



# Tiger Tales

Mark West Elementary April 1, 2022

## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Mark West Families,

As you all know, I will be retiring at the end of this school year. It gives me great pleasure to share that during the month of April and May, I will be working closely with Ms. Kelli Osorio, our new Mark West Principal, to introduce her to staff, students, and parents and ensure a smooth transition for the upcoming school year. I know you will all give her a warm welcome! If you attend our PTA meeting on April 11, you will have the chance to "meet" (over zoom) Kelli and hear a little of her background.

Much of this newsletter is dedicated to our wonderful PTA and all that they are accomplishing. The campus beautification, including murals and a decorative fence sign are sponsored by PTA. Field trips, assemblies, and classroom art are supported through PTA. Ice Cream socials, hot chocolate treats, and much more, also supported by PTA. You are all part of this wonderful organization, and the students and staff thank you! Now, with our Walk-A-Thon, we can work towards continuing this fabulous level of support! Please check the dates and read the information attached to the newsletter!

Yours in Partnership,  
Tracy Lavin-Kendall

## Yearbook

Hi Mark West Families!

The Yearbook link to order is finally up and working! If you have any questions please email me at [ssupinger@mwusd.org](mailto:ssupinger@mwusd.org).

Thanks,  
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Yearbook Store  
<https://store.shopyearbook.com/markwestes>

## From the Lunchroom

Lunch Menu Available Online

To find the school lunch menu, go to the Mark West website Homepage: <https://mwtigers.org/> and scroll down to the bottom. The menu can be found under Nutritional Services. School lunches are free to all students – no need to sign up! Students order lunch with their teacher in the morning and come pick up a lunch from the cafeteria at lunchtime.

**\*\*Please remember to send your student to school with a snack.\*\***



Encourage music students to practice every day! It's the frequency of practice that really helps musicians improve. To help with



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encouragement, students will receive a practice log for the month of April. If a student practices for 7 days (preferably in a row), they will be entered to win a gift certificate for a free ice cream at Cold Stone Creamery in Santa Rosa! It's win-win!

More music performances are coming! 4th-6th grade music classes will continue until early May when all music students will perform at an assembly during the day at their own school site - date and time TBD. For students in continuing violin, continuing guitar, clarinet, trumpet, and chorus, there will also be an outdoor performance at the farmer's market at the LBC on Saturday, April 30th at 10:30 a.m.! Save the date!

## **Positions Open and Substitutes Needed**

Come help out at school and get paid to do it!

We have substitute positions available in the classroom, on the yard, in the library, the cafeteria, and the office. The schedule is flexible – work as little or as much as you like. Stop by the school office to pick up an application or by the District Office (305 Mark West Springs Road) to talk to Marcia Noxon about signing up today!

## **Lost and Found**

Student Council will be putting out lost and found items next week. Please check for any missing jackets, sweaters, etc. Any items left will be donated.

## **Safe Routes To School**



Congratulations to our very own second grade student, Olivia Silvas, in Mrs. Granados' class! She was one of 15 students whose artwork was selected to be in the "I Heart Walk & Roll 2022-23 wall calendar. Her entry was one of over 200 pieces of art submitted! Judges loved Olivia's creative use of the words "Walk & Roll" with the rainbow, roller skates, bike wheel, and skateboard! Her artwork will be featured in the month of October 2022 (International Walk & Roll Month!) on the calendar.

**Next Walking school Bus is May 4th** Walking School buses will leave from Sam's Market at 7:50. **I apologize for missing our Walking School Bus on Wed., 4/6! I will schedule a makeup!**

Walk and Roll Wednesdays and Walking School Bus Dates:

**May. 4**

## **Sports**

Our Girls' Basketball season began with a win on March 31! Mark West pulled off a one point win over the Riebli Panthers after being down by 12 at one point! The next game will be on April 5 at San Miguel.

## **Help Needed!**

We need a volunteer/s who know something about laying bricks to help us install sponsorship



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bricks on a concrete walkway! Please contact Ms. Kendall if you are interested!

## Important Dates

4/4 MWEF Meeting  
4/5 3:45 Basketball at San Miguel  
4/6 DELAC  
4/7 SSC 3:30 via Zoom  
4/11 PTA General Meeting and Elections  
5:30 via Zoom- Meet next years' principal, Ms. Kelli Osorio!  
4/12 Basketball @ Riebli  
4/14 Basketball Home game vs San Miguel  
4/14 Kinder Egg Hunt  
4/15 No School  
4/18 No School  
4/22 **Walkathon**  
4/29 3<sup>rd</sup> grade field trip to Fairfield Osborne Preserve

## IMPORTANT WALKATHON DATES

4/4-4/8 Kids, Collect those Pledges!  
<https://app.99pledges.com/fund/markwestpta2022>  
4/8 First Pledge Collection/Prize Distribution  
4/8 Silent Auction Donations Due:  
[Silent Auction Donation Form](#)  
4/14 Pledge Collection, Prize Distribution  
4/18 Silent Auction Live Now!  
<https://auctria.events/MWWAT2022>  
4/20 Walk-A-Thon Participation Form due:  
[Walk-A-Thon Participation Form](#)  
4/22 **Walk-A-Thon!**  
**Last day to turn in Pledges!**  
4/23 Silent Auction Closes 8:00pm



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## WALK-A-THON 2022 Reminders!

### WEEK OF 4/4

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- Want to easily find all things "Walk-A-Thon" in one place? Download the **Flyer School App** and **+Add Mark West School Community**.
- Don't forget to share your child's 99pledges link with friends, colleagues and family  
<https://app.99pledges.com/fund/markwestpta2022>.

