



John L. Webster Elementary School

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WEBSTER WEEKLY

Archived Webster Weekly Newsletters

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE- Oct 11, 2021

Dear Webster Families,

Tomorrow morning is **Make-up Picture Day** for any student who needs to take a photograph! Please let your teachers know that your child is taking a make-up photograph! We will take photographs between 9:00- 10:00 a.m.

Last week PTA launched the Reflections Program! Each year, over 300,000 students in Pre-K through Grade 12 create original works of art in response to a student-selected theme. This 50+ year-old program helps them explore their own thoughts, feelings and ideas, develop artistic literacy, increase confidence and find a love for learning that will help them become more successful in school and in life. The 2021–2022 Reflections theme is **I Will Change the World By...**Students submit their completed works of art in one or all of the available arts categories: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts. **Webster Deadline for Submissions:** All entries are due to Webster (leave with the office) by **Monday, October 25th at 3PM PST**. No exceptions. We've provided the maximum amount of time to allow for judging and submissions to the next round of judging. Visit (<https://websterpta.com/reflections-1>) for more information and email WebsterPTAmalibu@gmail.com with any questions!

Your proud principal,

Ms. Daruty

THIS WEEK:

MONDAY 10/11/21

Make-up Picture Day @ 9:00 a.m.

REGULAR COVID PCR TESTING every MONDAY: For those participating in free, on site testing each Monday, please speak positively about testing. [WATCH THIS SAMPLE VIDEO](#) of real Webster students testing. They share their thoughts on testing highlighting how safe and easy it is to test. 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





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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/QgH6cHhcYkGCpRe9>.

SATURDAY 10/16

WEBSTER BEAUTIFICATION DAY: Saturday 10/16 10-3 p.m. Please join Webster students, families and community partners, like the BGCM, Malibu Foundation in a special day to clean-up and beautify our campus. We need lots of volunteers to tidy up our wonderful school. Bring the family! All you need to participate is a mask and an attitude of service. As the date nears, PTA will send out specific communication. We will need support with projects from cleaning, sweeping, pulling weeds, dusting and organizing!

SCHOOL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Did you know that Webster has a student council? All 4th and 5th grader Webster students are invited to participate in this opportunity. Student council helps make important decisions, select spirit days, plan service projects and serve as the student leaders of our school. This year Mr. Kisskalt will lead our student council as the teacher leader.

Friday, we held student council elections! I am so proud of each and every one of our candidates who ran for election today. They gave heartfelt, funny and convincing speeches! Today ten, very brave, smart and responsible students demonstrated leadership and excellence. We hope that all 4th and 5th graders consider joining the student council membership at large.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2021-2022 STUDENT COUNCIL WINNERS:

President: Briggs Geraghty

Vice-President: Scarlett Dunn

Secretary: Clara Fisher

We look forward to your leadership, ideas and all the ways you will demonstrate trustworthiness, fairness, caring, responsibility, citizenship and respect; character traits we value at Webster school.

PICTURE DAY was a success! The Webster Elementary Portraits are ready! To view your child's proofs:

- Click here: <https://trishalisonphotography.zenfolio.com/f569810484>
- When prompted to enter **YOUR CHILD'S LAST NAME** for the "keyword"

Please Also Note:





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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 \$34 each, and \$41 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 \$250.
- You have the ability to crop photos as you wish when checking out!

Please direct any ordering questions directly to trish@trishalisonphotography.com

4th and 5th Grade Math Club: Does your child love math? Are they meeting or exceeding grade level standards in mathematics? Math club is an opportunity to build upon and extend the mathematical talent of your child in an exciting and engaging opportunity! We at Webster would like to offer every 4th and 5th grade student the opportunity to participate in Math Club, as it is an enriching and positive learning experience. We also have a fun Math Field Day on campus on March 11th to have a day of math adventures and celebrate their hard work!

- For 5th grade students Math Club will begin on Tuesday, October 19th at 7:50 am with Craig Foster. Math Club will run each Tuesday morning until March 1st. Room 4.
- For 4th grade students Math Club will begin on Tuesday, October 19th at 7:50 am with Mr. K. Math Club will run each Tuesday morning until March 1st. Room 17.
- **PLEASE RETURN YOUR INTEREST FORMS TO THE OFFICE by Oct. 15th!**

HALLOWEEN PARADE/TRUNK and TREAT: Friday 10/29. Thank you to our wonderful PTA for sponsoring a Halloween Parade and event for our students during school! On this Friday, students will be invited to wear their costumes to school. The event will include a Halloween parade to share their costumes, a special Trunk and Treat followed by a yummy pizza lunch. We are asking for two volunteers for each class to run the trunk n' treat. Given current COVID restrictions this event will not be open to parents. PTA will send out more details as the date nears. We need your support in donating your time, car and goodies for each classroom's trunk and treat!

We encourage everyone to have fun and be creative while still being safe, respectful and responsible. As a reminder regarding costumes:



SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Students may wear costumes that adhere to the following guidelines:

- o Nothing unduly revealing
- o Age/school inappropriate content
- o Be mindful to avoid costumes that may promote cultural *appropriation*. At Webster we celebrate diversity and are protective and respectful of all cultures.
- o Masks or face coverings can only be worn during the parade and NOT during the school day.
- o Face paint is allowed.
- o No toy weapons or props that may be used as weapons are allowed.
- o Please avoid oversized or inflatable costumes that may make navigating the classroom and school day a challenge.

