

# MARK WEST ELEMENTARY

## Tiger Tales Newsletter

April 16, 2021

### What's Ahead.....

- ♦ 4/17 Walking Together from Wherever!
- ♦ 4/17 PTA Auction Ends 7pm
- ♦ 4/19 Return to 5 Days-Gr TK-Rm 14
- ♦ 4/21 Return to 5 Days-Gr K-3
- ♦ 4/21 Lunch Program 11:30-2:30pm MPR
- ♦ 4/22 Return to 5 Days-Gr 4-6
- ♦ 4/28 Lunch Program 11:30-2:30pm MPR
- ♦ Dine & Donate-Mary's Pizza Shack; Windsor
- ♦ 4/30 Yearbook Orders Due
- ♦ 5/5 Lunch Program 11:30-2:30pm MPR
- ♦ 5/7 Return Music Instruments
- ♦ 5/12 Lunch Program 11:30-2:30pm MPR
- ♦ 5/19 Lunch Program 11:30-2:30pm MPR
- ♦ 5/25 No School-Labor Day
- ♦ 5/26 Lunch Program 11:30-2:30pm MPR
- ♦ 6/4 Last Day of School

"Learning never exhausts the mind." ~  
Leonardo da Vinci

Dear Mark West Families,

We are coming back 5 days a week! I never gave up hope that we would be able to get to this point, and here we are! Our class lists have been finalized and students who will transition to a new teacher will hear from their new teacher on Monday, April 19.

A huge thank you to all who have worked so hard these last few weeks to help us prepare! As we move forward in our progress towards normalcy, I want to acknowledge the flexibility of the parents, students, and staff. We have students in distance learning who are moving to a new DL teacher, Hybrid students moving to distance learning, home school students moving to 5 days a week, and distance learning students moving to 5 days a week. The next time you see Mrs. Kathy Stryker or Michael Smith, our Technology Department Director, give them an "air high five" as they have had to drop and re enroll students into new classes in record time!

Also, please welcome Kathie Miller and Mark Angell, two of our retired teachers who have come back to help make this possible! They are taking a second grade class and a third grade class. We couldn't have done it without them.

In Partnership,

Tracy Lavin-Kendall



**WALK A THON**

**April 17th:** Walking Together from Wherever is happening TODAY. Log your miles/laps & Scavenger hunt here:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc-YEn9jZE-L4oJELhJtJ8ec9zN6LT-LCXqUeEA66eayqhRAPw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc-YEn9jZE-L4oJELhJtJ8ec9zN6LT-LCXqUeEA66eayqhRAPw/viewform?usp=sf_link) Hint: Print this **Scavenger**

**Hunt** paper (see attachment) to take along on your walk. Then add the items to your Virtual Lap Card later

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/14xHdy77EBCAzAg5ODt8l6TOiajCfeUXf/view?usp=sharing>

**April 17th: Silent Auction Ends at 7pm** - Get your final bids in [www.auctria.com/auction/MWWAT2021](http://www.auctria.com/auction/MWWAT2021)

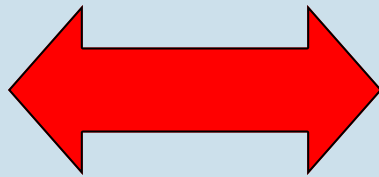
# PLEASE WEAR A MASK



**Encourage Handwashing!**



Don't forget to provide a water bottle and healthy snacks for you child daily.



This is a great idea! Place a placard on the dash of your car with child's name to ease with pick up identification.



The School Calendar for the 2021-2022 School Year is attached. Start planning now!

## Yummy Kona Ice!



**Kona Ice Was A Success!**



# There is still time...

**There is still time** to order your yearbook!  
Order online:

<https://store.shopyearbook.com/markwestes>

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

**ON SALE  
NOW!**

**Orders close  
April 30 for  
school delivery**

**There is still time** to send in pictures of your children to be included in the yearbook! In fact, we want them! Just upload photos of your children; studying, playing or participating in an event, to be included in the yearbook. Follow the guide on the upper right ( [Share photos](#) with this yearbook ) Pica-boo Yearbook website. Memories that will last a lifetime!



**IMPORTANT  
READ ME...**

**There is still time** to inform the office if you are planning to move over the summer, or are enrolling your student in another school, This helps up prepare and forward your child's record and enable for a smooth transition. Your help is appreciated!

**There is still time** to update you address or contact information with the office if you have moved or changed providers.

The only way we can get call families for an emergency is if we have the correct information!



