



John L. Webster Elementary School

3602 Winter Canyon Road Malibu, CA 90265

Principal, Lila Daruty

## Webster Weekly 9-14-20

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Dear Webster Parents,

I hope you had a wonderful weekend. Please be mindful of outdoor air quality as you move through this week.

On Thursday you may have read [Superintendent Drati's message regarding Special Ed Services](#). If your child requires an initial or tri-annual assessment outlined in their IEP, our special education team will be reaching out soon, to coordinate your appointment and testing time. Malibu Elementary School was selected as the Malibu Pathway school for Special Education assessments that must be done in person.

As for reopening plans, there is no clear timeline. We are at the mercy of LACDPH and other guiding agencies. It's great to see the preparation and progress at all SMMUSD schools with regard to preparing to safely reopen! At Webster, we are cautiously excited to take our first step towards the total reopening our campus. For teachers and staff who are working on campus we have established safety and hygiene protocols. Thermal scanners were installed in our offices, staff are required to conduct a daily, wellness check and social distancing signage has been in placed in various locations throughout our campus. All three custodians are working daytime shifts as they disinfect high touch surfaces and communal spaces, twice daily. On Tuesday at our principals' meeting, I will spend the day with the superintendent and other district administrators exploring in greater depth all the steps towards reopening. Our CTA will have to agree to our reopening plan and we have to meet a list of [protocols](#) from LACDPH, that seems to grow longer every day. Current estimates are likely that we will continue in the Distance Learning format through this semester. It's unlikely that we will disrupt everyone by switching late in the semester to a hybrid model. I am not saying we are opening the doors soon, but I am assuring you that the district and I are learning and evaluating. In the meantime, thank you for doing your best to help our students learn from home.

As always, please contact me if you have any concerns, suggestions, or if your child experienced something great.

Your proud principal,  
Ms. Daruty

### THIS WEEK:

Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>

**Materials Pick-Up.** Some families have yet to pick-up their materials for this year or the bag of personal items left in your child's classroom from last year. Please come collect these items! Our auditorium will be left open to retrieve these items **EVERY Monday**, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Please wear a mask and enter by the side, auditorium door.

**3rd – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Virtual Back to School Music Night presentation.** Inside, you will find information and resources for your child in music this year, including materials they will





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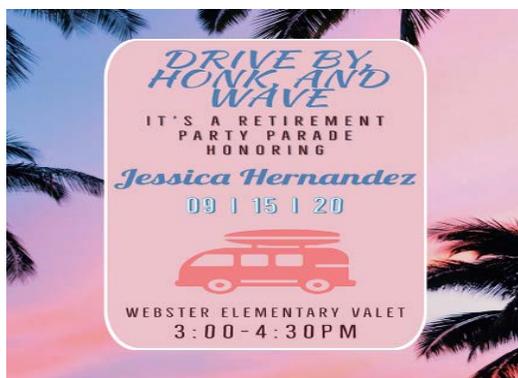
need, practice tips, and how to obtain an instrument. The entire presentation runs around 15 minutes and we highly encourage watching it in its entirety with your child. [Here is the link to view.](#)

**Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**

Power Hour "Homework Help" Provided by The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu @ 3:00 p.m.  
[Zoom Link](#) Passcode: 402635

**Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Mrs. Jessica Hernandez's Retirement Celebration @3:00-4:30 p.m.** This will be a drive-thru celebration at Webster school.



**Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**

Power Hour "Homework Help" Provided by The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu @ 3:00 p.m.  
[Zoom Link](#) Passcode: 402635

**Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Volunteer Training @ 3:00 p.m.**  
Additional Dates: 10/1  
[Zoom link](#) Meeting ID: 958 7153 8981 Passcode: WEBSTER

**Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Coffee with the Principal @ 10 a.m.**  
Additional dates: 10/2, 10/16, 10/30, 11/13, 12/11  
[Zoom Link](#) Meeting ID: 922 6974 6755 Passcode: WEBSTER

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Monday, September, 28<sup>th</sup>**

**NO SCHOOL/LOCAL HOLIDAY**

10/2, 10/16, 10/30

**Coffee with the Principal @ 10 a.m.** Additional dates: 11/13, 12/11

**10/1**

Volunteer Training @ 3:00 p.m.



SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



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11/4 -11/6

Parent Conferences and Minimum Day for Students

### **NEWS AND INFORMATION:**

**School Site Council:** The Webster Site Governance Council is a shared decision-making body created to maintain a formal and effective procedure for forming and implementing policies which promote the vision of the school and reflects the District's goals. The council is comprised of a mandated ratio of parents, teachers and other staff, as follows, all of whom have been elected to serve a 2-year term. Please consider getting involved, your voice is needed! We currently have parent seat vacancies. If you would be interested in joining please email principal Daruty [ldaruty@smmusd.org](mailto:ldaruty@smmusd.org) so your name can be included on the fall election ballot. For more information please visit: <https://www.smmusd.org/Page/196>

**Bilingual Community Liaison in Malibu-** I want to provide an update on our vacant bilingual community liaison position. Ms. Guadalupe Dixon Dixon, [ldixon@smmusd.org](mailto:ldixon@smmusd.org) has accepted the BCL assignment for Malibu. We look forward to meeting her and receiving support for our students and families. Thank you to Alex Aspron Ladesich, [aaspron@smmusd.org](mailto:aaspron@smmusd.org), for serving as a substitute in the position until Ms. Dixon begins on 9/21.

**LCAP Parent Advisory Committee:** The passage of the legislation implementing the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) establishes a role for parent advisory committees in the development of the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP). Webster needs a representative. District especially wants parents who speak more than one language at home. Are you interested? Please contact me at [ldaruty@smmusd.org](mailto:ldaruty@smmusd.org). (There are 3 meetings and each 2 hours long.) December 3, 2020/ February 11, 2021/April 29, 2021.

**Parent Volunteer Trainings:** Would you like to volunteer in your child's classroom? There will be opportunities for you to volunteer whether we are in person or in distance learning. This is a wonderful way to get involved in the Webster community. Level 1 clearance is valid for up to four years. If you have Level 1 clearance, you do not need to be trained until it expires. However, while in Distance Learning you will need to sign a Distance Learning [confidentiality agreement](#). You can start by reaching out to your teacher expressing interest in volunteering. If you are unsure when your clearance expires you can contact the office for your expiration date. Please submit the signed confidentiality form to [iterry@smmusd.org](mailto:iterry@smmusd.org) or [michaeleward@smmusd.org](mailto:michaeleward@smmusd.org). New parents must attend a volunteer training before they can begin volunteering. Please refer to the calendar for these training dates.

**WEBSTER LIBRARY:** We are excited to announce that Webster library books are available to be checked-out **once a week**. To see our current selection, please go to the [Webster Website](#). Select "Programs" and [E library](#). A list can be printed and emailed to our Elementary Library Coordinator, Ms. Peri Monte. Books are available for pick-up on Tuesdays and Fridays between 9-2:30 p.m. A labeled bag will be placed on a cart outside the school gates. Please drive-up using the curbside valet and retrieve your books. You may return books once a week on either Tuesday or Friday. Feel free to place your new list in your return bag. **Please do not return books on any other days than Tuesdays and Fridays between 9:00-2:30 p.m.** If you would like to look at your student's account to see which books you currently have checked out to your child, you must begin by creating an account. Please follow these steps.





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1. CREATE AN ACCOUNT
2. Type in your LAST name & barcode (ID#) then click NEXT
3. Username is your Google K12 email (Example: [psw@smmK12.org](mailto:psw@smmK12.org))
4. Password= Your school ID# (child's lunch number)
5. Confirm your password (ID#)
6. Email=Your Google K12 email
7. Save (write down password and email you used to log-in)
8. You should be able to log in on Follett Destiny from school or home!

