



John L. Webster Elementary School

3602 Winter Canyon Road Malibu, CA 90265

WEBSTER WEEKLY

Archived Webster Weekly Newsletters

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE-Jan 10, 2022

Dear Webster Families,

I hope you had a restful weekend. Thank you to everyone for your continued flexibility as we continue to offer our students in-person school. I am working swiftly to pivot as we receive new guidelines and updates from LACDPH. In fact, new guidelines are expected tomorrow, which I will digest and communicate if there are any updates that impact how we provide school to Webster students.

Malibu Medical continues to be our provider for our weekly PCR testing. We always test on Mondays. If your child missed testing Monday, 1/3/22 you are **STILL REQUIRED** to provide a negative PCR for their return. If your child happened to be absent from school last week, they **are not excused** from the requirement to submit a negative PCR. This has been communicated several times and still stands. Thank you for your compliance. Last week, due to overwhelming volume, test results were delayed in being emailed to families. I have access to results, and checked them daily as they trickled in. I prioritize my communication to the parent(s) of any child who tested positive. I am assured by Malibu Medical that this week they will return to emailing results by Tuesday evening, as they had done weeks prior.

On January 1, 2022, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH) published [new safety protocols for K-12 schools](#). Webster is piloting the option for a shortened isolation/quarantine as outlined in this new order. We started last week with all impacted classes. We will continue with this option moving forward should your child test positive or be exposed to a student in their classroom that tests positive. You can read more information about this decision [in the letter provided by Superintendent Dr. Drati from last week](#).

Webster will implement the following procedure moving forward if your child tests positive or is exposed to a positive student in their classroom.

- You will be informed if your child tests positive by both Malibu Medical and the Webster nurse.
- You will be informed by Webster school if your child was exposed to a positive student in their classroom.
- Vaccinated students may remain attending school in-person.





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- Unvaccinated students will be quarantined and provided *limited* zoom instruction during their quarantine period by their classroom teacher.
- Unvaccinated students will be quarantined for 10 Days or 5 Days if Negative Antigen Test on Day 5 and no symptoms and fever free for 24 hours to return on Day 6 (requires Nurse Clearance). Day 0 is the Date of the Positive Test. A negative antigen test allows your child to reduce their isolation/quarantine to 5 days with re-admittance to school on Day 6 (or the next school day if day 6 is the weekend).
- In support of this new protocol, we will supply any **exposed student** an antigen test kit for students experiencing **NO SYMPTOMS**. Please administer this test at home and bring a hard copy, timestamped photograph of the negative test to school.
- If parents do not provide a negative antigen test, unvaccinated children will remain on their 10 day quarantine.
- Zoom instruction will be provided to students who elect to remain in quarantine the full 10 days.
- If your child was not exposed to the positive student in their class, (i.e. they were absent) there is no need to take an antigen test, they will remain in school.

Given the developing circumstances with Omicron, I welcome families to contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns. I know this is a lot of information to digest. I will guide impacted families every step of the way, and provide clear instructions. Please know that we have been successful in preventing the spread of the virus at school since April of last school year. We are confident that the measures we have in place will allow us to continue to operate safely and productively.

- ***If possible, please send your child to school wearing a KN95 mask*** (or double-mask).
- ***Dress your child in warm clothing as doors and windows will be open*** and some instruction may occur outside.
- ***Please do not send your child to school if they are experiencing any symptoms whatsoever.*** Students who experience symptoms at school will be asked to visit the health office immediately. At this point, families will be asked to pick their child up.
- We will continue with our regular PCR testing on Monday, Jan. 10th at Webster. **If your child is absent from school on Monday, 1/3/22 you are REQUIRED to provide proof of a negative PCR test upon return to school. Please email the results to our Webster Nurse: Helia Dabiran-Zohori @hdabiranzohori@smmusd.org.**



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- We at Webster School continue to strive to keep all of our students and staff healthy and safe as we navigate the latest phase of the COVID-19 pandemic. To help us in this effort and to minimize any potential student or class quarantine we are asking you to provide us with your child's proof of COVID vaccination by emailing proof of vaccination to the Webster health office team. *All vaccination information will be cross-referenced with the State of California's information registry (CAIR) by our health office staff. Please email:
 - **Nurse:** Helia Dabiran-Zohori @ hdabiranzohori@smmusd.org
 - **Health Office: Assistant:** Yoliee Hernandez @ yhernandez@smmusd.org

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students safe while in-person learning.

