November 13, 2020

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

I hope you were able to do something fun and together last Wednesday for Veteran's Day. Thank you for continuing to support your children, their teachers and the school. Warm regards, Patrick Eagle

FRIDAY'S ASSEMBLY VIDEO

During regular school, weather permitting, we have an assembly every Friday where the whole school comes together for flag salute, announcements and presentation of Eagle feathers (for outstanding students). Due to Distant Learning, I've moved to a video format. Here is this week's assembly. Prior assemblies can be found on the San Miguel website.

https://www.wevideo.com/view/1921528130

PARENT WORKSHOP SERIES

Parents are invited to our Parent Workshop presented by School Counselors Mr. Cooper and Mr. Garcia, "Managing and Working Through Anxiety & Other Emotions During the Holidays" 11/18 @ 6:00 pm, 11/19@ 2:00 pm. Click here for English, here for Spanish

DISTRICT WIDE SPIRIT WEEK

Next week, students can participate in the Mark West District's spirit week. Send any photos to craggio@ mwusd.org or peagle@mwusd.org. Here are the events:

Monday: Dress Like a Pilgrim or wear fall colors

Tuesday: Poem Day Wednesday: Harvest Day

Thursday: Family Famous Recipes

Friday: Thankful Day

Click here for a slide deck with more detail.

PTO PRESENTS THE TURKEY TROT 5K

During the Thanksgiving break, families will have the opportunity to have fun and exercise together by participating in the PTO's Turkey Trot 5K. All San Miguel students will receive a medal and race bib. If you would like more race bibs for other family members, please email Jazmine Peterson. We encourage you to invite family members, friends and relatives to join you. This is a free event, but we are accepting donations. If you would like more race bibs than what your San Miguel student(s) will receive, , please email sanmiguelsitepto@gmail.com Click here for the flyer



BOOK FAIR IS COMING

Dear Parents and Families:

We are working hard to keep kids reading and raise critical funds for our library with our Scholastic Online Book Fair from November 20 - December 3! The Fair will connect your kids to notable

The Fair will connect your kids to notable books and inspiring characters—helping them become lifelong readers. And you'll

love the new option to experience the magic of the shopping experience through a Virtual Book Fair! Plus, enjoy these special online shopping features:

Access to over 6,000 products

All orders ship direct to home

FREE shipping on book-only orders over \$25* Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with online shopping:

https://www.scholastic.com/bf/sanmiguelelementaryschool2

Thank you for continuing to support our school. Happy reading, Victoria Cratty, Librarian. vcratty@mwusd.org

A NOTE FROM COACH BRE

This week's video:

https://youtu.be/8ZXKgPljBKo

Congratulations to our winners of last week's Challenge :Zack G.- Mark West, Mrs. Anderson ,Natale B. - Riebli, Ms. Gonzalves

The challenge this week is a Homemade Agility Ladder Exercise. The challenge is sponsored by

BRAVO RESTORATION & CONSTRUCTION.

Drawing is for 2, \$25 gift cards to AMAZON. Thank You for your support. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions, comments, or suggestions!

Thank you-Breanne Bush 'Coach Bre'

UPCOMING DATES

11/18/20 Student materials pick up day

11/18/20 Lunch distribution

11/20-12/3 Online book fair

11/23-11/27 - Thanksgiving Break

12/1/20 - Parent Zoom Meeting 5:30

12/2/20 - Lunch Distribution

12/9/20 - Student materials pick up day

12/9/20 - Lunch Distribution

12/16/20 - Lunch Distribution

12/21-1/1 - Winter Break

CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS TREE

This year's Charlie Brown Christmas Tree, decorated by our amazing students, is underway and we need your help! During the pick-up and drop-off material days, there is an optional art project for your kiddo to participate in: My Hands Ornament. These ornaments (once laminated) will be strung together to create a beautiful garland of your children's "hands" holding on to each other to represent how our school takes pride in coming together and providing positivity in the communities we are in. The ornament will represent something your child does with their hands to make the world around them better (play music, write stories, draw, communicate, etc.). If your child would like to participate, please let your teachers know so we can have the ornament packet prepared for you at the next material pick up. Please remember to use the November 18th material swap day to return the finished masterpiece. To the parents specifically – the PTO, who is managing this wonderful project, would like to know if anyone can assist us in executing the physical decorating of the tree on November 29th at 10:00 am at the Windsor Town Green. COVID regulations will be in place, so please be forewarned. If interested, please contact Josalynn Kirby at josmwhite@comcast.net, thanks!