**Webster OFFICE HOURS-** The school office is closed, except by appointment. We will answer phone calls between **9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. Monday- Thursday**. If you happen to get VM, all messages are sent to our emails. Please leave a message and it will be returned within 24 hours. Email is always the best way to reach the office!

[webstersupport@smmusd.org](mailto:webstersupport@smmusd.org) technical support (i.e. Passwords, usernames, Chromebook repair)

[michaele.ward@smmusd.org](mailto:michaele.ward@smmusd.org) for enrollment and attendance.

[iterry@smmusd.org](mailto:iterry@smmusd.org) for general office related questions.

[khouseman@smmusd.org](mailto:khouseman@smmusd.org) and [yhernandez@smmusd.org](mailto:yhernandez@smmusd.org) for health records, immunizations and health office questions.

#### **Annual Registration Documents 2020-2021 - Turn in Four (4) Forms**

(These documents are mandated by law to be given to all students before or during the first week of school.) The annual MANDATED SMMUSD registration documents are posted on our [Student Services Department Website](#). These documents are: Annual Notice Booklet, Annual Information BP packet, Student Accident and Health Insurance Forms, Lunch & Breakfast Information, Covered California Information, and the **four (4) Signature Pages**. Parents can read the documents, print out the **four (4) signature pages**, sign them, and scan/email/snail mail them back to our school office. Here is the link to the documents and **four (4) forms**: <https://www.smmusd.org/Registration>

It is mandatory that schools collect signatures from each student's parent/guardian for **FOUR (4)** items:

1. **Annual Notice Booklet**
2. **Annual Information Booklet**
3. **Technology Acceptable Use Policy**
4. **General Filming and Recording Release**

Webster Office staff will keep track of all four forms. Please send your **four (4) signature pages** to Michaele Ward at [michaele.ward@smmusd.org](mailto:michaele.ward@smmusd.org) by the end of the first week of school. Once Webster Office staff receives the signed forms back, the responses will be recorded **in our student information database** for the two areas below:

- Technology use (use internet release button) and
- Photo Release

#### **DISTANCE LEARNING INFORMATION:**





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Please take this short [SURVEY](#) to share how the Distance Learning Experience at Webster is going thus far.

[Webster Distance Learning Padlet](#) Includes additional resources and learning opportunities.

[Distance Learning Handbook](#): Please read and review the attached handbook.

**Technical Support:** I understand that technical issues can be frustrating for our families and kiddos. We are here to help. We just ask that you adhere to the following guidelines when reaching out for tech support.

1. Begin by emailing [webstersupport@smmusd.org](mailto:webstersupport@smmusd.org). for student technical support related issues. Please **DO NOT** cc your teacher, the office, and the principal. We will try and respond promptly if not addressing other tech user issues, while also supporting staff and taking care of daily technology task or unforeseen network issues. If you do not receive a response within 24 hours, then feel free to elevate your request to additional staff.
2. Be specific in your request. "It doesn't work" is not helpful. Instead, say things like the "student login account, zoom link, Internet, Chromebook settings do not work."
3. Name your student and teacher. We cannot help you if you say "my child can't log in" or the "Teacher didn't send code"(again, no name included, what teacher?)
4. Student SMMK12 accounts and default passwords can be provided. Please email [Webstersupport@smmusd.org](mailto:Webstersupport@smmusd.org).
5. We are unable to fix home Internet service connectivity issues but can try to assist or help parent troubleshoot. For those students that have District issued Hotspots they may also experience connectivity issues, these devices work off cellular towers so if they are in a remote area where cell use is spotty, most likely the device will not be useful to them.
6. Chromebooks/Hotspots: If your child needs a hotspot or Chromebook we will provide one. Please contact [webstersupport@smmusd.org](mailto:webstersupport@smmusd.org).

