



Dear Lead Elementary School Families-

We have many events occurring in the beginning of March, including Spring Picture Day, a Lead PTA Fundraiser at Chipotle, and Invitation-only Parent-Teacher Conferences. Please read more below in our Upcoming Events section.

Spring Picture Day: Thursday, March 3rd is Spring Picture Day and a Free Dress Day. [Sign up HERE](#). We need volunteers to help get students to the right location and assist with various aspects of picture day. As a bonus, volunteers will be compensated with free photographs. Please sign up with the link below. Please also note the requirement for all volunteers to have their full Covid-19 vaccine series. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CABAC23A2F9C43-volunteers3>
Please see more information and upcoming important dates below in this week's newsletter.

[Important Information](#)

Change in Kindergarten Daily Schedule: We have adjusted the time for our Kindergarten lunch and recess to now be 12:00-12:20pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. This will help our students with their learning time. You can view our full bell schedule [HERE](#).

Complete Family Survey: Please also remember to complete your [California School Parent Survey \(CSPS\)](#). We want to know your thoughts about how our school is supporting your child's learning and development, creating a safe and supportive environment, welcoming and involving parents in the community. Your survey answers will be anonymous and will help us in our efforts to support all students to achieve their full academic, social and emotional potential. Take the survey [here](#) or if you need help to access the survey, please stop by the school office.

COVID Testing: Pool testing continues at Lead every Tuesday. The link is [here](#) in English and Spanish. Click on Español in the upper right corner to view the form in Spanish. The passcode is LEAD2021. For more information on districts support for COVID cases, visit our "[Safe Return to School](#)" page. View the [February COVID-19 School Site Testing Calendar with Virus Geeks](#) for further information on locations and dates available. All SMFCSD's families can register onsite. Please remember that if your child is showing COVID-19 symptoms, please, keep them home. Get them tested as soon as possible.

February and March Meals Menus: Please [click HERE for February](#) and [click HERE for March](#) to see our district menu for student meals.

Playworks from Coach Thomas: Playworks will continue a new Classroom Game Time cycle this week. Focus will be on safe play. Junior Coaches meet on Wednesday after school from 12:45pm to 2:45pm.

[Upcoming Events](#)



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Wednesday, March 2nd (ALL DAY) - Neon Colors Spirit Day: Encourage your child to show school spirit by wearing clothes that are bright and neon colors. Students who dress up for Spirit Day do not need to wear their regular school uniform on this special day.

Wednesday, March 2nd (3:00-4:00pm) - School Site Council and English Language Advisory Committee Meeting: Please contact Mr. Slife at cslife@smfcsd.net or 650-312-7550 for the Zoom information to join the SSC and ELAC meeting.

Wednesday, March 2nd (7:00-8:30pm on Zoom) - Lead Principal Virtual Chat & PTA Meeting: Please attend our Principal Chat and PTA Meeting for families on Zoom with Mr. Slife in English and Spanish.

Thursday, March 3rd - Spring Picture Day and Free Dress: Look out for more information soon.

Friday, March 4th - End of Trimester 2: This marks the end of our second of 3 trimesters.

Wednesday, March 9th and Thursday, March 10th - Invitation-Only In Person and Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences (Minimum School Days): You will be contacted by your child's classroom teacher to meet virtually or in person to discuss your child's progress in their learning if requested. Any parents/caregivers who want to meet in person must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19. Please note we will follow our Minimum Day Schedule found by clicking [HERE](#).

Wednesday, March 9th (5:00-9:00pm) - Lead PTA Fundraiser at Chipotle: Click [HERE for English](#) and [Here for Spanish](#) fliers.

Wednesday, March 16-23 - Lead Scholastic Book Fair: Join us for the Lead Scholastic Book Fair, Volunteers needed! Please contact Ms. Shannon in the Library or email smcgovern@smfcsd.net if you are interested in helping! Shop online and sign up at: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/leadelementaryschool>

[For Your Consideration](#)

Food Resources in San Mateo: Please [click HERE](#).

Free Grocery Distribution:

- [Second Harvest Food Distribution Sites San Mateo Foster City English](#)
- [Second Harvest Food Distribution Sites San Mateo Foster City - SPANISH](#)

School Website: Please visit our school website at lead.smfcsd.net for more updates and past [Principal Weekly Newsletters](#).



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Respectfully,
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