

MARK WEST ELEMENTARY

Tiger Tales Newsletter
March 12, 2021

What's Ahead.....

- ♦ 3/13 NBay Science Discover Day Virtual Event
- ♦ MW Spirit Week!
- ♦ 3/17 PTA WAT 1st Pledge Collection Day
- ♦ 3/17 Material P/U Gr TK-2
- ♦ 3/17 1st PTA Walk-a-Thon Pledge Dropoff
- ♦ 3/17 Meal Distribution; MPR 11-2pm Pick Up
- ♦ 3/22-26 Spring Break **No School!!!**
- ♦ 3/29 Return to School-Hybrid Model-Check mwusd.org for details
- ♦ 3/29 Report Cards to Cohort A
- ♦ 3/31 Meal Distribution; MPR 11-2pm Pick Up
- ♦ 4/1 Back to School Cohort B
- ♦ 4/1 Report Cards to Cohort B
- ♦ 4/2 Non-Instructional Day-No School
- ♦ 4/5 Non-Instructional Day-No School
- ♦ 4/7 Meal Distribution MPR 11-2pm
- ♦ 4/7 Virtual Assembly-World of Bots
- ♦ 4/17 PTA Virtual Walk-a-Thon

"The cure for boredom is curiosity. There is no cure for curiosity" – Dorothy Parker

Dear Mark West Families,

Monday will be our last Return to Recess! TK and Kinder parents, you did such a wonderful job dropping the kids off and staying in the car! This will be the same process we use for the drop off and pick up when we return to in person learning in a hybrid model.

Return to Hybrid! Those words fill me with excitement! I can't wait to see kids in the classroom and hear kids on the playground! To make this work safely, we need to work together. Please post your Daily Covid Checklist on the refrigerator, and check the questions before coming to school! I am including a "bulleted list" of important reminders elsewhere in the Newsletter

In Partnership,

Tracy Lavin-Kendall



We are back and we are ready to go!

Transitional Kinder: Monday, March 29th

All Kinder through 6th Grades by Cohort Groups:

Cohort A: Monday, March 29th

Cohort B: Thursday, April 1st

Please check District website for your child's Cohort Group

Spring Break March 22-25
April 2 & 5-No School

IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR HYBRID

- Complete the Daily Covid-19 Risk Factor Checklist- Daily!
- Please Do Not Drop Your Student Off Before 8:00! There is no Supervision
- It is imperative that your child be picked up after school on time! Again, there is no afterschool supervision
- Follow Scheduled Drop Off and Pick Up Times and Locations
- Please Wait in The Car Until Your Child's Temperature has Been Taken
- Everyone Must Wear A Mask While on Campus- No Gaitors, Valved Masks, or Bandanas
- Keep a Phone Handy in case we need to contact you
- Make Sure Your Contact Information is Up to Date
- Please provide your child with a water container for the day. While we do have water stations to refill water bottles, drinking fountains cannot be used.

Open Enrollment



The District Where You Want To Be!

Mark West District is still accepting student registration for the 2021-2022 school year! Be sure to share this information with neighbors and friends!

Travel Advisory During Covid:

On January 6, 2021, the California Department of Public Health ("CDPH") issued an updated travel advisory recommending the following restrictions for those who engaged in non-essential travel, defined as travel that is considered tourism or recreational in nature:

"Except in connection with essential travel, Californians should avoid non-essential travel to any part of California more than 120 miles from one's place of residence, or to other states or countries." It goes on to say that if people stay in California, while travel over 120 miles is discouraged, they are not required to self-quarantine."

"Quarantine Post-Travel: All persons arriving in or returning to California from other states or countries, should self-quarantine for 10 days [ii] after arrival, except as necessary to meet urgent critical healthcare staffing needs or to otherwise engage in emergency response. Additionally, this recommendation does not apply to individuals who routinely cross state or country borders for essential travel [iii]."

If you have questions, email me at: tkendall@mwusd.org

Safe Routes to School



March and Roll for Miles Challenge activity:

Walk, bike, scoot or skate on as many days as you are able to during the month of March, and enter your mileage to/from your chosen destination for each day.

[March For Miles Challenge Activity- English](#)

A Few Reminders...

Don't Forget To Order Your Yearbook Now!

Order online:

<https://markwestes.picaboo.com/> or by cash or check in the office.

Soft Cover: \$18.00 Hard Cover: \$25.00



LAST CALL

It is absolutely vital that the School District has updated and current information for all students so that families may be contacted accordingly in case of emergencies. If you have not already done so, please complete the Data Confirmation process by March 31st.

Data Confirmation Link for parents is -

<https://markwestusd.asp.aeries.net/student/loginparent.aspx>

*We
Need
Your
Help!*

We need photos for the yearbook! Please send any photos you have of your child participating in Distance Learning, Zoom classes, outdoor school activities. Upload directly to:

<https://markwestes.picaboo.com/> or deliver to the school office on a flash drive.

March Lunch Service

Please note that Lunch Service will continue next Wednesday, March 17th, 11am-2pm at the MW MPR.

THERE WILL BE NO LUNCH DISTRIBUTION DURING SPRING BREAK!

For more information, check the District website at mwusd.org and navigate to Parent Resources / School Lunch Program, Resources & Monthly Lunch Menu.



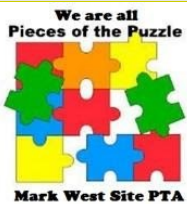
MARK WEST EDUCATION FOUNDATION
for the Arts

Help keep music in our schools! The board positions for president and treasurer still need

to be filled for the Mark West Education Foundation to continue. Please contact the Foundation at mwef@mwusd.org if you are interested or have any questions.

