

September 17, 2021



### **LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

*Dear Families,*

*I want to remind you and invite you to the PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) Zoom meeting on Wednesday night at 6:00 pm. This is a great opportunity to make a positive impact on your child's school. Hope to see you there.*

*Warm regards,  
Patrick Eagle*

### **PTO UPDATE**

Our first General PTO meeting will be Wednesday, September 22nd at 6:00. Here is the Zoom link:<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81659676408>

The spirit store is now closed. It was very successful and we were able to raise \$1,255.00. That's awesome! We are excited to see everyone in their new spirit wear. All orders will be shipped directly to you and will take a few weeks. We also were able to get new soccer balls, basketballs, and red bouncy balls for the playground.

### **SOME SAD NEWS**

It is my regret to inform you that our unofficial San Miguel mascot and front man, Jim Costa, has passed away after a long bout with an illness. Not only was he the husband of our beloved office assistant Wendy Costa, he was also a prominent figure around campus. In the morning and afternoons he directed traffic with his iconic white Mickey Mouse hands. We all will miss him greatly. If you'd like to show your support to Wendy, a handwritten note or card would be best.

### **A MESSAGE FROM OUR PE TEACHER**

PE started this week! Your child has PE on either Monday or Wednesday. Please remind your students to wear closed toe shoes and appropriate clothing to participate in PE. Our first introductory unit is 'TEAMWORK.' We will play games & activities that help us develop good sportsmanship qualities and learn how to work together as a team. Can't wait to be back on campus with our San Miguel Eagles! [Unit Flyer](#)

### **MASKS AT SCHOOL**

Just to clarify, masks are required for everyone indoors. Outdoors they are optional, however, I've asked the staff to continue to wear them outside for safety. We also encourage students to wear masks outside as well. If a student has a close contact with a student who has tested positive for Covid, and the student was unmasked, they must quarantine for 10 days. If they had their mask

on during the close contact, they can still come to school under a modified quarantine. I've sent this before, but here is the chart we follow. [English](#) [Spanish](#)

### **HALLOWEEN PARADE ON HOLD**

The Halloween parade has traditionally been a family event. Parents were invited on campus to watch the students walk around the playground in their costumes. With Covid being the way it is, we may not be able to hold the parade. I'm sure students will still be able to wear their costumes at school on Friday 10/29. I'll keep you posted.

### **A 'NOTE' FROM THE MUSIC TEACHER**

Please email me if you are interested in joining the Mark West Education Foundation Board. [kkauffman@mwusd.org](mailto:kkauffman@mwusd.org)

### **PETS ON CAMPUS**

Our district policy is no pets on campus, even if they are on a leash. Thanks for your cooperation.

### **UPCOMING DATES**

9/22/21 - PTO general meeting, 6:00 pm  
10/8/21 - Conference Day, no school for students  
10/29/21 - Halloween Dress up day  
11/1/21 - Staff Day, no school for students  
11/9/21 - Make up Picture Day  
11/11/21 - Veterans Day - School Holiday  
11/22-11/26 - Thanksgiving Holiday



Jim Costa, we'll miss you!