



John L. Webster Elementary School

3602 Winter Canyon Road Malibu, CA 90265

WEBSTER WEEKLY

Archived Webster Weekly Newsletters

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE-May 31, 2022

Dear Webster Families,

It is hard to believe we only have 8 days of school left. What a remarkable year of learning and growing! As we close this year, I hope you reflect on all the ways your child has grown and reached the next milestone of their elementary education. Our students have spent this year learning their grade level academic standards, re-engaging with their classmates after two years of distance learning, developing their social-emotional skills and participating in project-based learning opportunities. We are so proud of our Webster scholars.

Congratulations to our culminating 5th graders. We look forward to celebrating their accomplishments at our ceremony on June 7th. Each 5th grader drew a self-portrait on a ceramic tile. The tiles were installed on campus this week. This tradition is one small way to remember their legacy at Webster.

Class placements for the 2022-23 school year are dependent on our final enrollment numbers. If you know of anyone planning on attending Webster for TK or Kinder in the fall, please have them enroll now! In early August you will receive an email with your child's class placement/teacher.

Please be sure to read through the Webster Weekly for some exciting events over the next two weeks, including **Field Day on June 8th** [VOLUNTEER TO HELP HERE](#) and [Spirit Week](#) during June 6th -9th.

Thank you parents, for your continued partnership with Webster school, we couldn't do this great work without you!

In partnership

Principal Daruty

THIS WEEK:

TUESDAY 5/31

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





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The originally planned **5th grade SMC dance performance** will not occur Tuesday. Instead, students will perform for parents and families at their culmination ceremony on 6/7.

PTA executive board meeting @3:30 p.m. and PTA general meeting at 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 6/1

(new date this week due to the Monday 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. The district has decided to continue testing at elementary sites until the last day of school. At Webster our last day of testing will be on Monday, 6/6.

THURSDAY 6/2

Lexia Lab (for invited students only) 8:00-8:30 a.m. This will be our last day of the LEXIA lab for the year.

SMC Dance 4th grade Hawaiian Dance Performance @9:30 a.m in the MPR. Parents are invited! If possible, please have students dress in colorful clothing or Hawaiian shirts on this day.

Earthquake Drill @ 1:20 p.m.

PTA Summer Social @ Strange:6:00-8:00PM Cost per Ticket: \$25

FRIDAY 6/3

Congratulations to our Principal of the Day Miss Ellie Epstein.

Early Release Friday TK-5th grades dismissed at 1:15 p.m.

Please check the Lost and Found.

BGCM Wellness Center, Kindness Matters Campaign to support our elementary aged students with their emotional and mental wellbeing in the month of May. Students created a class poster with a collection of Kind Moments written during the month of May. This week, all students will receive a popsicle party at lunch for participating.

SCHOOL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:



SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Report cards will be sent home with students on the last day of school. Please be sure you have returned all books to the library. Report cards will be held in the office until all book fines are paid. Please reach out to Ms. Monte should you have any questions. If you have a computer or hotspot at home please return that to school this week.

Breakfast is free and served 8:15 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. If you would like your child to have breakfast please be sure they arrive early. Ms. Neci will never turn a hungry student away, but your child will be marked late to class if they arrive after 8:30 a.m.

Fourth Grade Families: It's a Webster tradition for the 4th grade families to organize a brunch each year following the 5th grade graduation ceremony. Next year, ours will be the graduating class benefitting from this tradition, so let's pay it forward with a fabulous event. We are asking each 4th grade family to please consider making a \$25 donation (or whatever amount you can contribute) toward putting together this brunch. Your donation will help cover the cost of food, drinks, and decor. Details for the event are below.
Date: Tuesday, June 7th from Time: 10:30am Number of People: 200

Please donate by May 27th. Venmo @illyj. Please email me (ipoz4@yahoo.com) if you prefer to donate by cash or Zelle

Congratulations to our 2022-23 School Site Council Members! The (4) vacant, two-year seats for parents will go to: Sara Epstein, Chad Peters, Vicky Farrell, and Heather Pitz. We are excited to welcome you to this important committee. We are deeply appreciative of our outgoing members **Heather Campi, Wade Major, Norah Cohen and Lisa Kaseff**. We thank you for your two years of service and dedication.

