


# MARK WEST ELEMENTARY

Tiger Tales Newsletter  
October 23, 2020

## Costume Parade and Candy Give Away



TK-K	12-12:30
1-2	12:30-1pm
3-4	1-1:30pm
5-6	1:30-2pm
7-8	2-2:30pm

Mark West Elementary will parade in the front parking lot while Mark West Charter will host in the back parking lot.



## What's Ahead.....

- ◇ 10/26 Spirit Wear Sale Ends
- ◇ 10/27 TK-2 Parent Mtg w/ Principal 3:30
- ◇ 10/27 Parent Math Training 6-6:45pm
- ◇ 10/28 Materials P/U Gr 3-6, 9am-5pm
- ◇ 10/29 3-6 Parent Mtg w/ Principal 3:30
- ◇ 10/30 Halloween Parade
- ◇ 10/30 Kona Ice / 12-3pm School Parking Lot
- ◇ 10/30 All Emergency Contact info due to office
- ◇ 11/2 Walk & Roll Anywhere Week



## FROM MRS. KENDALL....

Dear Mark West Families,

The week of October 26-30 will incorporate many fun activities for children and families to participate in. These activities are of course voluntary! Our culmination will be on Friday, where your child will be able to come to school, in costume, and get a piece of candy from the teachers in the grade levels present. In order to keep everyone safe, please remember these important rules:

Everyone must wear a cloth mask which covers both nose and face- your Halloween Costume mask alone will not suffice. Students/families must stay at least six feet apart. If you are not feeling well, please stay home for the safety of all.

It is hard to believe that we are almost finished with our first trimester! Parents, you and your family supporting cast have been assisting your children in their classwork for nine weeks! Thank you so much for all of your hard work! The end of the trimester is October 30, at which time students must have all assignments in for teachers to grade. Report cards will be going home before Thanksgiving Break. If your child is behind in work, they need to meet with their teacher during teacher office hours and come up with a plan to catch up. Unlike in our Distance Learning last Spring, students will not be "held harmless" for grades. Remind your children, this is real school!

## Parent Training Resources:

Mark West staff is so thankful for all you do! We all understand how parents have been thrust into a different role, supporting their children much more directly in their education than ever before. I hope you were able to attend the parent workshops on SeeSaw and Google Classroom that were offered by the district on 10/22.

I have heard from parents that supporting their child's learning in math can be especially challenging. I'd like to recommend a series of parent classes hosted by the math department at the Sonoma County Office of Education. Classes are in grade level bands and designed both as a support for parents in math and to provide opportunities to connect with other parents. The first session, for parents of K-1 students will be Tuesdays, October 27 and December 1, 2020

6:00pm - 6:45pm. Classes are free! Check here for the link: [Supporting Student Math Learning at Home; K-1](#)

This link will also give you information about the 2-5 (11/2, 12/3), 6-12 (11/5,

**PICTURE MAKE-DAY...** Again, we apologize for the last minute change in Photo Day but we will have a Make-Up Picture Day and shall announce it as soon as the date is set next week. Stay tuned!

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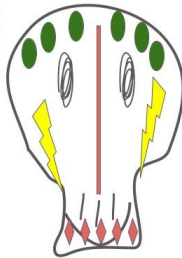
SPOOKY SPIRIT WEEK ~ OCT. 26-OCT. 30

Monday

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS, OCTOBER 26



Dia de los Muertos is when you can face paint your face to look like a sugar skull. It can have flowers and other designs! But no gory stuff. You can also draw a picture! Once you do this, you can send a picture to Ms. Franci. Her email is [mfranci@mwusd.org](mailto:mfranci@mwusd.org). Have fun!



## PUMPKIN CARVING/DECORATING

DECORATE OR CARVE YOUR FAVORITE PUMPKIN FACE AND THEN SEND A PICTURE TO [MFRANCI@MWUSD.ORG](mailto:MFRANCI@MWUSD.ORG)

THURSDAY  
OCT 29



## TUESDAY OCT. 27, SPOOKY STORY READING

All students can choose to write a spooky story of their own for a spooky story reading on Tuesday, October 27th from 2:30 to 3:00. If your story is chosen you have the choice to read it at the zoom or have someone else read it. The deadline for everyone's spooky stories is October 20th. Please see the guidelines at the link below. Have Fun! But Beware!!!

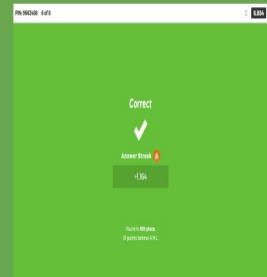
GUIDELINES TO  
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Wednesday, October 28th

On this spooky day, at 2:30-3:00 there will be a district wide zoom meeting for a Halloween dance party with games such as: kahoot, bingo, pictionary, charades, and name that song! Before this event you must email Mrs. Franci at [mfranci@mwusd.org](mailto:mfranci@mwusd.org) what game you want to do, or if you want to do the dance party. If you wish to play bingo, you will have to print out a sheet yourself. Here is a link to some printable sheets for bingo.