**Student Schedules:** Teachers will email the upcoming week's schedule to parent's sometime between Friday and Sunday before 5:00 p.m. Please take the time to review it. As we get into a rhythm, you will see that the schedule will be very similar each week. To assist your student with their schedule you may consider setting a timer so they know exactly when to join their zoom call.

**Small Groupings:** Students are thoughtfully placed in small, flexible, learning groups that honor each student's learning profile. It is an ongoing process which our teachers revisit often. We may build groups heterogeneously or homogeneously. Additional criteria used may include, assessment data, gender, academic ability level, behavior, peer interactions, English Language Learners, and students with special needs. We cannot add "home learning pod" to our criteria as it would compromise the integrity of the differentiated support we know ALL students deserve.

**Planet Bravo:** [Curriculum](#) The younger grades are still working on easily getting to the Planet Bravo Jump Page but that will get easier with each session. The topic for all grades this week was "online safety", with each grade level doing it a little differently. Parents can help by helping their child open the [Planet Bravo website](#) before computer class. Ms. A has noticed we are spending a lot of time trying to get all students to open it during class. Students can also bookmark the website as well to make it faster to get there each class session. Parents can also reach out to





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Planet Bravo for technical support. Please visit [www.planetbravo.com/assist](http://www.planetbravo.com/assist). The Planet Bravo team can provide you answers and support for your questions.

**PE and Planet Bravo Programming:** The Webster Distance Learning programming offers students afternoon learning opportunities that include PE and Planet Bravo enrichment. These courses are beyond the instructional minute requirements from the CDE during distance learning. But as school, we feel these opportunities provide students a well-rounded experience. Students in grades 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> will receive a participation grade in P.E. I strongly encourage your child to attend these courses and connect with their peers.

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Coastal Clean-up Day:** Coastal Clean-up Day has become a month-long event because of Covid 19. So, September is now Coastal Cleanup month! Since we can't all gather together on one day, instead you and your family can plan your own day and cleanup. You can make it officially known (and counted) by signing up here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/coastal-cleanup-month-tickets-116467051085>

**Meal service:** Children enrolled in any SMMUSD school or program can receive grab-and-go breakfast and lunch from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday at the following schools: Santa Monica High School, McKinley Elementary, Will Rogers Learning Community in Santa Monica and Webster Elementary in Malibu. SMMUSD families may go to any of these schools even if not enrolled there. All students under the age of 18 will be served. A parent or guardian must be present, except high school students may participate on their own.

**Visit the SMMUSD [Family Resources](#)** website that contains instructional materials by grade span in all core subjects that will continue to be updated with additional resources and materials to support parents who are supporting students at home during this extended closure. Visit the Distance Learning, Instructional Resources or Community Resource pages in the link above for important and helpful information.

**City of Malibu September Programs:** The City of Malibu, Community Services Department Fall 2020 programming will begin next week and will run on a month by month basis. The fall programs will consist of surf, sports, aquatics and enrichment classes for grades 6-12. Click here for more information: [Flyer 1](#) & [Flyer 2](#)

The goal of the program is to offer in-person, outdoor, active and engaging programs that promote physical activity for the families in the Malibu community. The City works with staff and instructors to make sure that the programs will follow the guidelines set by the LA County Public Health Department in order to safely hold the programs in-person.

Registration for the September programs began on Monday, August 24. The registration process will take place online at [MalibuCity.org/Register](http://MalibuCity.org/Register). The Community Services Department has been using social media as an outlet to provide virtual recreation information, updates, class information and registration information to the Malibu community. The Community Services Department is on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. You can visit our Virtual Recreation Center at [MalibuCity.org/VirtualRec](http://MalibuCity.org/VirtualRec). If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me at [afiori@malibucity.org](mailto:afiori@malibucity.org).