In partnership,

Principal Daruty

THIS WEEK:

MONDAY 1/10

REGULAR COVID PCR TESTING every MONDAY: For those participating in free, on site testing each Monday, please speak positively about testing. Test results are received within 48 hours. You will only be notified if your child tests positive for COVID-19. The testing is intended to keep our community safe by identifying students and staff who are COVID-positive. Thank you to everyone for either 1) registering to test every Monday or 2) electing to submit outside PCR tests each week. Regular testing by all staff and students is required to attend school in -person. If you are not registered to test for free, at school, please submit your child's negative PCR test results by **Monday morning at 8:00 a.m.** If we do not have your child's negative results, they will not be able to attend school. The test should be dated between Tuesday and Sunday of each week. **USE THIS SURVEY TO SUBMIT AN OUTSIDE PCR TEST:** <https://forms.gle/QgH6cHcyYkGCpRe9>.

TUESDAY 1/11

4th/5th grade math club. Reminder: Please be advised that we do not open the gates to allow students in until 7:45 a.m. Please stay with your children and do not drop your children off early, as there is no one to supervise them before school. Thank you for helping us keep our students safe!





Monday 1/17

- **NO SCHOOL: MLK Holiday**

SCHOOL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

LOWER PARKING LOT: Parents MAY NOT USE the bus lane to drop off their children. This area is for the bus only. Please park in a spot and walk your children to the gate. We will place cones to block the traffic, please help us keep our students safe.

ADULT MASKING: Please do your part to follow our district's masking policy. All students, parents and staff must be masked when on school premises, regardless of whether outdoors or your vaccination status. We ask that you model this policy for our students and support keeping our students safe and in school. **This includes during drop-off and pick-up when you may be near other children.**

CHARACTER COUNTS ASSEMBLIES: Once a month we will host a school-wide assembly to honor individual, Webster Whales for demonstrating outstanding character! The Six Pillars of Character are the core ethical values of the CHARACTER COUNTS program we use at Webster Elementary. The Six Pillars of Character are trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. Each of the Six Pillars of Character help instill a positive school climate and a culture of kindness, making Webster School a safe environment for students to learn. While we encourage these values in all of our students, these assemblies will honor students who have gone above and beyond. The school-wide awards assembly will be held outdoors on our blacktop. If your child has been selected to receive this award you will be emailed by Principal Daruty. Awardees are nominated by a Webster staff member and will not know they are receiving an award. We would like to keep this a surprise. The exciting details about their selection will be shared at the ceremony.

SCHOOL SAFETY: In light of the tragedy at the high school in Michigan there is no time like the present to remind students, and parents: "If you SEE something, SAY something."

There are warning signs before an act of targeted school violence occurs.

In all incidents of targeted school violence—100 percent—there were warning signs that caused others to be concerned. In 77 percent of incidents, other people were aware of the shooter's plans in advance.⁵



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It is a wonderful reminder to inform you that students and parents can and should report concerns using **WE TIP. 1-800-78-CRIME**. It is an excellent anonymous platform for parents and students to report their concerns. **We Tip [parent letter in English](#) We Tip [parent letter in Spanish](#)**

We Tip can be used to report:

- Bullying/ Threats
- Property Destruction
- Violent Crimes
- Unsafe Conditions/ Safety Violations
- Workers Compensation/ Insurance Fraud
- Drugs/ Illegal Substance/ Alcohol Abuse
- Theft/ Robbery/ Burglary
- Discrimination/ Harassment
- Arson/ Terrorism/ Bombs

[Annual 5th grade Contest](#) Malibu Women's Club Malibu Woman's Club was established over 60 years ago with its Mission Statement "Nurturing Leaders of Tomorrow." We provide awards and scholarships to deserving students and promote and reward academic achievement and creativity. We are notifying you early to allow ample time for your students to plan a creative way to address the 2022 challenge:

**"CREATE A WATER CONSERVATION CAMPAIGN
USING AN ORIGINAL LOGO"**

Our prompt aligns with the California 5th Grade standards for English Language Arts, Science, and Visual and Performing Arts and gives students broad choices in which to express their ideas. The results will be different, depending on each student's focus and experience. As ever we want the children's unique work, not the work of parents or friends, with one exception: if the student needs help recording a video, a family member may assist. Please submit work and this [Permission Slip](#) to your teacher. Do not attempt to request access to the permission slip. You must download the permission slip and print it out for submission.

