



John L. Webster Elementary School

3602 Winter Canyon Road Malibu, CA 90265

Principal, Lila Daruty

Webster Weekly 9-21-20

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Dear Webster Parents,

Can you believe we are already one month into the 2020-21 school year? I am so thrilled to see that students are learning their routines and schedules and most importantly demonstrating online zoom etiquette. I see that our students have set-up their learning stations at home. I would love to receive a few photos of your child learning at home. Send me a photo! It is wonderful to know Webster Whales are committed to their learning online just as much as they would be in person. We miss them so much and cannot wait for us to return in person.

Just like our students, our parents, staff and teachers, are reinventing ways to keep our Webster community alive even at a distance. Last week, we started our Friday announcements and Best on The Beach Slip winners. Remember that **every Friday is School Spirit Day**. Have your children wear their Webster Wear! Twice weekly during PE your child can participate in a Webster Dance Party with Webster the Whale and a themed Simon Says or a Scavenger Hunt! All grades are encouraged to attend. Thursday, October 1st is our first STEAM Choice lesson. Students can participate in engaging lesson taught by our Webster teachers. The spirit behind these offerings are to continue the learning we began with the launch of our STEAM lab last year. Lessons will happen each Thursday from 12:30-1:00 p.m. Additional upcoming community events are Picture Day, family movie and bingo nights! Please come to this week's PTA meeting, Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. to see how you can get involved.

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

Your proud principal,
Ms. Daruty

THIS WEEK:

3rd – 5th 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 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 22nd

P.E. with Coach Daryl @ 2:00 p.m. Webster the Whale will join the Dance party!

Tuesday, September 22nd

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

Wednesday, September 23rd

Webster General PTA meeting @ 4:00 p.m. (Via zoom) link will be sent





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Thursday, September 24th

P.E. with Coach Daryl @ 2:00 p.m. Wear your favorite sport's team jersey! [Zoom link](#)

Thursday, September 24th

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

Monday, September, 28th

NO SCHOOL/LOCAL HOLIDAY

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, October 1st

STEAM Choice Thursdays @ 12:30 p.m. Your child will have an opportunity to select from a menu of STEAM lessons. The lessons will be taught by our very own Webster teachers. More information and links will be provided in your teacher's lesson plans for next week.

Thursday, October 1st

Volunteer Training @ 3:00 p.m.
[Zoom link](#) Meeting ID: 958 7153 8981 Passcode: WEBSTER

Friday, October 2nd

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

Tuesday, October 13th

School Site Council Meeting @ 3:00 p.m. [zoom link](#)

Thursday, October 15th

PTA Reflections Contest Deadline ([Details](#))

Tuesday, November 3rd

Parent Conferences: No school for students this day

Wed-Fri Nov. 4th -6th

Parent Conferences: Minimum Day for Students

Wednesday, November 11th

No School - Veterans' Day

Wednesday, November 25th

No School - Local Holiday

Thursday, November 26th

No School - Thanksgiving

Friday, November 27th

No School - Admissions Day Observed



SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



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NEWS AND INFORMATION:

PTA MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT: If you haven't already, please **create a Membership Toolkit account** to be included Webster's 2020-21 school directory. **To create an account**, visit <https://websterpta.membershiptoolkit.com/>. For blended families, please create a separate account for each household. If you already have an account, be sure to **update your contact information and your student's current grade level** by clicking on the MY ACCOUNT tab. And be sure to **subscribe to the PTA's weekly newsletter** here: https://websterpta.membershiptoolkit.com/user_subscriptions

Our school directory is conveniently accessible online at websterpta.membershiptoolkit.com/directory.

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 so your name can be included on the fall election ballot. For more information please visit: <https://www.smmusd.org/Page/196>. Elections for the 20-21 school year will be held via survey. This will be sent the week of Sept. 21st.

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 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, 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. (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 or 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





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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.

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)
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 technical support (i.e. Passwords, usernames, Chromebook repair)

michaele.ward@smmusd.org for enrollment and attendance.

iterry@smmusd.org for general office related questions.

khouseman@smmusd.org and 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**





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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 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:

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

Training Videos for parents/students:

- [Zoom tutorial for students](#)
- [Hub for the Back to Learning Conference](#) includes a training about SeeSaw and one for Google Classroom.

[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 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.
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.

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





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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 We are on week 4 of Unit one. Parents can help by helping their child open the Planet Bravo website before computer class. (www.planetbravo.com/mesweek) I have noticed we are spending a lot of time trying to get all students to open it during class. Students should bookmark the website.

P.E. with Coach Daryl: Please wear appropriate PE clothing for each PE session. You will be moving and exercising and we want you to be safe and comfortable. This week on Thursday we invite you to wear your favorite sports' team jersey!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Suicide Prevention: If you or someone you care about is in a crisis, call the Suicide Prevention Lifeline at (800) 273-8255 to talk with a caring, trained counselor. It is free, confidential, and available 24/7. The Lifeline is also available in Spanish at (888) 628-9454, through TTY (dial 711 then (800) 273-8255) or via online chat. [Flyer with resources.](#)

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](#)





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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. 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. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me at afiori@malibucity.org.

BGCM Wellness Center & Social Service Offerings:

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:

Power Hour "Homework Help" & Tutoring Malibu Elementary & Webster [Zoom Link](#) (Tues/Thurs 3-4PM)

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. Virtual weekly workshops for 4th & 5th grade will be held on Mondays from 4-5pm. For more info & to register visit www.alliedvoicesforchange.com **Program Starts 9/28 & is 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. Register [here](#).

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 visit www.bgcmalibuwellness.org for more information or view our brochure [here](#).





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Malibu Chili Cook Off Skate Ramp is FOR SALE PRICE REDUCTION Asking \$5k, ramp will go to highest bidder, please support BGCM! Tax receipt available. Please email for inquiry & ramp info.

Run Malibu & Support BGCM This years Malibu Half Marathon & 5K race is taking place virtually, and we are SO excited to continue partnering with this amazing community-driven event. Please click [here](#) to learn how you can join in & support BGCM!

*To contact the Club please Email 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
- 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 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 week 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.

