

December 4, 2020

## LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,  
I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving break. My kids came home from college and we got to spend some time together. I will say it was kind of a relief to not entertain a big group. Thanks to those who participated in the Turkey Trot. The slideshow link is located below. It is also included in the Friday assembly video. Have a wonderful weekend.

Warm regards,  
Patrick Eagle

### FRIDAY'S ASSEMBLY VIDEO

Here is this week's video:  
<https://www.wevideo.com/view/1951110372>

### TURKEY TROT 5K & PARTICIPATION MEDALS

Thanks to all those who participated in the Turkey Trot and thanks for sending in the photos. Click below for the slide show. All students will be receiving a participation medal on Wednesday during Materials pick up. Again, thank you to our generous sponsors: Bravo Restoration and Construction, Anthony Habarthur-Escrow Officer Fidelity National Title, Holman Plumbing, and Smile Orthodontics.

[Click here for the slideshow](#)

### A NOTE FROM COACH BRE

Hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving full of family, good food, and most importantly some rest and relaxation!

This week's PE video and worksheet  
<https://youtu.be/Ly0ic1th0l4>

Congratulations to the winners of last week's challenge: Samuel Rust - Mrs. Gonsalves, Riebli; Olivia Peacocke- Mrs. Andersen, San Miguel. The challenge this week is sponsored by Joe Sobolewski of Edward Jones. This week we have FOUR \$25 gift cards to Pages Books on the Windsor Town Green.

Students will be receiving Chinese Jump Ropes at the next materials pickup, one per family. Sonoma County Home Group has purchased ropes for the entire district. I will begin a mini unit the week of December 14th. Chinese Jump Rope was one of my favorites as a kid so I am very much looking forward to it! Please spread the news and get your students excited. Thank you for your continued support. Please let me know if you have any questions or feedback. Have a great week.



Thank you-Breanne Bush 'Coach Bre'

### MARK WEST COMMUNITY TREE ORNAMENT PROJECT

[Click here for more information](#)

### LUNCH DISTRIBUTION LOCATION CHANGE

Due to the upcoming winter weather, lunch distribution will now be occurring at the entrance of the Multi-purpose room beginning 12/2/20.

### TK AND KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2021-2022:

Our District will start accepting online applications for TK and Kindergarten classes which will begin next August. Beginning at 5:00 p.m. Monday, December 7, you will be able to visit the district website to start the process. Click on this link to begin.

<https://markwestusd.asp.aeries.net/air/>

### A NOTE FROM THE MUSIC TEACHER

I am happy to share the 2020 Virtual Mark West Tree Lighting Ceremony with you!

A huge thank you to all the chorus and violin students (kudos, Viviana!) who participated in the virtual performance! In this tumultuous time, I find myself turning often to music for comfort, creativity, and connection (even if it's just online connection!). Thank you all so very much for continuing to support the music program during this difficult time.

Grab a hot cup of cocoa, a warm cookie, and enjoy the 2020 Virtual Mark West Tree Lighting Ceremony!

Tree Lighting Ceremony: <https://youtu.be/eY-ZHxEetgA>

Full video of music performance:

<https://youtu.be/7W2YfJMC2YM>

### UPCOMING DATES

12/9/20 - Student materials pick up day

12/9/20 - Lunch Distribution

12/16/20 - Lunch Distribution

12/21-1/1 - Winter Break

1/6/21 - Student materials pick up day

1/6/21 - Lunch Distribution

1/13/21 - Lunch Distribution

1/20/21 - Student materials pick up day


1/20/21 - Lunch Distribution

### 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](mailto:vcratty@mwusd.org)*

## **SCOE EVENTS FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS**

### **Supporting Student Math Learning at Home**

**Contact:** Josh Deis | [jdeis@scoe.org](mailto: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.

[Click here to learn more about each Network, access resources and/or register](#)