



**John L. Webster Elementary School**

3602 Winter Canyon Road Malibu, CA 90265

**WEBSTER WEEKLY**

**Archived Webster Weekly Newsletters**

**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE- Feb 22, 2022**

Dear Webster Families,

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful long weekend. Today is 2/22/22. This is a fun mathematical rarity and a great opportunity to discuss how math shows up in our everyday lives. Palindromes are a fun way to talk about number patterns with your children.

Due to the holiday on Monday, we will have our weekly COVID testing on Wednesday, instead.

This Friday, Standards Based Report Cards will go home with your student. Please review the report and keep it for your records. Just return the envelope signed to your teacher. Teachers have spent considerable time preparing these reports to provide you with thoughtful feedback on your child's progress this year. Consider age appropriate ways to share the report with your child. Highlight their strengths and areas of growth with your child. Find something positive to celebrate and find something to work on. If you have questions about the marks, please read this [guide](#) and if you still have questions, please contact your child's teacher. We are happy to answer your questions.

In partnership,  
Principal Daruty

**THIS WEEK:**

**TUESDAY 2/22**

**Math Club** for 4th/5th grade @7:50 a.m.

**Lexia Lab** ( for invited students only) 8:00-8:30 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY 2/23**

**NEW DATE THIS WEEK due to Monday's holiday. REGULAR COVID PCR TESTING THIS WEEK.** Test results are received within 48 hours. You will be notified if your child tests positive for COVID-19.





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Topics include:

- What is Body Autonomy?
- Ideas for Empowering Your Child
- Risk Factors to be Aware Of

#### **THURSDAY 2/24**

**Lexia Lab** ( for invited students only) 8:00-8:30 a.m.

**School Site Council Meeting @ 3: 30 p.m.**

#### **FRIDAY 2/25**

**Character Counts Assembly @ 8: 30 a.m.** Invited parents will be notified individually. Once a month we will host a school-wide assembly to honor individual Webster Whales for demonstrating outstanding character! Our next Award Assembly will be held on February 25th @ 8:30 a.m. 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.

#### **SCHOOL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**SMMUSD is Enrolling for Preschool!** If you, or someone you know, has a child who is ready to begin a preschool experience, our SMMUSD preschools have something for everyone! We have part-day, full-day, and extended day options available and we have a wide variety of locations. If finances need to be considered, we also offer subsidized programming for qualifying families. For more information, please call (310) 399-5865 and ask to speak with a preschool staff member, or go to the following link for more information: [www.smmusd.org/cds](http://www.smmusd.org/cds).





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**5th grade Fitness Testing** - [Please read this memo](#). The Physical Fitness Test (PFT) is part of the state testing program. California has chosen the FITNESSGRAM® as the annual PFT for students in public schools. The FITNESSGRAM® is a comprehensive health-related fitness test developed by The Cooper Institute. All students in grades five, seven, and nine are tested.

The FITNESSGRAM® has five fitness areas:

- Aerobic Capacity
- Abdominal Strength and Endurance
- Trunk Extensor Strength and Flexibility
- Upper Body Strength and Endurance
- Flexibility

**4th and 5th Grade Music**- We are in the process of returning to pre COVID music sessions which will be twice ( rather than once) weekly. This is exciting news for our students as they grow their instrumental and vocal music knowledge. We are working out the logistics and room assignments and hope to resume lessons twice weekly in the next week or so.

**Good punctuality** is a habit of mind and it starts early in life. I am seeing a trend of students arriving after 8:30 a.m. and later. When students are late they miss valuable instructional time and it can be hard for them to transition to class. Of course, our students rely on their parents to help them be punctual. I am asking all parents to make a concerted effort to arrive on time! Plan ahead for traffic and drop-off delays. Work with your neighbors, and consider organizing a carpool! Thank you for your partnership.

**Ballet Folklórico Dance Classes Beginning Soon - New Later Hours** SMMUSD students in 3rd-5th grades will soon have the opportunity to take Ballet Folklórico Dance Classes beginning in late February/early March, 2022. If your child is in the SMMUSD, in grade 3 thru 5, you can sign up [here](#). Classes will be offered at: **Malibu Elementary**, 6955 Fernhill Dr, Malibu, Tuesday and Thursday, ~~2:50-4:20~~ 3:15 - 4:30 p.m. (two days a week) **Note:** Classes will take place at a given site only if enrollment/interest is high enough to warrant having the class at the site. [Link to Flyer](#) Registration link: [https://smapa.formstack.com/forms/folklorico\\_dance](https://smapa.formstack.com/forms/folklorico_dance)

**Coping with Stress, Burnout and Anxiety- [Feel free to explore a presentation](#)** for parents and caregivers prepared by Shuli Lotan, our district mental health coordinator. There is audio available with each slide by clicking on the speaker icon.

