



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 / 8-1 (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

Practice Student Punctuality - Attend School Everyday! (Good habits last a lifetime.)

This Week

Mar 13 - Mar 16

Tues 03/14

Wed 03/15

Thur 03/16

Fri 03/17

MES Summative ELPAC Assessment for our 22 English Learner students (Proctor Patricia Hill)

Volunteer Training / 10:30 @ [zoom link](#) **Volunteering at MES:** [Link](#)

PTA Association Meeting / 9:30 - 10:30 @ [Zoom Link](#) (Agenda: [2023-24 PTA Slate Announcement](#))

Bingo Night & [Mexican Dinner](#) / 5 - 6:30 @ Cafeteria (Supports 5th grade EOY Projects) (Cash Only) ([Flier](#))

ELAC / 9-10 @ [Zoom Link](#) (Agenda: EL Metrics & New Goals for EL Students)

Peter Pan Performance with Zoe's Lunchtime Theater / Grades 4th/5th: 9am @ cafeteria

Peter Pan Performance with Zoe's Lunchtime Theater / Grades 1st/2nd/3rd: 10am @ cafeteria

Thank you sponsors: Dina Flanagan sponsored the first two sessions (Coco and The Nutcracker). Melissa Smith is sponsoring the current session (Peter Pan). Abbey Benson and Karmel Allison are together sponsoring the next session. Sheena Yaitanes is sponsoring the following session.

Beyond

Mon-Fri 03/20 - 03/24

Thur 03/23

Mon 03/27

Star Spring Diagnostic

SSC / 3:30 - 4:45 @ [zoom link](#) (Agenda: Approve Final Plan for 2023 - 2024)

No School for Cesar Chavez Day

Thur 03/30

Minimum Day - Dismissal 12:45

MES Open House / 4:30 - 6 ([Schedule](#))

Fri 03/31

Last Day Before Spring Break

Lost and Found to Charity / 3pm

Mon 04/3-04/14

Spring Break

Mon 04/17

First Day Back After Spring Break

Wed 04/19

PTA Association Meeting / 9:30 - 10:30 @ [Zoom Link](#) (Agenda: [2023-24 PTA Board Vote](#))

May 1 - May 12

3rd-5th grade Annual California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress / English, Math, & Science Assessment ([Parent Notice](#)) ([Parent Notice in Spanish](#))

Thur 05/18

ELAC Meeting / 9 - 10 @ Zoom (Agenda forthcoming)

Thur	05/25	Art & Marine Science Festival, PTA HSAs & World Cultural Diversity Day Celebration / 5 - 6:30pm
Wed	06/07	5th Grade Promotion / 9:00 - 10:00 @ cafeteria
Thur	06/08	Minimum Day - Dismissal 12:45
Mon	06/12	Minimum Day - Dismissal 12:45
		Last Day of School

June 20 - July 14 Summer School @ MES (Student Identification: Ed Services will use Star Reading and Math to identify students for IISS that need Tier III support. Qualifying students' invitations have been mailed out)

Wed	08/24	First day of School
Wed-Fri	10/18 - 10/20	5th Grade Overnight Trip to Pali Camp (See article below)

[Archived MES Parent Newsletters](#)

District Announcements

[Link](#)

MES PTA

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 Meetings: www.malibuelementary.org/associationmeetings
 PTA Calendar: www.malibuelementary.org/calendar

Principal's Pen

Hello MES Families,

We are now enrolling for next school year. Please contact Registrar Kim Rivetti in the office to begin. Enrollment is done online this year. This new paperless system not only saves parents and staff time, but improves data accuracy. We hope to bring a TK program to MES and need students to enroll before we can hire. Please save your child's spot by enrolling now. (Twenty-four TK applications have been picked up but none have been returned. We need students before we can hire a TK teacher and set up the classroom.) Over the coming weeks I will be updating you about our evolving plans for next school year.

Thank you to our PTA and larger parent community for your support of the Instructional Aide Program. Thanks to your generosity we have five skilled and hard-working IAs supporting our ten teachers. We are very grateful and I hope we can grow this program over the coming school year. Could we have nine IAs next year? Fundraising for next year got off to a superlative start thanks again to PTA and Parent Community. Please visit our PTA website to see where your contributions go. **We are only 20% away from our \$250,000 goal!** That's amazing!

This Wednesday, please participate in the MES Bingo Night. See the calendar above for details. We hope all of our community will come out and support. Some say this is the best event of the school year!

Thank you for your partnership,
 Proud Principal Chris Hertz



Parent General Resources

[Link](#)

Student Health Resources

[Link](#)

Movie Night Successful

Movie Night was well attended and sales were \$1,050. Thank you to our PTA and the Marks families for organizing the evening. The 5th grade concessions sale generated \$552 for their end of year activities. Thank you to the 5th grade parent committee.

MES Student Flea Market

While the event was not well attended, the students who had set up their tables with their goods had a great time. We may do this again next year. Thank you to parent Anne Behr for organizing the event.