**online  
Registration**

**There is still time to ENROLL NOW FOR 2021-2022!** Mark West School

continues to accept **online** applications for all grades for the upcoming school year. Share with your friends! Please visit the district website to start the process. Use this link on your toolbar to begin. <https://markwestusd.asp.aeries.net/air/>

## Safe Routes to School



**There is still time** to accept

the April challenge to walk, bike, scoot or skate to ANYWHERE, and then continue to enjoy the great outdoors by going on one or more of our **Earth Month Nature Walks!** Submit "proof" of one or more of your Nature Walks for a chance to win a \$50.00 gift card to a local restaurant of your choice! Find out more here : <https://sonomasaferoutes.org/> Good luck!

**MARY'S**  
pizza shack est1959

Join us Wednesday, April 28, at Mary's Pizza Shack in Windsor for a Dine and Donate to benefit the Mark West PTA, which only benefits your child! Choose from a delightful menu of homemade pizza, pasta, salads and soups—perfect for the whole family! Mary's will generously donate 20% of Take-Out & Delivery orders, all day in addition to 20% of gift card purchase on the event date. To order online, select 'Dine & Donate' on the EXTRAS menu at [MarysPizzaShack.com](http://MarysPizzaShack.com)

## End-of-Year Info for Music Program

Music classes will continue until the end of April. Final Zoom meetings will occur the week of April 26-30. After April 30, Mrs. Kaufman will begin to collect borrowed instruments and books at each school site. If you have borrowed a school instrument or book, please note the following return dates for each school for students attending school in person.

### Return Instruments and Books:

**Riebli:** Monday, May 3 before school in room 17 (music room)

**San Miguel:** Tuesday, May 4 before school in room 40 (music room)

**Mark West:** Friday, May 7 before school in the music room

If a student is in distance learning or homeschooling or if the student is absent on their return date, please return the instrument/book to your school's office at your earliest convenience in May. Please send Mrs. Kaufman an email to let her know when you've returned it. All violin, viola, trumpet, and clarinet students were issued a book that needs to be returned as well. If the book has been lost, it is \$10 to replace for violin/viola and \$8 for clarinet/trumpet.

A huge thank you to all the brave students who sent in videos for our virtual concert! And thank you all for your patience! Our virtual concert will be released the first week of May. Also, to celebrate after a most unusual and challenging year, Mrs. Kaufman has planned a special virtual field trip for all 4-8th grade music students to see the hip-hop duo Black Violin on Tuesday, May 11th at 2:30 p.m. Save the date and stay tuned for more details!

Thank you!

Mrs. Kaufman



## Lunch Service Schedule Changes

- Distribution will be every Wednesday, **11:30 – 2:30 (NEW TIME)** from the back parking lot / Multipurpose Room.
- All children 18 and under are eligible to receive free lunch this year under the National School Lunch Program.
- Each child receives bags of five entrees and five pieces of fruit.



**LET'S DO**  


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**LUNCH**

### **\*\* IMPORTANT TRAFFIC**

### **AND SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS \*\***

***Please note:*** The parking lot next to the Multipurpose Room will be impacted by traffic from 12:15-1:00. If you wish to pick up lunches during this time, we recommend you park across the street at Maddux Park and walk across to the Multipurpose Room.

# Schedule for Return to School

Monday, 4/19:

- TK and SDC students return to school. This begins their 5 days a week return.
- K-6 graders will be at home, learning for this day. Teachers will host a morning zoom and provide work for students to complete.

Tuesday, 4/20: • TK and SDC on Campus.

- K-6 graders will be at home, learning for this day. Teachers will host a morning zoom and provide work for students to complete.

Wednesday, 4/21: • TK and SDC on Campus

- K-3 return to Campus. Students need to bring 2 snacks for the day.
- 4-6 graders will be at home, learning for this day. Teachers will host a morning zoom and provide work for students to complete.

Thursday, 4/22: • TK and SDC on Campus •

- K-3 on Campus. Students need to bring 2 snacks for the day.
- Grades 4-6 return to campus. Students need to bring 2 snacks for the day.

Friday, 4/21: • Everyone is back!!!! 5 days a week!!!

- If you are returning from distance learning to the 5 day a week model, you will be contacted by Friday, 4/16 with your teacher's name and contact information. Bell schedule for 5 day a week return:
- To promote social distancing, we are staggering Drop off and pick up time. Please refer to the chart attached to the newsletter. Students still need to remain in the car for temperature checks when arriving.

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR RETURN TO 5 DAYS A WEEK

- Complete the Daily Covid-19 Risk Factor Checklist- Daily!
- Please Wait in The Car Until Your Child's Temperature has Been Taken
- 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! Keep a Phone Handy in case we need to contact you
- Kinder & TK: Please park in the parking lot if you need to buckle or unbuckle your child in a car seat. Let's keep the auto line moving!
- 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.
- **PLEASE READ ATTACHMENTS FOR IMPORTANT SCHEDULES!!**





Garden Days are the Best!  
Mrs. Rue's Room 19 at the Garden