**PERSONALIZED EMERGENCY COMFORT KIT**





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As you know, one of our goals as a school is to create a safe and caring learning environment for all of our students. In order to ensure that all of our students feel safe and comforted should we have an emergency situation, we ask each family to fill out a Student Emergency Information Sheet and provide a Personalized Emergency Comfort Kit for their child. We usually ask for this in our First Day Packet, but upon inventory, we have noticed that many children have not brought this in yet. **Please return it with the following items:**

- Student Emergency Information Sheet
  - <https://www.smmusd.org/cms/lib/CA50000164/Centricity/Domain/390/EmergencyCard.pdf> (or pick up a hard copy in the office)
- Comforting note ([sample](#))
- Family photo

**Calendar of Events**

[SMMUSD 21-22 Calendar](#)

Tues	2/22	PTA Exec Board Mtg @ 3:30 p.m.
Tues.	2/22	4th and 5th Math Club @ 7:50 a.m.
Tues.	2/22	Lexia Lab from 8:00-8:30 ( for invited students only)
Thurs..	2/24	Lexia Lab from 8:00-8:30 ( for invited students only)
Wed.	02/23	<a href="#">City of Malibu sponsored family Hike</a> @ 5:15pm
Wed.	02/23	Body Autonomy: Parenting Workshop ( via Zoom) 5-6pm. <a href="#">Register here</a>
Thurs.	2/24	School Site Council Meeting @ 3: 30 p.m. <a href="#">zoom link agenda</a>
Fri.	2/25	NEW DATE: Report Cards go home.
Sat.	3/5	Beautification Day 9-12 p.m.
Sat.	3/12	Beautification Day 9-12 p.m.
Sat.	3/19	SMMUSD Stairway Concert. There will be one concert this year.
Tues.	3/22	Science Night with Pepperdine @6:00 p.m.
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.)
Tues.	6/7	5th Grade Culmination Ceremony @9:00 a.m.
Thurs.	6/9	Last Day of school: Minimum Day (Preschool-K 12:30 dismissal/ 1st -5th @1:15 p.m.)

**Health and Safety Measures: Layers of Mitigation**

Thank you for your continued support as we off-ramp some COVID-19 protocols. Last week we lifted the requirement to wear masks outdoors. Our teachers developed protocols for safely storing masks, and our students did a great job too. We discontinued the use of our pre screening app and temperature checks at the school entrance. Additionally, students no longer have restricted play zones at recess time. Thank you for sending healthy students to school! Spring Break may feel a long way off however, but we





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are already preparing for the possibility of a post Holiday COVID-19 surge. To this regard each student will bring home an at-home Antigen Test the day before Spring Break. Help your child take the test on the morning of Monday, April 18th and show the negative test result to the staff at the entry gate. Your child's proof of a negative antigen test will be their ticket to reenter campus. **Any student returning to school, regardless of vaccination status, must be free of any symptoms of illness. Please keep your student home if they are not well and alert the health office.**

**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.

The California Department of Public Health issued new [Guidance for K-12 Schools](#). 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 update our health and safety measures based on guidelines from the California and Los Angeles County Public Health Departments. [Exposure Management Plan Guidance TK-12 Schools Appendix T2 as of 1/18/2022](#)

Visit our **SMMUSD Covid Dashboard** that reflects all positive cases by site, updated weekly: [www.smmusd.org/Dashboard](http://www.smmusd.org/Dashboard) and the County of LA also has information you can find by school <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/education/index.htm>.

**Antigen Testing hubs:** In order to facilitate the shortened isolation of asymptomatic COVID-positive staff and students to return to school after day five of isolation, we are providing two antigen testing hubs for students and staff to access in order to get an antigen test on day five or later. Students and staff on isolation for a COVID infection must submit the antigen result from the hub testing via email to their school site nurses and await official clearance from the nurse to qualify for the shortened isolation. Antigen tests from a testing facility, medical clinic, or health care facility will also be accepted. Home tests will not be accepted. Hubs in Santa Monica and Malibu:

- Malibu Elementary School (for Malibu staff and students): Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.- 1:30p.m..  
Please do not enter the school office. Testing is in the parking lot. Registration is on-site.