Grayfox Bees are Gone / Gate Reopened

The bees who built a hive on Thursday morning on the Grayfox gate have moved on as of Monday morning. Thank you for all the concerned calls we received.

2023-2024 5th Grade Overnight Trip to Pali Camp

Hello MES 4th Grade Parents,
Thank you to the dozen or so families who were able to attend our first orientation about the 5th Grade Overnight Trip to Pali Camp for the 2023 - 2024 school year. We have secured our spot from October 18th-October 20th. At the meeting we all decided to set up a donation system via the [PTA website store](#) in lieu of fundraising for now. This will help us to know which families are attending MES next year and which families are able to donate. The voluntary donation amount per student is \$460. This covers the bus to the camp, lodging, meals, instruction, and supervision personnel. You may make two installments of \$230 if that works better for your family. The first payment to the camp is due June 20. The last installment will be due September 18. Therefore please make your donation by May and August and fill out the following [GOOGLE FORM](#) to help our planning process to make this happen. If you are ready to donate: Please [donate here](#).

So, who is excited about their child attending outdoor education science camp in October?

- PTA Donation [Link](#)
- [Video](#) Overview
- [Health and Safety Information + Cabin Tour](#)
- [Packing List and Paperwork Information](#)
- Key Dates
 - Installment 1 of 2: May

- Installment 2 of 2: August
- Trip: October 18 - 20

Volunteer Training

Parents may sign up for training with Principal Hertz by contacting Administrative Assistant Diane Sullivan. Below are the four remaining tours for the 2022-2023 school year.

Volunteering at MES: [Link](#) to the details.

Date
Tues., March 14 @ 10:30
Tues., April 18 @ 8:30
Tues., May 2 @ 1:30

Art & Marine Science Collaboration for Open House

We are excited to announce a collaboration between our art and marine science classes in preparation for Open House. The objective is for our students to learn about our impact on the environment and how we all can be a part of positive change.

Call for supplies for art:

- Recyclable trash (cardboard, plastic, cans). Must be clean, no sharp edges, no glass.
- White used paper preferably blank on one side.

There will be a box(s) outside of the art room for donations. If a student wants to use it for their specific project, it is best to have them keep it in their classroom.

New Family Tours

New families may schedule a tour with Principal Hertz by contacting Attendance Officer Kim Rivetti. Below are the four remaining tours for the 2022-2023 school year.

Tues March 14 8:30-9:30
Tues April 18 1:30 - 2
Tues May 2 8:30 - 2

Mon May 22 1:30 - 2

After-School Programs - Parent Access Gates

MES after-school program offerings are expanding. To maintain security, parents are asked to use different gates for different programs. **The Fernhill gate should never be used because it is unsupervised. If it is propped open, our after-school children are less secure.**

- **MBGC:** After phoning or texting MBGC, use their **gate next to MBGC**. MBGC staff will walk your child to you.
- **Jaxx Theater:** Use their **gate in the Greyfox parking lot**. The gate attendant will ask you to wait at the gate.
- **FC Soccer:** Use the Greyfox Gate near the green handball courts. The coaches will greet you, welcome your child, and keep the students secure. At pick up, the coaches will open the gate and release the students to their parents.

Student Flea Market / Sunday March 12 @ MES

Does your child want to become an entrepreneur? Does your child want to sell stuff they have at home that they don't use anymore? Maybe they'll have something that a younger kid would love to spend their pocket money on? If yes, please sign your child up for our first-ever MES Student Flea Market. Your child/you keep all of the money you earn that day. Students may want to start planning by getting a box and putting stuff in that they think will sell. That is the biggest part of it, to get the excitement going.

- Complete this ([Liability Form](#)) and return to parent volunteer and event sponsor Anne Hansen at annehansen9@icloud.com
- Parents can purchase a table for \$50 through the PTA Online Store. Link: [Flea Market Table Purchase](#)
- All items not sold must be brought back home.

School dumpsters are not available.

Tardies! - Help Us Help Your Child and You

If your child is late, please make sure to come to the window and sign the tardy log, DO NOT drop them off to sign themselves in. Teachers take roll within the first 15 minutes of the school day. We would not know to look for your child in the event of an emergency. The only way we know to change an ABSENCE to a TARDY is for **parents to check off the tardy log**. If a child simply grabs a tardy slip without a parent signing them in, they will be marked absent for the day. We appreciate your cooperation with this system. The first bell rings at 8:10am; students are expected to be on campus BY 8:10am. If you drop your child off at 8:15, they are late. You may drop your child off as early as 7:45am.

PTA BOARD Nominating Committee for 2023-24

- On 2/15 we need to form a Nominating Committee (5 PTA members and 2 alternates)
- On 3/15 the Nominating Committee needs to present the Slate (a name per each of the PTA positions)
- On 4/19 the PTA Association will vote on the nominees for the 2023-24 PTA Board
- Please consider being on the Nominating Committee and/or the PTA Board or please help get the word out that we need more wonderful volunteers!
- We have to have a quorum on 2/15, 3/15 & 4/19 - everyone who can make these meetings needs to attend!!!

MBGC Information

[Link](#)

