Parent Newsletter

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Updated Calendar

PTA 22-23 Calendar / SMMUSD 22-23 Calendar

Sat/Sun		Cameron Field is Open to the Public / 8-3 (Campus is visited throughout the day by security personnel and the children's bathrooms are opened and maintained. This service is paid for by the City Parks Department. Revenue benefits MES.)
Now		Send in your child's Comfort Bag Comfort Bag Plan Speak with your child about how **effort** and **perseverance** are keys to success.
This Week		
Mon	10/10	~~Principal Hertz Absent~~ ~~Grayfox Gate Closed (Principal Hertz Unavailable to Open)~~ 5th grade parents given preview of the 5th Grade Healthy Kids Survey (PASSIVE Permission: California Healthy Kids Survey / Permiso PASIVO: Encuesta de Niños Saludables de California)
Mon-Fri	10/10-10/14	Digital Citizenship Week (Parent Video)
Tues	10/11	Principal Hertz at Principals' Meeting / 8 - 4 @ Santa Monica Grayfox Gate Closed (Principal Hertz Unavailable to Open)
Thur	10/13	SSC Meeting #2 / 3:30 - 4:45 @ Zoom Link (Agenda)
Fri	10/14	Volunteer Training / 11- 11:30 @ zoom link (**Volunteering at MES:** Link)
Beyond		
Thur	10/20	ELAC / 9-10am @ MES Library Courtyard (Refreshments and light breakfast served.) Agenda forthcoming Earthquake Drill / 10:20 @ MES (How parents can help link.) (We will practice our reunification procedure. See article below.)
Fri	10/21	Make Up Picture Day 5th grade parents passive permission due for the 5th Grade Healthy Kids Survey (PASSIVE Permission: California Healthy Kids Survey / Permiso PASIVO: Encuesta de Niños Saludables de California)
Mon-Fri	10/24-10/28	Spooky Book Fair @ Library (Details)
Wed	10/26	PTA Association Meeting / 9:30 - 10:30 @ Zoom link
Fri	10/28	Halloween Parade / 8:30-9 @ lower field (Costume Guidelines & Viewing Details) PTA "Trunk or Treat" Parent-Child Event / 5 - 6pm @ parking lot
Sat	10/29	PTA Art Contest "Reflections" Submissions Due (See article below)
November		
Nov 1 - Nov 30		5th Grade California Healthy Kids Survey
Tues	11/01	No School / Parent Conference Day
Wed	11/02	Minimum Day / Parent Conferences Continue (Mini Day 4 of 10)
Thur	11/03	Minimum Day / Parent Conferences Continue (Mini Day 5 of 10)
Fri	11/11	No School - Veterans' Day / Veterans' Day Ceremony Event (Flier Link)
Wed	11/23	No School / local holiday
Thur	11/24	No School for Thanksgiving
Fri	11/25	No School

Archived MES Parent Newsletters

District Announcements
Link

MES PTA Announcements
Home Page: https://www.malibuelementary.org/ (Purchase Spirit Wear Here)
PTA Newsletter: https://www.malibuelementary.org/newsletter
Join the PTA / Membership Link: https://www.malibuelementary.org/membership
PTA Amazon Smile: https:smile.amazon.com (Select Malibu Elementary PTA!)
PTA Meetings: www.malibuelementary.org/associationmeetings
PTA Calendar: www.malibuelementary.org/calendar

Principal's Pen

I missed all of you on Thursday and Friday but had a great time supervising the 5th grade class at the Catalina Island Marine Institute.

In addition to the events listed in the calendar above, the PTA is now busy preparing for our Grateful Giving Drive, the Rock Benefit Concert, and the Holiday Show. This Holiday Season will be busy and fun. The fundraisers assure us that we will continue to have the benefits of art, aides, online learning programs, and classroom budgets in 23-24.

As you read in the calendar above we have a few minimum days and holidays coming up. A few of these are dedicated to Parent-Teacher Fall Conferences. Soon teachers will be sending out sign-up information. Thank you for your participation.

Together for good health, happy students, and high-achievement,
Proud Principal Chris Hertz



Parent General Resources

Link

Student Health Resources

Link

Coastal Commission Art Contest
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1q1Vr6CPNjU7AtqkiyOm1_WlW8SYctbHg/view?usp=sharing

Suicide Prevention Information for Parents
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sR98w-ud8HtPCFAbXqhZsO6VepNmt4_0/view?usp=sharing

School Pictures Are Ready
School portraits taken by Cornerstone Photography are now available for viewing and ordering! All orders must be placed online, will incur a $5 shipping charge, and will be mailed directly home. Portrait pickup on campus or in the Cornerstone studio is not available. To view your portrait, click the link below and enter your online code which is MLBU and your Student ID. If you do not

know your child's student ID, please contact our school office and we will provide it for you.
CLICK HERE TO VIEW YOUR PORTRAIT
Online Code: MLBU+Student ID (For Example: MLBU123456)
What if I missed picture day?
A makeup opportunity is scheduled for Friday, October 21st for those who missed picture day or for those who are not satisfied with their portrait and want to try again.
For additional questions, you may contact customercare@cornerstone.photo or (805) 529-1635.

Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drill - Reunification
At MES we have a plan to keep all students safe in case of all sorts of emergencies and natural disasters. Try not to panic! Don't immediately rush to school – take care of your home first! No child will be sent home in an emergency – children will be kept safe at school until they are signed out to a designated adult.

When you arrive at school, park away from the campus to keep the parking lot clear for emergency vehicles.

To have your child released to your care, go to the "Request Gate" near the play structure. The members of the Request Gate Team are responsible for greeting parents, guardians, or designees and providing them with tags or other identifications authorizing the holders to reunite with their students at the Reunion Gate. Once you have your tag, walk to the "Reunion Gate". The members of the Request Gate Team are responsible for sending a runner to bring your child to you. Your child will remain with his or her teacher, or with another staff member until you or a designated representative arrives. After 72 hours other civil authorities will provide additional care for unclaimed children and MES will likely become a disaster relief center. (Reunification Map) (On-site Assembly Map)

MBGC Information
Link

PTA Reflections Art Contest Reminder
Here is the link to the PTA Newsletter regarding Reflections 2022:
(all of the Reflections info is in this newsletter: link to CAPTA, theme for 2022, how to enter, rules, due date, contact info, etc)

Here is the link for the Reflections Entry Info

Here is the link for CAPTA on Reflections:
https://capta.org/programs-events/reflections/
If you would like to include just this in your class newsletter you are welcome to!

TIMELINE:
The projects are due 10.29
Judging will be done by 11.2
Winners will be announced on 11/18 at the Friday Assembly

Parent, Cassie Copperfield-Slosser is our Reflections Chair! Please let Cassie and me know if you have any questions or if your parents do.

Best regards,
Melanie Heseker, PTA President

The Spooky BookFair is Coming!
Here is the link to our upcoming BookFair:
https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/Malibu

Who: all MES students/school
What: MES "Spooky" Book Fair
When: October 24 - 28, 2022, during school time
Where: MES Library
Why: Fundraising to help support our Library

Link to SET UP eWALLET

Grayfox Gate Closed Some Days - Don't Climb Fence
When I am not able to be on campus I am not able to open the Grayfox gate. We do not have extra staff hours to man the gate. I will advertise in advance the dates that the gate will be closed unless of course I am out sick. When the gate is closed, please do **NOT** encourage students to climb the fence. It is not safe and undermines our school rule that students do not climb fences. Thank you.

DreamBox - Family Dashboard
DreamBox is a signature program for MES. DreamBox is adaptive and builds conceptual understanding through games. Students are expected to complete five (5) lessons a week. Dreambox is accessible through Clever on our school website: Link. Students who do so will be recognized regularly at MES. DreamBox also provides data to teachers who can in turn customize assignments for students. Our Teacher Leadership Team and the SSC

continue to prioritize DreamBox. DreamBox not only helps all students but it is good at supporting EL students' growth and particularly Spanish-speaking students. If you think your child may need more guidance with DreamBox, please write to the teacher, but first please examine these three

Home Support resources for parents:

1. **Home Learning Guide for Parents & Guardians** - Set Up Your Family DashBoard! The **Family Insight Dashboard** (sometimes simply referred to as the Family Dashboard) allows parents and guardians to monitor their student's learning trends, gaps, and growth. It allows you to see at a glance if your student is mastering the concepts and making progress with DreamBox. Detailed activity and proficiency reports help you set learning goals and prepare conversations with your student and your student's teacher.
2. **YouTube Support Videos for Parents & Guardians** - Watch short videos on best home practices - Spanish too!
3. **Understanding the Family Insight Dashboard**
4. **Home Use Guide**

Craig Foster Celebration

AMPS is having a celebration for **Craig Foster** as he retires.

We would love you to join us if you can. Info below

You are invited to a **celebration** honoring outgoing SMMUSD Board of Education's outgoing member, Craig Foster, who has been Malibu's sole representative on the Board & a tireless supporter of Malibu education and our community for almost 2 decades.

We will also be introducing Malibu's new candidate for this position, **Stacy Rouse** to carry our Malibu torch.

WHAT: Craig Foster Appreciation Celebration
WHO: All Malibu families, school administration, friends of **Craig Foster** and those who have known or been touched by Craig's generosity to our community
WHERE: Malibu City Hall
WHEN: Monday, October 17th - 6 - 8:30 pm
ACTIVITIES: refreshments, acknowledgment of Craig Foster, socializing
RSVP: info@kathrynalice.com