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Masking:

- Staff: All staff will now be required to wear medical-grade masks (surgical or KN 95). The District is providing a supply of these masks.
- Students: The LACDPH highly recommends that all students do so as well, as these higher quality masks can greatly reduce risk of transmission. LACDPH masking information: [English](#) / [Spanish](#).
- Parents: 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.**

**Illness Reporting:** If your child is ill, please take the following actions. Keep your child home, report the absence and symptoms to our school nurse [hdabiranzohori@smmusd.org](mailto:hdabiranzohori@smmusd.org) Also please report the absence to Attendance Officer Michael Ward [michael.ward@smmusd.org](mailto:michael.ward@smmusd.org)

**PTA INFORMATION:**

We need your help! Please consider serving on the Webster PTA Executive Board next year! Contact us if you are interested in a leadership position responsible for planning important enrichment events and helping guide the future of Webster School. Thank you for your continued participation in keeping Webster School a vibrant and engaging place for learning and growing! Your partnership means everything!

**2021 Whale Fund Donors**

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### **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, The White Family

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

[The City's Spring 2022 Recreation Guide and City Newsletter](#) is available online at [MalibuCity.org/CommunityServices](https://MalibuCity.org/CommunityServices) and will be mailed to Malibu residents the week of February 6. The Guide features the City's many excellent programs and parks and includes informative articles and contact information for City departments and services. The City of Malibu Community Services Department spring program registration will open on Monday, February 14 at 8 AM online at [MalibuCity.org/Register](https://MalibuCity.org/Register) or in-person at Malibu Bluffs Park, 24250 Pacific Coast Highway. Using the QR code on the attached flyer, residents can find information for upcoming City programs offered from March through May. Programs include Chumash Day, Outdoor Recreation at Charmlee Wilderness Park, Parent and Me Programs, Youth and Middle School Sports Programs, Youth Enrichment Programs, Afterschool Programs in partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of Malibu and Spring Break Day Camps.





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**WATER IS LIFE STUDENT ART CONTEST-STUDENTS GRADES 3-12!** West Basin Municipal Water District's Water is Life Student Art Contest is open from now until Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. 3<sup>rd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students in the [West Basin service area](#) are eligible to participate in this program, where they can inspire their community to conserve water during this drought. This means that only our Malibu students are eligible to participate. Students that submit their artwork have the chance to win one of fifteen Apple iPads! All our contest information can be found on our website at [www.westbasin.org/waterislife](http://www.westbasin.org/waterislife) and the following resources are available to you all: [Guidelines and Entry Form \(English\)](#) [Guidelines and Entry Form \(Spanish\)](#) [Last Year's Winners](#)

**Organic Waste Recycling 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](#).

**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](http://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:**

[Webster Elementary Family Hike](#)

### **BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU**

Email: [sebastianspiroglou@bgcmalibu.org](mailto: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:

[Webster Information - Week of February 21, 2022](#)

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- BGCMB Programs Academic Year 2021-2022, [ENROLL NOW at BGCMBALIBU.ORG](https://bgcmalibu.org) BGCMB 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!
- Johnny Strange Legacy Inspire skate program is offering a new wave of skate classes running every Thursday starting Feb 24-March 31 from 3:15-5:15pm. Spaces are extremely limited. Learn more & register <https://conta.cc/3uUEZgi>
- 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!
- Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center is offering a one-time parenting workshop (online via Zoom) Wednesday, Feb 23 at 5-6pm. You will be given strategies on how to talk with your kids about appropriate vs inappropriate touch & what signs to look out for. *(There is no cost associated with joining this workshop. Open to all district parents. Parents of children of all ages & abilities are encouraged to join us).* Register at <https://bit.ly/BGCMBBodyAutonomy>  
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  - What is Body Autonomy?
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  - Risk Factors to be Aware Of
- City of Malibu Enrichment Programs, For grades TK-5th, sessions offering Soccer, Spanish, and Theater. Enrollment is open with classes beginning in April. Visit [malibucity.org/register](https://malibucity.org/register) to register.

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





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### **OTHER INFORMATION**

**Webster is looking for an Instructional Assistant-**

Do you enjoy supporting teachers as they deliver instruction to our students? Have you volunteered in classrooms and enjoyed your time? Consider applying for the position. We have a 3 hour position available. Please visit [HERE](#) to review qualifications and to apply.

**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-5<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:michaele.ward@smmusd.org), so she can update our Student Information Database, Aeries.