#1 Free Bingo  
Card Generator -  
Play Online or  
Print Cards  
[bingobowen.com](http://bingobowen.com)



# SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

## It's Not Too Late!

Hey kids! It's not too late to complete your October Bingo Challenge for Walking and Rolling! Download your Bingo Card here if you haven't already, and complete the activities by November 6th. Complete and submit our October BINGO &/or Safety Poster Challenge Activity for a Chance to Win an Ice Cream Gift card. October Challenge: <https://sonomasaferoutes.org/>

Note: If you have questions regarding how to submit, contact [saferoutes@bikesonoma.org](mailto:saferoutes@bikesonoma.org)

Look for next month's challenge:

November: Walk and Roll Gratitude Month

<https://sonomasaferoutes.org/content/walk-and-roll-gratitude-month-november>

We will use the entire first week of November, 11/2-11/6 as Walk and Roll Anywhere week. On ANY ONE DAY during the FIRST WEEK OF NOVEMBER, choose a destination to walk, bike, scooter or skateboard to. It can be ANY destination, whether it is to your school campus, a local park, a store, a friend's house, or just a walk around the neighborhood and back to your home! All students who participate will receive a prize from Ms. Kendall. You will also be eligible for prizes through Safe Routes to School. Keep your spirits up, think about things you are grateful for, and walk or roll!

### Attendance

**Question:** Do I still need to let the office know if my child is sick or we are going to be out of town?

**Answer:** Yes, if your child is sick, please call the office or email [kstryker@mwusd.org](mailto:kstryker@mwusd.org) to let us know. Also email your teacher!

## It's More Than A Meal!

Please be sure to take the time to read the attached flyer and find out why it is so important to complete the application for Free & Reduced Lunches, even if you think your child will never, ever, ever eat a school lunch! So much of our school funding depends on these applications...especially this year, with anticipated decreases in revenue.

## Please.....

\*If you have not already done so, please complete the Data Confirmation on the District website, [www.mwusd.org](http://www.mwusd.org). This information is required by the District. Thank you!

**JOIN PTA** by going to <https://jointotem.com/ca/santa-rosa/mark-west-site-pta> and signing up. You can sign up yourself, your spouse, your kids, the grandparents... whoever! While we appreciate your volunteering and active membership, please keep in mind that you don't *have to attend meetings or do anything else by becoming a member and your membership + donation helps the school.*



# Simple Ways You Can Help Support Our School!



1. **FLYER SCHOOL APP:** Go into your App Store and download the Flyer School App. Click the +Add button and type in Mark West Community. Now you have access to all the information and resources the PTA has about things happening at the school along with valuable parent resources RIGHT AT YOUR FINGERTIPS! For the latest up to date notifications, don't forget to send an email that includes your email and mobile phone number to [Kennethdearmore@yahoo.com](mailto:Kennethdearmore@yahoo.com)
2. **AMAZON SMILE:** go to [Smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and search for Mark West Tigers PTA. Bookmark this and start shopping :-)
3. **BOXTOPS:** Download the Boxtops App, Select Mark West Elementary or Charter School, and begin scanning all your grocery and costco receipts. You may also clip your physical boxtops, bag them and return with your child's school folder on pick up day.
4. **SPIRIT STORE:** Check out our Spirit Store online:  
 Tigers: <https://http-frederickengraving-printavo-com-invoice.printavo.com/merch/mark-west>  
 Dolphins: <https://http-frederickengraving-printavo-com-invoice.printavo.com/merch/mark-west-charter-school>
5. **DINE AND DONATE** at CHIPOTLE in Coddington. Mark October 21st on your calendar and let them know you are with Mark West Elementary or Charter. 30% of all orders go to our school that day! Keep an ear out for more of these opportunities.
6. **KONA ICE:** Visit Kona Ice at the school between 12-3pm on Friday October 30th after trick or treating with your teachers! A portion of this also goes back to support our school :

## Don't Forget To Review These Attachments!

Mark West Spirit Store....*Show you school spirit with these great t-shirts, hats and even a Tiger logo mask!* [MARKWEST.HALLSAPPAREL.COM](http://MARKWEST.HALLSAPPAREL.COM)

⇒ Friendship Circle....*Find out about a new program beginning in November!*

⇒ More Than A Meal Information....*Why are we asking all families to fill out lunch applications? Read this informative flyer that will answer your questions.*

*" Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is progress, working together is success. "*

Henry Ford