We are excited to partner with **Santa Monica College Dance Academy** to offer our 5th grade students a theatrical theater program and we just added an opportunity for our 4th grade students to learn Hawaiian Dance. The classes will be held during school on Tuesday/Thursday mornings. The district organized this opportunity for all elementary 4th and 5th graders in place of the ballroom dancing ballroom program (due to earlier COVID restrictions). It sounds like an exciting opportunity to provide our students an extra special opportunity to move their bodies, share their talents and end the year with some extra fun. **Mark your calendar for two live performances, parents are invited!**

- ~~5th grade: May 31st~~ 8:45- 9:15 a.m. in the MPR **Now at the 6/7 culmination instead.**
- **4th Grade: June 2nd** 9:30- 10: 15 a.m. in the MPR





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GARDEN/COMPOSTING: We need your help! Are you interested in helping us provide organic coffee grounds and soiled barn hay to add to our compost? We could use these donations each week. Please let Ms. Daruty if you would like to help us! Next year we will have weekly sign-ups to support the donations. To help us keep the momentum going with students eager to compost and spend time in our garden, we have partnered with the BGCM. Webster classrooms will have an opportunity to work in our newly renovated garden. For the next few weeks, classes will grow vegetables and launch our plan to bring a **Regenerative Garden Program** to Webster. This will serve the growing vision of the Malibu community to start student-led local food production, as well as outdoor standards-aligned STEM education. vegetables.

IMPORTANT FIFTH GRADE INFORMATION: In order for us to confirm and schedule the activities planned for the 5th grade graduation, we really need donations! Please use the link below to donate and/or sponsor an activity. **To donate/sponsor:** <https://websterpta.com/store>. We are also starting on the 5th Grade Video & Yearbook Spotlight *now* and need your photos! Submit them here (with your name in the file):

- 5th Grader Baby Photo (1): <https://photos.app.goo.gl/6CPHjaZamVVACHRy6>
- 5th Grader Favorite Childhood Photo (1): <https://photos.app.goo.gl/shHHhrdQUBaJAHhT7>
- 5th Grader Older Webster Photos (up to 3 taken at Webster):
<https://photos.app.goo.gl/ex2yMr1dgt22b7BC8>

For more information about the 5th grade graduation plans including breakdown of estimated costs: <https://websterpta.com/5th-grade-graduation-1>. For any questions, you can contact Lindsay Dunn: Lindsay.Dunn@cnb.com. **Thank you to those who have contributed already and to our event & student sponsors:** Al-Hardan Family, Dunn Family, Ezra Family, Karsh Family, Marques Family, Melman-Nordheimer Family, Ransier Family,

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.





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Congratulations to our May Awardees: Giselle Lopez, Leonilla Reynlib, Anthony Behzadi, Jordyn Zimmerman, Christopher Flores and Elihu Castro-Mendoza.

Valet Parent Volunteer Opportunity- We are looking for some parent support with greeting our students and helping with the valet as they arrive and depart from school. If you would be interested in helping we would love to have you!

Morning Valet: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4CADA92AA6F58-webster>

Afternoon Valet: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4CADA92AA6F58-webster1>

Enrollment for 2022-23 Please take the time to complete your enrollment plans for next year. This will assist me in identifying teacher and student assignments for next year. Student enrollment numbers are the key factor in our planning and I have heard from $\frac{3}{4}$ of our community! Please take a moment to let us know if you plan to return to Webster for the 2022-23 school year. <https://forms.gle/BWDmHcTWXpaTzos7A>.

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.

Webster Class photographs are ready for viewing. All the new class group photos, as well as the 5th grade group photos and any new student portraits have been uploaded to the ordering gallery.





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- All packages are custom designed by you so you can order exactly what you want and not be held to a predetermined package. **If you want the group class picture, you need to add it to your order, it doesn't come automatically with your order.**
- Order single prints, digital jpeg downloads, print packages, or photo gifts, all are listed on the left of the ordering screen. Retouching options (teeth whitening, acne removal, glass glare removal) are available on prints as you check out.
- Digital jpeg files are \$35 each, and \$42 for a retouched jpeg file (retouching includes acne/blemish removal, teeth whitening and overall fine editing)
- There is also a discount deal for 8 jpegs for \$260.
- You have the ability to crop photos as you wish when checking out!