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- Parents, we are still looking for Silent Auction Items! Things we need are:
  - Wine, Beer & Spirits, Crafts, Toys, Restaurant Gift Certificates, Beauty & other Gift Certificates... ANYTHING!
    - \*Link to Silent Auction Items (due Apr. 8)  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FIGF5FPqBEJFlaMc-TAw-N-Khnh6lHAf6vG6QzfnhrY/edit?usp=sharing>

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- Parents, we are looking for VOLUNTEERS for the Walk-A-Thon. At this time, proof of Covid vaccination, a negative PCR test within 3 days or a negative antigen (over the counter test) within 24 hours will need to be sent to the office managers to keep on file.
  - SIGN UP HERE: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4CAEA628A3F85-2022>
  - Email a Picture of your vaccination card here: Elementary: [aandreis@mwusd.org](mailto:aandreis@mwusd.org), Charter: [Ndale@mwusd.org](mailto:Ndale@mwusd.org)
- Also, Does anyone have a Bubble Machine? Email [emavila1987@gmail.com](mailto:emavila1987@gmail.com)
- Don't forget to share your child's 99pledges link with friends, colleagues and family  
<https://app.99pledges.com/fund/markwestpta2022>.
  - Reminder that the first **Pledge Collection dates is this Fri. April 8** \*Please try to send money only on collection dates
    - On Drop off dates there will be a **PTA member out front (Charter 7:30-7:50, Elementary 8-8:30)** to collect pledges and hand out the weekly prize. Please try to send money only on collection dates
    - **WEEKLY PRIZES FOR PLEDGE COLLECTION.** Each week they will receive the weekly prize for turning in their pledges. For those that only have ONLINE pledges, a list will be with the PTA members in front of the school so those students can collect their prize and be checked off the list.



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- TOMORROW is the 1st **Pledge Collection (Fri. April 8)** \*Please try to send money only on collection dates
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- Remember to Return Walk-A-Thon Participation Forms tomorrow & no later than Thursday Apr. 14th - Students can do this at the pledge drop off that morning (Charter 7:30-7:50, Elementary 8-8:30)  
[https://drive.google.com/drive/u/2/folders/1TAAWcg0sSelthFqS\\_gu-r4Yz1Y7lThjS](https://drive.google.com/drive/u/2/folders/1TAAWcg0sSelthFqS_gu-r4Yz1Y7lThjS)
- Last Chance for Silent Auction Items- Due TOMORROW 4/8:  
\*Link to Silent Auction Form  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FIGF5FPqBEJFlaMc-TAw-N-Khnh6lHAf6vG6QzfhrY/edit?usp=sharing>

## WEEK OF 4/11

4/11

- REMINDER: Pledge Drop off Day is THURSDAY the 14th this week along with your Walk-A-Thon Participation Form  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xwetfLOGnJlokFnx8LYi94QFFZ3zRvBB/view>
- **It's time to start registering on auctria for our Silent Auction!**  
<https://auctria.events/MWWAT2022>
- Don't forget to share your child's 99pledges link with friends, colleagues, neighbors and Family over the weekend <https://app.99pledges.com/fund/markwestpta2022>
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- Need Ideas for "Stepping Through the Decades"? Get excited!!



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- Walk-A-Thon Participation Forms due Tomorrow Apr. 14th at Pledge Drop off! Pledge Drop off is TOMORROW 4/14 (7:30-7:50 Charter, 8-8:30 Elementary)  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xwtfLOGnJlokFnx8LYi94QFFZ3zRvBB/view>
- Don't Forget to Register for the Silent Auction if you haven't already

## WEEK OF 4/18

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- Stepping Through the Decades IS THIS FRIDAY!







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- **The Silent Auction is LIVE** Now until Apr 23rd @8pm. Share this link with family & friends- as many people as you can! <https://auctria.events/MWWAT2022>
- This is the last week where Pledges count towards Prizes both digitally and on paper!!! The last Pledge collection day is on Friday the 22nd (7:30-7:50 Charter, 8-8:30 Elementary) and Online pledges will be accepted until end of day on the 22nd <https://app.99pledges.com/fund/markwestpta2022>
- If you haven't turned in your WAT Participation forms, do it ASAP
- **Prize Pick up Day will be on Friday May 6th from 1-3:15pm!!**

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- Students must have Participation waivers turned in TODAY or they can't participate! <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xwetfLOGnJlokFnx8LYi94QFFZ3zRvBB/view>

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- Don't forget to Dress Up in your Decades Gear tomorrow!

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- It's not too late to get your last bids in- Silent Auction will close Sat. Apr 23rd @8pm! <https://auctria.events/MWWAT2022>

4/23

- Silent Auction is Ending TONIGHT @ 8pm! - Get your final bids in! <https://auctria.events/MWWAT2022>

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- PRIZE PICK UP DAY Tomorrow (Wednesday) is Prize Pick up Day from 12:45-3:15pm!!

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- PRIZE PICK UP DAY is Today from 12:45-3:15pm!!



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## School Activities







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Kindergarten had a presentation on balance from a SCOE science teacher. The kids loved exploring the balance table. We learned that scientist make a lot of mistakes to understand an experiment and collaboration is key.

Campus Beautification- Thank You PTA!



Beginnings of Be Kind



6<sup>th</sup> grade Salmon in the Creek



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Be Kind, getting closer!



Tiger Handball Wall



Only Rain should go down the drain!





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