Calendar of Events

[SMMUSD 21-22 Calendar](#)

Tues.	1/11	4th and 5th Math Club @ 7:50 a.m.
Mon.	1/17	Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday: NO SCHOOL
Tues.	1/25	PTA Exec Board Mtg @ 3:30 p.m.





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Thurs.	1/27	Transitional/Kindergarten Roundup @9:00 a.m. (NEW TIME) and it will be VIA ZOOM
Tues	2/7	General PTA Mtg @3:30 p.m.
Tues	2/22	PTA Exec Board Mtg @ 3:30 p.m.
Wed.	02/23	City of Malibu sponsored family Hike @ 5:15pm
Mon.	2/21	President's Day: No School
Mon.	4/4-4/15	Spring Break: No school
Mon.	5/30	Memorial Day: No school
Wed.	6/8	Minimum Day (Preschool-K 12:30 dismissal/ 1st -5th @1:15 p.m.)
Thurs.	6/9	Last Day of school: Minimum Day (Preschool-K 12:30 dismissal/ 1st -5th @1:15 p.m.)

COMMUNITY NEWS

LA Metro's Fareless System Initiative (FSI) is a pilot program offering free public transit rides for K-12 students. Through this program, SMMUSD purchased TAP cards for every K-12 student (TK not included). Students can use these TAP cards for free, unlimited rides on all Metro services and participating transit agencies during the week, after school, and on the weekends through June 30, 2022. **TAP cards and informational flyers will be SENT HOME with your child.** For more information and FAQs, visit <https://www.metro.net/riding/fares/students-k-12/gopass/>

Participating transit agencies that students can ride for free include:

- Santa Monica Big Blue Bus
- LA Metro
- Culver CityBus
- City of Commerce
- LADOT Dash
- Montebello Bus
- Norwalk Transit

Organic WasteRecycling is coming to [Malibu learn more about it HERE](#). As they work on outreach for SB 1383, you should visit the [organics webpage](#) for additional information and resources. You can sign up for Malibu [Environmental Programs](#) or [Environmental Calendar](#) messages through the City's Notify Me system and follow us on [Facebook](#), Twitter [@MalibuEnviroDpt](#), or Instagram [KeepItCleanMalibu](#).

K-12 Coastal Art and Poetry Contest

- California students in kindergarten through 12th grade are invited to submit artwork or poetry with a California coastal or marine theme to the Coastal Art & Poetry Contest. Entries can be submitted online until midnight **January 31st, 2022**.



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- For rules, contest flier, entry form (and helpful links for teachers and students), please visit www.coastal.ca.gov/art-poetry. The instructions, flier, and entry form are also available in [Spanish](#). (If you need the flier emailed instead, please let me know.) Alternatives to online entry are available if needed.
- Up to ten winners will be selected to win \$100 gift certificates to an art supply store (for artists) or bookstore (for poets). Each winner's sponsoring teacher will receive a \$50 gift certificate for educational supplies, courtesy of [Acorn Naturalists](#). Students may have their work featured on Commission web pages and materials, and winners and honorable mentions will be exhibited throughout the state, as conditions allow.



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2022 MALIBU LITTLE LEAGUE



Register now online @ malibulittleleague.org
Registration opens November 9th, 2021

- AA, AAA and Majors will be \$350 (Includes \$25 in snack shack tickets)
- Tee Ball will be \$275 (Includes \$25 in snack shack tickets)
 - \$25 Sibling discount
- \$25 Early bird discount through November 30th, 2021

Practices will start first week of February 2022
Season starts March 5th, 2022
Season Ends June 4th, 2022

Evaluations will be January 8th & 9th 2022
at Bluffs Park in Malibu

For questions regarding baseball please email - nshurgot@mac.com
For questions regarding softball please email - jenngriff18@gmail.com
Everyone is placed on a team