Please direct any ordering questions directly to Trish and not the school. Email any questions to: trish@trishalisonphotography.com. To view and purchase please visit: <https://trishalisonphotography.zenfolio.com/f569810484> enter CHILD'S LAST NAME when prompted for the keyword.

Calendar of Events

SMMUSD 21-22 Calendar

Mon.	5/30	Memorial Day: No school
Tues.	5/31	Lexia Lab from 8:00-8:30 (for invited students only)
Thurs.	6/2	Lexia Lab from 8:00-8:30 (for invited students only) THIS IS THE LAST DAY
Tues.	5/31	5th grade SMC Dance Performance @ 8:45- 9:15 a.m. in the MPR. Parents are invited!
Wed.	6/2	COVID Testing rescheduled due to the Monday holiday.
Thurs.	6/2	4th Grade SMC Dance Performance @9:30- 10: 15 a.m. in the MPR. Parents are invited!
Thurs.	6/3	PTA Summer Social @ Strange:6:00-8:00PM Cost per Ticket: \$25
Fri.	6/3	Graduating MHS students come to Webster @ 11:45 a.m.
Tues.	6/7	5th Grade Culmination Ceremony @9:00 a.m.
Wed.	6/8	5th Grade Beach Day @ 8:30- 1:00 p.m. Permission slip will be required.
Wed.	6/8	TK- 4th Field Day. Pizza lunch and DJ. Volunteer to help!
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.)

Health and Safety Measures: Layers of Mitigation

Due to the Memorial Day holiday on 5/31 testing will occur on Wednesday, June 2nd, instead. The last day of COVID testing for the 21-22 school year will be Monday June 6th.

Visit our **SMMUSD Covid Dashboard** that reflects all positive cases by site, updated weekly: 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>.





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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.

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 Also please report the absence to Attendance Officer Michael Ward michael.ward@smmusd.org

COMMUNITY NEWS

A new **Santa Monica College campus is coming to Malibu!** Read more about the plans and complete a survey to provide your input. SMC Malibu campus survey:

<https://www.smc.edu/news/2022/2022-04-26-smc-malibu-campus.php>

The City's Summer 2022 Recreation Guide and City Newsletter is available online at MalibuCity.org/CommunityServices and will be mailed to Malibu residents the week of May 2. The Guide features the City's many excellent programs and parks and includes informative articles and contact information for City departments and services. Residents can find information for upcoming Summer programs offered June through August, including CineMalibu Movies in the Park, Day Camps, Learn to Swim Lessons, Adult Softball League, Outdoor Recreation at Charmlee Wilderness Park, Parent and Me Programs, and Senior Programs. Registration for Summer Programs is now at MalibuCity.org/Register.





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Planet Bravo Camp is for rising 2nd-8th graders and runs 9am-3pm M-F in local schools near yours beginning in June. It's our 20th summer of this camp! The camp is an immersive version of your school's program with deep dive projects using professional software. The students fit about *25 weeks of a school year's tech class time in one week of camp*. We offer 18 courses; and with the exception of the "Get Coding" course, there is no overlap with the school year lessons. Parents of your school can use code [PBSCH50](#) for \$50 off their camp enrollment at www.planetbravo.com.

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. 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:**

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 Summer Programs June 20-Aug 5 ENROLL NOW at BGCMALIBU.ORG Located at Webster Elementary.** Camp Bu provides a fun, safe, creative environment for members to thrive! This summer program offers an educational and enriching experience full of adventure and excitement. Activities include: STEM based projects, arts & crafts, social emotional wellness, and more! [Learn more here.](#)





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- **BGCM Wellness Center Featured in Spectrum News 1, to watch click here**
<https://bit.ly/3GnWbi8>
- **Join our #BeBGCMKind Campaign!** Help BGCM bring awareness to mental health & wellness services during Mental Health Awareness month this May. [Learn more here!](#)
- **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, Click [Here!](#)

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- 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: 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.





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PTA INFORMATION:

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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