As the district prepares to switch to a hybrid learning model, music instruction at all grade levels will continue to be provided solely through distance learning through the end of this school year, due to safety protocols and scheduling.

Students who will be on campus for hybrid learning in a few weeks can keep an eye (and ear!) out for Mrs. Kaufman who will be visiting the campuses on occasion during recess to play some live music! Song requests welcome!



April 17th Is PTA VIRTUAL Walk-a-Thon!! This is the biggest and best fundraiser of the year! Please remember to return the signed yellow participation waiver for your child. 100% of donations (all tax deductible!) go directly to Mark West students....your kids; our kids! Direct supporters to our online fundraising site: <https://app.99pledges.com/fund/walkingtog> March 17th is the first pledge collection day. Students earn prizes with each pledge. Support PTA!

Spirit Week!

Disney Day Monday, March 15th

On this day you can wear anything that is related to Disney. It may be as little as a keychain or it might be a Disney dress. You can wear all this stuff to your zoom. Send a picture to your principal!



Tuesday, March 16th Tie Dye Day

On Tuesday March 16, come to your zoom wearing your tie dye tees, socks, and maybe even shoes! Have fun with it! If you do decide to participate please be sure to send a picture to your principal for the chance to be in the yearbook!



Wednesday, March 17th St. Patrick's Day

Today is St. Patrick's Day themed. You can dress in festive colors, write a limerick, build a leprechaun trap, and/or dress like a leprechaun. If you build a leprechaun trap or write a limerick, make sure to send in a picture to your principal.



THURSDAY, MARCH 18: DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVORITE CHARACTER FROM A MOVIE, GAME, BOOK, ETC!

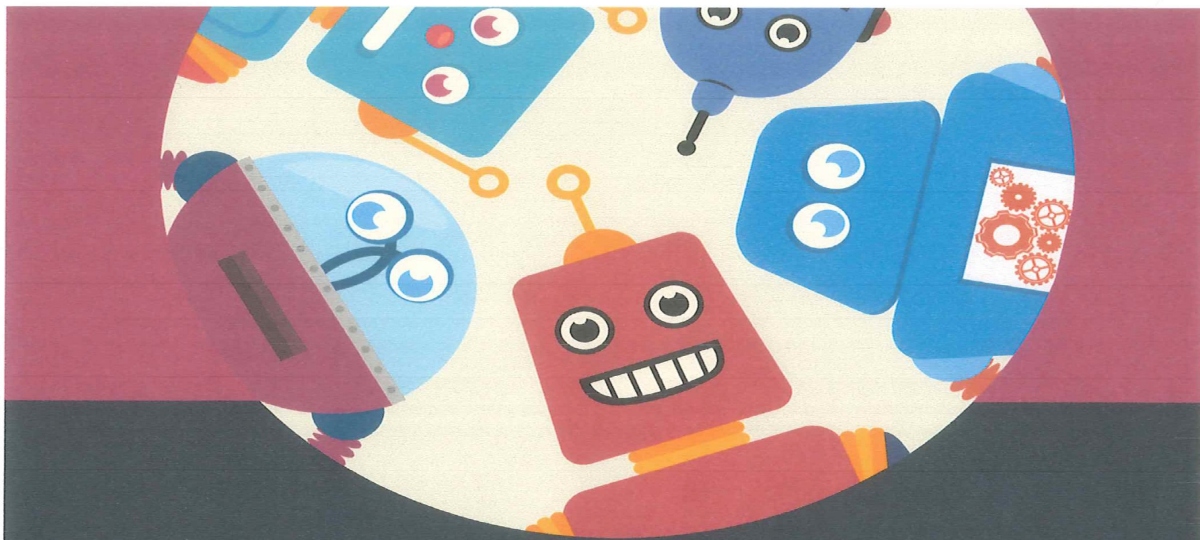
YOU CAN DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVORITE CHARACTER FROM A VIDEO GAME, MOVIE, BOOK, ETC! JUST TWO RULES THOUGH, NO GORE AND SCHOOL APPROPRIATE! YOU CAN GO WILD BY DRESSING UP SO GOOD, YOU LOOK LIKE THE REAL THING! OR YOU COULD GO SIMPLE, JUST A T-SHIRT OF YOUR FAVORITE CHARACTER OR A LITTLE HAIRDO. BE CREATIVE! DON'T FORGET TO SEND YOUR PRINCIPAL A PHOTO!



Friday, March 19th - Pajama Day

Dress up in your favorite pj's and get to class! Make sure you're comfortable. Send a pic to your principal to have a chance to make it into the yearbook!





District Wide Virtual Assembly

BOT! THE SECRET WORLD OF ROBOTS

April 7th, 2021

9:00 am - TK-2nd Grade Students

10:00 am - 3rd -6th Grade Students

We encourage siblings to watch together!

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87384100942?pwd=c2pmOTE1cHBFdmNveGRUYkdIU1U1QT09>

Meeting ID: 873 8410 0942

Password: PBL



Be to confirm your child's cohort placement by checking the listing on the Mark West District website....www.mwusd.org Hover and click on Mark West School, then click on golden yellow box for class lists. You will need your child's student ID number.

Cohort A students attend class every Monday and Tuesday then will Zoom Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Cohort B students will attend class every Thursday and Friday and will Zoom Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.