### **BGCM Wellness Center & Social Service Offerings:**





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### **Webster/Malibu Elementary**

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. This fall, we are offering:

Virtual "Power Hour" free homework help/tutoring

### **Power Hour "Homework Help" Provided by The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu**

### **Malibu Elementary & Webster Zoom Link (Tues/Thurs 3-4PM)**

<https://bgcmalibu.zoom.us/j/95808140175?pwd=MzhsQlR6MmNBaVN4cmdLNjByYzBCUT09> Passcode: 402635

**Allied Voices**, presented by SMMUSD in partnership with Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center, is a 4th-12th grade virtual workshop series designed to increase student's empathy and compassion for themselves and others. Students who participate in this 10-week program will explore racial identity development and learn what it means to be an ally. Groups are facilitated by licensed clinicians with Women of Color Therapy. Register by 9/18/20. [Virtual weekly workshops for 4th & 5th grade will be held on Mondays from 4-5pm. For more info & to register visit [www.alliedvoicesforchange.com](http://www.alliedvoicesforchange.com)] **Available to all Santa-Monica Malibu Unified students.**

**Enrichment Activities** in partnership with the City of Malibu, (for Grades K-5th) outdoor sports activities and enrichment camps will be offered Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 3:30-5PM. Stay tuned for more information on how to register, pricing, and location.

**Wellness Center & Social Support Offerings** The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center continues to operate remotely using Telehealth for online counseling sessions. We encourage families to utilize **Wellness Without Walls, Building Resilience in Our Community**, a program offering individual & family support services, which include: mental health counseling, crisis intervention, healthcare resources, workforce development, assistance for domestic abuse/violence, assistance with immigration challenges, ESL resources, and more to SMMUSD students and families. Please contact Director of Social Support Services, Peggy Zherdev [peggyzherdev@bgcmalibu.org](mailto:peggyzherdev@bgcmalibu.org) or visit [www.bgcmalibuwellness.org](http://www.bgcmalibuwellness.org) for more information. Wellness Center Main Line 310-457-6801 ext. 74141 Emergency Calls or Teen Text Line 310-691-6523

### **Wellness Center Referrals Made Easy**

Updated and easy to complete referral forms! Anyone can request services and or make a referral. Visit the Wellness Center website "Forms" section [www.bgcmalibuwellness.org/referral-form](http://www.bgcmalibuwellness.org/referral-form)





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**Malibu Chili Cook Off Skate Ramp is FOR SALE** Asking \$7k, ramp will go to highest bidder, please support BGCM! Tax receipt available. Please email for inquiry & ramp info.

\*To contact the Club please Email [info@bgcmalibu.org](mailto:info@bgcmalibu.org) Call 310-457-2582

**For updates on Club news & events, subscribe to BGCM E-Newsletter [Here!](#)**

#### **OTHER INFORMATION:**

**SMMUSD District Calendar:** The Revised 20-21 district calendar is available online. Please note start of school, end of school, and all holidays. Please plan vacations and absences of a personal nature around the school/district calendar.

**2020 Census:** All Californians can participate in the 2020 Census and make a difference today! There are four easy ways to fill out the form:

- Online at [my2020census.gov](http://my2020census.gov)
- By phone at 844-330-2020
- By mail if you received a paper form
- In person with an enumerator
- "Completing your 2020 Census questionnaire now will help California's students, families and communities for the next 10 years."

**New Student Enrollment:** Spread the word, we are enrolling NOW for the 2020-21 school year. It will be all done electronically. Please read the [Webster Enrollment Process](#) memo or reach out to Michael Ward, [michaele.ward@smmusd.org](mailto:michaele.ward@smmusd.org) for more information.

**District Announcements:** <https://app.peachjar.com/flyers/all/schools/58471>. SMMUSD posts information parents may find valuable on the WEBSTER homepage. Please use the link above to quickly access this page.

**Webster Weekly:** This will be sent out every Sunday night during the school year. The newsletters are archived on our website at: <https://www.smmusd.org/domain/2918>.

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

