Scholastic Book Fair for students and a Parent Night, as well. We are currently in need of volunteers to help with this event Monday - Friday 11:00 - 2:15 p.m. as well as Thursday evening (Parent Night) 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. This is a very popular event each year.
The children look forward to it and there will be some great shopping!

Please consider volunteering, we can't do this without your support!

Warm Weather Reminder

Now that our weather is finally getting warmer, please be aware of clothing expectations from our handbook:

Clothing deemed inappropriate includes, but is not limited to the following items:
  * Cut-off shorts
  * Shorts (must reach the end of the child’s finger tips when he/she rests their hands on their upper leg) and sandals may be worn prior to November 1st and after April vacation.
  * Open sided tank tops or open back garments
  * Tops with thin ("spaghetti") straps or tops that show the belly

Thank you so much for your attention to these guidelines. If you have questions, please feel free to reach out.

Dates to Remember . . .

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Important Information

All of our bike riders are asked to enter the school campus via the front parking lot. For safety reasons, the back entrance is to be used for buses and staff vehicles only. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

If you drop your students off in the morning, please be sure to drop off no earlier than 7:45 a.m. to ensure staff members are on duty. Thank you!

As families and community members enter our school building, it is important that they check into our office. We need to ensure student and staff safety at all times.

Please keep in mind that our teachers are working with students right up until 2:15 p.m. each day. We understand that life happens, but we would love to have our students in class as long as we are able to each day. Your help with this is greatly appreciated!