The City of Malibu Community Services Department launched the [#PlayLikeAGirlMalibu](#) campaign and invites individuals in the Malibu community to share their epic girls' sports moments by incorporating the hashtag into their online posts. Pre-registration is required at MalibuCity.org/Register. The campaign aims to encourage girls of all ages not only to participate in the City's wide offerings of youth sports classes, but to also provide a platform for girls' sports programs to be highlighted in the community. The Department's goal is to improve the representation of females in positions of leadership in sport and recreation. Additional **City of Malibu Events for children:**





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[Webster Elementary Family Hike](#)

[Girls Skateboarding Clinic](#)

Afterschool [Winter Programs](#)

[Winter Day Camps](#)

PTA INFORMATION:

PARENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Would you like to help us share your parent perspective during our [Prospective Parent Tours](#)? We need your help. Ms. Daruty will provide you with a “cheat sheet” about specifics. So you’ll be prepared for any question. Please consider volunteering to be a Parent Ambassador! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050c4caeac2fa5fc1-campus>

THANK YOU TO OUR 2021 Whale Fund Donors:

Al-Hardan Family, Abeyta Family, Anderson Family, Bator Family, Bauer Family, Begin Family, Behzaki Family, Berman Family, Board Family, Bogart Family, Bolan Family, Braun Family, Brisinger Family, Buchanan Family, Buckman Family, Bunn Family, Emily Butler, Butler Bell Family, Carlsen Family, Carpenter Family, Castro Family, Childress Family, Clarkson Family, Cohen Family, Dempsey Family, Diana Family, Diener Family, Donovan Family, Earnest Family, Ebeling Family, Eggers Family, Epstein Family, Ezra Family, Farrell Family, Firemark Family, Fisher Family, Flores Family, Garner Family, Geraghty Family, Goldberg Family, Goldshmidt Family, Green Family, Greenberg Family, Hahn Family, Hasselbring Family, Hudson Family, Ifft Family, Jackson Family, Jacobs Family, Jacobsen Family, Kamins Family, Karsh Family, Koneman Family, Lam Family, Lopez Family, Lugo Family, Luteman Family, Magid Family, Makabi Family, Mancuso Family, Marques Family, Michael Family, Patrick Miller, Miller-Jones Family, Mouton Family, Muchmore Family, Nieto/Wiechnik Family, Newman Family, Nordheimer Family, Orescan Family, Parris Family, Peak Family, Peters Family, Petersen-Goodnight Family, Reitter Family, Rickard Family, Riesgo-Guzman Family, Riggs Family, Sadigov Family, Seltzer Family, Semradek Family, Skelton Family, Sokoloff Family, Starr Family, Szabo Menichetti Family, Szczepanik Family, Tello Family, Tenzer Family, White Family, Wolfe Family

Room Sponsors

The Ifft Family, The Bush-Hahn & Earnest Families, Mrs. London’s 5th Grade Class, Biofield Tuning and Heath & Fitness by Mark Sainz, marksainz.com, The Begin Family, The Parris Family, The Ezra Family, Malibu Pacific Church, The Dunn Family, SweetBu Candy, The Donovan Family, The Sadigov Family, The Abeyta Family, The Bogart Family, The Marques Family, The Nabavi Family, The Luteman Family, The Lockton Family, The VandeVoort-McWhinnie Family, The Hudson Family, The Newman Family, The Karsh Family



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Please see all the important fundraising and children's events that are coming up! Webster is a great school but we cannot be an AMAZING school without Parent Involvement. Please [join the PTA](#) and please support the [Annual Giving Campaign](#). Membership is just \$15 and allows you to vote at meetings, but more importantly is a symbol of unity between teachers and parents. The Annual Giving Campaign website will show you where your voluntary donation goes. The services on this list are so important and allow our school to move from good to great. Thank you for your consideration! Lastly, the PTA website lists many local parent and child resources they have gathered. I cannot thank the PTA strongly enough. Our PTA is helping all of us stay connected and helping our school to be great.

For the latest PTA news from Webster, follow us on twitter, Facebook and Instagram @ptawebster.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU

Email: sebastianspiroglou@bgcmalibu.org

The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu aims to provide a fun, safe, and creative environment for all Malibu youth to thrive, find support through positive mentorship, develop important life skills, and receive social and emotional support. We are currently offering:

- **BGCM Programs Academic Year 2021-2022, ENROLL NOW at BGCMALIBU.ORG** BGCM is committed to providing a variety of activities geared towards fun, educational, and social experiences. Programs include: STEM based projects, arts & crafts, cooking/gardening, social emotional wellness, reading sessions with Malibu Library, and more!

