

May 14, 2021

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Thanks so much to all of you who participated in the teacher appreciation week. I know the teachers very much appreciated all the flowers, notes, cards, and gifts. I hope you can tune into the Bingo Night on Thursday and the PTO meeting on Wednesday. No school for students on Friday, May 21st!

Warm regards,

Patrick Eagle

ZOOM BINGO 5/20/21

If you would like to play Bingo at 5:30 Thursday night, May 20th, please email your oldest child's teacher the number of Bingo cards (they are actually booklets) you would like for the family, one booklet per player. We'll play 5 games. The prize for winning will be a real Bingo dauber (ink dotter like the pro's use in Bingo, so you'll be ready for next year's in-person Bingo game. There are limited Bingo booklets, order soon! Here is the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85212625385?pwd=ZldGRDVEWGNVU1BrS29Ta3FiU0I4dz09>

Here is the ID and passcode: Meeting ID: 852 1262 5385

Passcode: bingo

SBAC TESTING IS COMING

Despite the many school districts across the state that are objecting to participating in the annual state tests, they are requiring schools to complete it. Although we will be putting little emphasis on the results, we'll still go through the process. They will be shortened versions of the prior years' tests and will take place during the week of 5/24. I'll be sending a letter from the school district via Messenger next week with more information.

SPIRIT WEEK - NEXT WEEK

Monday - Wacky socks/mismatch Day

Tuesday - Jersey/Sports Day

Wednesday - Crazy Hair Day

Thursday - School Spirit Wear Day

Click [here](#) for more information

TICKS- ITS A BAD YEAR

Apparently it is a bad year for ticks. Here is a link for more information:

<https://www.cdc.gov/lyme/toolkit/index.html>

CONSERVE WATER - DO YOUR PART

Drought is here. Save water! The Mark West Union School District has reduced outdoor irrigation by 60 percent to help save water. You, too, can help save water at home. Here are some tips: Reduce outdoor irrigation by one day a week or more; fix those leaks now; turn off the faucet when brushing teeth; use a car wash that recycles its water or just keep your car dirty!



Please visit savingwaterpartnership.org for water saving tips and stay updated on drought conditions at sonomawater.org/drought.

NO SCHOOL FRIDAY, MAY 21

Friday, May 21, is a staff development / non-student day. There will be NO SCHOOL for any grade level. Teachers will be working in their classrooms.

BOOK FAIR - Stock up for summer reading!

I would like to invite you to visit the virtual San Miguel Book Fair. As you know, we have not been able to have one at school for over a year. Ms. Cratty uses the profits from the fair to purchase more books for our library. Please take a look when you get a chance. Here is the link:

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

PTO UPDATE

Our LAST PTO meeting of the year will be on Wednesday, May 19th, via Zoom, 6 - 7 pm. Here is the link: 859 8127 5880 , or [click here](#), passcode: PTO.

UPCOMING DATES

5/19/21 - Lunch distribution - 11:30-1:30

5/19/21 - PTO meeting, 6 -7 pm

5/20/21 - Zoom Bingo Night 5:30

5/21/20 - Non-Student day/teacher work day

5/26/21 - Lunch distribution - 11:30-1:30

5/31/21 - Memorial Day Holiday

6/2/21 - Lunch distribution - 11:30-1:30

6/4/21 - Last day of school

6/4/21 - 6th grade promotion, 1:30 pm, gates open 1:00

FROM YOUR MUSIC TEACHER

Greetings! I am so excited to share with you all the 2021 Virtual Concert, featuring 4th-8th-grade music students in the Mark West District. Although putting this together was an incredibly time-intensive process, it was all worth it to me when I heard the students' voices and instruments playing together. It is a sound that I have missed all year. A HUGE THANK YOU to all the students who participated! I am so incredibly proud of you all!

Please enjoy! - Mrs. Kaufman

Piano (2:45):

<https://video.link/w/PMosc>

Continuing Band (1:28):

<https://video.link/w/tTosc>

Beginning Guitars (2:17):

<https://video.link/w/eRosc>

Continuing Guitars (1:47):

<https://video.link/w/9Rosc>

Beginning Violins (with Continuing Violin on 1 piece) (2:32):

<https://video.link/w/gSosc>

Chorus (with Continuing Violins on 1 piece) (10:41):

<https://video.link/w/pUosc>

Please help to 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.