A NOTE FROM THE MUSIC TEACHER

All San Miguel 3rd-grade students will soon have the opportunity to participate in a weekly Zoom music class to learn to play the soprano recorder. 3rd-grade recorder lessons will begin the week of Nov. 30 and will continue for 10 weeks.

To participate, 3rd graders' parents should fill out the following Recorder Class Form:

https://forms.gle/BdC6GBQmTq55qzSn9 NO LATER than Friday, November 13. Anyone who would like to purchase or borrow a recorder will receive it on the Nov. 18 materials pick-up day, IF your form AND payment (if applicable) were received by Nov. 13. Only 3rd-grade students may participate. Specific class details will be shared with you before Thanksgiving break.

Keep calm and play music!

Mrs. Kaufman

FOOD AND TOY DRIVE

Local charities have teamed up for a combined toy and food drive this season. Click for the flyer. English & Spanish

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLES

Beginning November 2, 2020, the counseling team has been visiting classrooms, Grades TK through 2nd, once a week for about 20 to 25 minutes to participate with kids on developing social emotional learning strategies for the classroom and in the community as a whole. Click here for the flyer.

MORE THAN A MEAL

This year, more than ever, it is important for as many families as possible to fill out the application for

free/reduced lunch. This application applies to school funding way beyond the lunch program. It also helps fund many services and programs that the school provides. Please view the English <u>flyer here</u>, in <u>Spanish here</u>, and here is the <u>application link</u>.

DISTANCE LEARNING SOCIAL GROUPS

Our district counselors and trainees are holding meetings with Distance Learning Social Groups. If you think your child may benefit, please click on the link below

<u>Flyer - English</u> <u>Flyer - Espanol</u>

STUDENTS MAY CHECK OUT LIBRARY BOOKS

We are so excited to have students check out books! Here are the steps needed to check out books from San Miguel library:

- 1) Browse the online library catalog, click here: https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/24106
- 2) Click on the Search Options button or type in a keyword in the search bar.

You can look for books by A.R. level for example 0.1 - 2.5 (do not forget the decimal point), grade level etc., via the search option. The 'most recent' tab on the top right corner leads to the newest books added to the library. Write down the name of the book and the call number (author's name for fiction and number for non-fiction) you want to check out plus an optional book if we can not get your first choice.

3) Once your student has chosen a book(s), go to https://forms.gle/njQyHENRopSXdxS46 and sign up to have the book checked out.

The book will be in your materials pick up on the next Wednesday you are assigned to pick up.

Please note: only students who are in good library standing will be able to check out books. Notices have been sent to parents/guardians with overdue books. Any questions can be directed to vcratty@mwusd.org

SCOE EVENTS FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

Supporting Student Math Learning at Home Contact: Josh Deis | jdeis@scoe.org

K-1 Network | Oct. 27 and Dec. 1

2-5 Network | Nov. 2 and Dec. 3

6-12 Network | Nov. 5 and Dec. 7

Spanish Only Network | Nov. 19 and Dec. 14

During the 2020-21 school year parents and caregivers, like teachers, have been thrust into a new role. One area of particular challenge is facilitating math learning at home. The Sonoma County Office of Education's math department will be hosting a series of sessions for parents and caregivers to connect and figure out ways to best support their child's math learning.

During our time together, participants will connect with other parents and caregivers. In addition, parents and caregivers will be supplied with resources to help them navigate the math learning that their child is engaging in

Translation will be provided for all sessions. A Spanish-only series will also be offered. The sessions will be organized by grade span and each grade span will meet twice. Participants can join one or both sessions offered.

<u>Click here to learn more about each Network, access</u> <u>resources and/or register</u>