- **City of Malibu Enrichment Programs**, For grades TK-5th, sessions offering science, karate, and yoga. Visit malibucity.org/register to register. Enrollment is open with classes beginning in January 2022. One-day workshops offering gardening and hip hop dance are available for free to BGCM members. Please contact Director of Elementary Programs sebastianspiroglou@bgcmalibu.org

- **Wellness Center & Social Support Offerings** The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center operates remotely and **also in-person** to provide no-cost social support & mental health counseling to all in the community. Visit <https://bgcmalibu.org/wellness-center/> to learn more or to request services for you/your child!

*To contact the Club please call 310-457-1400 (Admin) or 310-241-3675 (Programs) Email info@bgcmalibu.org For updates on Club news & events, subscribe to BGCM E-Newsletter [Here!](#)

Health and Safety Measures: Layers of Mitigation





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Check your email every night. Please check your email daily, including each night and each morning before coming to school, to see if a positive COVID-19 case has been identified in your child's class and if your child needs to follow the quarantine protocols. Sometimes we are informed of a positive case late at night, and we need to inform multiple families as quickly as possible that their child needs to be quarantined. If a positive case is identified in your child's class, please know that district nursing staff will follow up with you as part of contact tracing.

LINTELO HEALTH SCREENING TOOL - USE EVERY DAY. It is provided to SMMUSD through a company called Company Nurse. It is easy to use and it is now ready to use! If your account is on hold or you have questions about the app, please reach out to the school office!

Students can start now registering as users via the following link:
<https://smmusdstudentcovidscreen.lintelio.com/>

Staff can now start registering as users via the following link:
<https://smmusdStaffcovidscreen.lintelio.com>

District Covid Information Website: <https://www.smmusd.org/coronavirus>

Illness Reporting: If your child is ill, please take the following actions. Keep your child home, report the absence and symptoms to Health Office Specialist Yoliee Hernandez yhernandez@smmusd.org. Also please report the absence to Attendance Officer Michael Ward michaele.ward@smmusd.org

ADULT MASKING: Please do your part to follow our district's masking policy. All students, parents and staff must be masked when on school premises, regardless of whether outdoors or your vaccination status. We ask that you model this policy for our students and support keeping our students safe and in school.

The California Department of Public Health issued new [Guidance for K-12 Schools on July 12, 2021](#). The new guidance applies to the 2021-22 school year. Since the beginning of the pandemic, SMMUSD has implemented multiple layers of mitigation to protect our students and employees. We continuously





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update our health and safety measures based on guidelines from the California and Los Angeles County Public Health Departments.

Webster will continue with the following current health and safety protocols include:

- Masks and physical distancing according to Public Health guidelines.
- Daily health screening.
- Frequent hand washing.
- Cleaning and disinfecting protocols.
- MERV-13 and HEPA filters in all classrooms and workspaces.
- Regular weekly asymptomatic testing.
- Quarantine, isolation, contact tracing, and notification protocols.
- Masks continue to be required for all children and adults while indoors and outdoors, regardless of vaccination status.

OTHER INFORMATION

LUNCH MENU- There is a statewide food delay due to delivery team shortages which has impacted SMMUSD. Items are subject to change daily. Breakfast and lunch are free to all SMMUSD students. Free and Reduced-Price Meals for SMMUSD Students Notification: School Year 2021-22 [Link](#). Please know that all menu items are subject to change. Please plan accordingly.

TRANSPORTATION: School bus transportation will resume for the school year at limited capacity. Please apply for a bus pass NOW, to reserve your spot. <https://www.smmusd.org/domain/306>.

WEBSTER BELL SCHEDULE: Our school schedule is available for viewing at our website. Please click here to view the schedules. [Bell Schedule / Bell Schedule \(smmusd.org\)](#)

MINIMUM DAYS: Additional minimum days are: 3/31, 6/8 and 6/9.

EARLY RELEASE FRIDAYS: Every Friday, students in grades TK-5th are dismissed at 1:15 p.m. The remainder of the school day is for teacher and staff development meetings.

EMAIL, PHONE OR ADDRESS CHANGES-Please report any information changes to our school registrar, michaele.ward@smmusd.org, so she can update our Student Information Database, Aeries.

