

# Malibu Elementary

## Parent Newsletter

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### Updated Calendar

#### [SMMUSD Master Calendar](#)

Mon	9/30	<b>Local Holiday / No School</b> Mascot Survey Closes (see article below)
Wed	10/2	Malibu Special Ed Foundation Meeting / 6:30 @ Private Home RSVP to Suzy Forman at msefbu@gmail.com <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yhcaB9_CEr-YpdebAbnreNcocr67plfN/view?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yhcaB9_CEr-YpdebAbnreNcocr67plfN/view?usp=sharing</a>
Wed - Fri	10/2 - 10/4	5th Grade Trip to Catalina Marine Institute Principal Chris Hertz Absent from School Due to 5th Grade CIMI Trip
Wed	10/9	<b>Local Holiday / No School</b>
Thurs	10/10	SSC Meeting #2 / 3:15 - 4:45 @ library Parents of English Learners Meeting / English Language Advisory Committee / 5 - 6 @ Library
Fri	10/11	PTA Reflection Art Contest Deadline (see Newsletter #7 on school website)
Fri	10/18	Environmental Activism Assemblies / 8:30 - 9:15 K-2 & 9:30 - 10:15 3-5 @ Cafeteria
Thurs	10/31	Halloween Parade / 8:30 on playground
Fri	11/1	Dias de Muertos Memorial Celebration / lunchtime
Mon	11/4	4th & 5th Grade Marine Science Assembly / 1- 2 @ Cafeteria
Tues	11/5	Parent/Teacher Conference (Pupil Free Day) / <b>No School for Students</b>
Wed - Fri	11/6 – 11/8	Parent/Teacher Conferences ( <b>Early Dismissal @ 12:45</b> )
Mon	11/11	<b>Veterans' Day / No School</b>
Nov	11/21	PS Arts Afternoon Parent Event / 3 - 5 @ cafeteria
Wed	11/27	Minimum Day ( <b>Early Dismissal @ 12:45</b> )
Thurs	11/28	<b>Thanksgiving Day / No School</b>
Fri	11/29	<b>No School</b>
Fri	12/20	Last Day Before Winter Break

#### Halloween Parade Information

- 8:30am for parade start
- No costumes should promote violence, no weapons for costumes, and masks may only be worn during the parade.
- The parade is on the playground blacktop.
- Students are encouraged to change out from costumes afterwards for comfort.

#### International Peace Day at Malibu Elementary School

Last Friday we had a wonderful performance at school. Inspired by the tradition of Tibetan Peace Flags, in honor of International Peace Day, this year's theme: Climate Action for Peace.

In visual arts class with Ms. Nicole, artists created peace flags with their hopes and dreams for the environment in the year 2030. These flags will travel through the Malibu community and the world. Zoe Langley and student

performers presented a Peace Day Assembly, and then the entire school created a peace symbol on the yard.

#### Dias de Muertos Memorial Celebration at MES

Last Friday afternoon the staff reached consensus on bringing this program to our school. The learning event will be secular and very approachable for our larger community. At this point our community volunteers are Vidas Enck and Melisa Solano. Have you ever seen the movie "COCO"? Dia de los Muertos is a celebration for all of us to come together and pay respect, homage and praise to our loved ones that have passed on. We have all faced loss whether it's a family pet, family member or friend. We hold them close to our hearts and participate in the day of remembrance. This event creates unity and shows the children true empathy. Students may bring a picture or objects that mean something to whom they would like to share about. More information to follow.

### **PTA News**

**Consider Joining the PTA Board.** The MES PTA need a parent to serve as the board Secretary. The Secretary plays a critical role for the PTA by fulfilling this job description: 1) Takes minutes at board and association meetings; 2) Co-signs formal papers with president: authorizations for payment, resolutions and formal letters; 3) Handles PTA correspondence as directed by the president; 4) Maintains and preserves PTA records and important documents to pass on at the end of the term. You would need to attend the monthly PTA board meeting and the monthly PTA association meetings. This volunteer opportunity will be an approximate 6 hours per month commitment. If you have the time and want to do something to help your kid's school that will also benefit the entire school community, please consider volunteering. For more information, please contact Lara Godbille at mespta90265@gmail.com.

**Spirit Wear:** School spirit wear is now available for sale in the front office. Payments can be made in cash, check, or by credit card. Exact change is required if paying with cash. Checks can be made out to "PDMSS PTA." (The MES PTA Board is in the process of changing its names and finalizing the merging of the PDMSS PTA and the Juan Cabrillo PTA. This should be completed by January 2020.)

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1tGDPCX9kGQOPVAz1XUSzlnhwDaB3c2-b/view?usp=sharing>

**Reflections Art Program:** MES PTA is participating in the National PTA Reflections Art program this year. The theme is "Look Within." The deadline for entries will be Monday, October 28th. Information about how to enter and the official rules can be found at: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1E5mqyK6P7CRIL3qT\\_OtIbqKBO9B8S4zO/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1E5mqyK6P7CRIL3qT_OtIbqKBO9B8S4zO/view?usp=sharing).

To learn more general information about the program, please visit [www.pta.org/reflections](http://www.pta.org/reflections). Participating in Reflections gives students the opportunity to explore their own thoughts, feelings and ideas, develop artistic literacy, increase confidence and find a love for learning that will help them become more successful in school and in life.

### **Parking on Fernhill - Tickets Being Given by Sheriff**

Please respect the no parking signs and be aware the Sheriff is now issuing tickets.

### **Volunteers Needed at MES**

**Valet Duty:** Help keep the afternoon pick-up line moving. Volunteers need to be prepared to quickly open the vehicle's passenger door and get the student out, close the door and move on to the next vehicle.

*Time commitment:* 20 minutes, 1 day/week

*When:* Volunteers are needed daily, but especially on Tuesdays

### **Fridays are Spirit Days at Malibu Elementary**

Spirit days are back! Students, teachers, support staff, volunteers, and parents are encouraged to show their school pride by wearing our school tee shirts and colors (blue and green) on Fridays. Your participation sends a positive message to students, parents, and staff that we are school with pride and team spirit. Thank you for your weekly support.

### **Lost and Found Lunchbox Cart Needed- Can You Help Us?**

MES needs a large, low cart to store misplaced lunch boxes, water bottles, and loose items in. Do you have one to donate? If yes, please contact Mr. Hertz. Here are samples from Amazon (Use these search words):

- CHAMPRO Portable Monster Ball Storage Locker, Chrome Finish, 41"x 25"x 38"

The lost lunchbox cart will be in the cafeteria.

### **Free ESL Classes for Adults Begin This Wednesday**

Please see the flyer here to sign up. The classes are at the malibu Public Library.

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### **After-School Acting Class for 4th and 5th Grade - Limit 20**

In partnership with the Malibu Foundation, attention 4th and 5th grade families, here is an opportunity to examine. Space is limited to 20 and is first-come, first-served. Email Chris Hertz at [chertz@smmusd.org](mailto:chertz@smmusd.org) to secure your spot. Again, first-come first served.

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### **Parent Advice - Speaking with Children about Violence**

This infographic is a helpful guide for parents when discussing violence in our world.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ABrZJBBXXICSJ-4so39IVR6iMchNMp7C/view?usp=sharing>