****Students not dressed appropriately may be provided with loaner clothing or we will request parents to bring more appropriate clothing.***

WEBSTER WEAR FRIDAYS- Encourage your child to wear their Webster Wear every Friday! The classroom with the most students wearing Webster Wear will care for *Webster the Whale* in their classroom. Congratulations to **room 8**, who won this week!

VOLUNTEERS: At this time we are not allowing parent volunteers. Once we are able to get several weeks of testing for our staff and students under our belt and ensure that all staff are vaccinated by the Oct. 1st deadline, we will slowly begin to allow vaccinated, parent volunteers on campus. We are hopeful to allow parent volunteers near the end of October. Our first volunteer opportunity will be to assist with the annual Halloween Parade on Friday, October 29th. This involves attendance at a volunteer training (every four years), and a valid TB test or waiver, and proof of vaccination. Please contact the office if you are unsure of your status. Please plan on attending if you would like to volunteer in your child's classroom, for field trips or special events once we are permitting volunteers. We love and need volunteers at Webster!

10/18 @3:30 p.m.[via zoom](#) Meeting ID: 740 600 0734 Passcode: WHALES

NEWLY ADDED DATE 10/22 @10:00 a.m.[via zoom](#) Meeting ID: 740 600 0734 Passcode: WHALES

LUNCH MENU- August. 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.





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School Supplies for 2021-2022- Parents do not need to purchase basic supplies. Thanks to our PTA, each teacher has additional funds to purchase supplementary supplies. Again, parents do not have to provide basic supplies for their students.

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: 11/3, 11/4, 11/5, 12/17, 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.

Calendar of Events

[SMMUSD 21-22 Calendar](#)

Sat.	10/16	Webster Beautification Day @10:00-3:00 p.m.
Mon.	10/18	Volunteer Training @3:30 p.m. via zoom Meeting ID: 740 600 0734 Passcode: WHALES
Tues.	10/19	Math Club begins@ 7:50 a.m. 4th grade in room 17 / 5th grade in room 4
Fri.	10/22	Volunteer Training @10:00 a.m. via zoom Meeting ID: 740 600 0734 Passcode: WHALES
Fri.	10/22	Afternoon Family Math Event @ 1:30 p.m.
Fri.	10/29	School-Wide Halloween Parade and Trunk and Treat Event
Tues	11/2-11/5	Parent Teacher Conferences via zoom or in-person
Tues	11/02	No School / Parent Conference Day
Wed	11/03	Minimum Day / Parent Conferences Continue (Mini Day 4 of 10)
Thur	11/04	Minimum Day / Parent Conferences Continue (Mini Day 5 of 10)
Tues.	11/09	General PTA Meeting

COMMUNITY NEWS

Wellness Center Parenting Circle: Thursdays from 7-8 pm. (See attached flier) They will start with two separate groups by language and split parents of teens from parents of elementary-aged kids. We also want to include parents of children with behavioral challenges, neurodiversity, and learning disabilities.





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The groups will run weekly **through Dec 9th**. The flyer does require registration, so we know who is coming and how many to expect. Register here: <https://bit.ly/CirculodeApoyo>

[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**.
- For rules, contest flyer, entry form (and helpful links for teachers and students), please visit www.coastal.ca.gov/art-poetry. The instructions, flyer, and entry form are also available in [Spanish](#). (If you need the flyer 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.

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.

Health and Safety Measures: Layers of Mitigation

LINTELOO 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!

Steps to follow:

- All students and staff can start **NOW** by registering themselves. Click the links below to register and then scroll through to your location. If you are on a laptop, you need to hold the left mouse





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down while scrolling down. If you are on a cell phone it works easier because you just scroll to your location.

- The day after you register you will start receiving a screening link via email the very next morning after you registered at 5 am. The link will come from LINTELIO, so, please use the name Lintelio when discussing the new link with student, staff, and parent community. This link is unique to you and your name every day, and unique to that particular date so please only complete your link, for the current day, and don't share it with anyone else to complete.
- Click on the link you receive every morning at 5 am to complete the screening. You will need to show your green screen prior to entering any district facility. Your green screen will last for 15 hours.
- If you get a red screen STAY HOME and contact your administrator and/or school nurse for further instructions.
- If you receive a red screen, you will not be able to complete further screenings on subsequent days until a school nurse or administrator clears your hold in the system and allows you to screen again.

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 Michaele Ward michaele.ward@smmusd.org

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.

Masks: Masks should be clean and form fitting. Daily replacement or washing of masks is key to good health. Masks may be removed to eat or drink outdoors. Masks may also be removed briefly if breathing becomes difficult; in this case the student steps away and removes their mask with two hands





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a few inches from their face. Fresh child-sized masks are always available from staff. Masks with one-way valves, bandanas and gators are not permitted. Alternative protective strategies may be adopted to accommodate students who are on Individualized Education or 504 Plan. Please contact Ms. Daruty to discuss. Students who present appropriate documentation demonstrating a disability or condition that does not allow them to safely wear a mask can wear a face shield with drape. Students with documented conditions that do not accommodate the face shield and drape may request a reasonable accommodation from the school or district.

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 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.

PTA INFORMATION:

Thank you to those who participated in our Annual Whale Fund Drive! Webster families donated to help us raise \$75,362.81! These funds allow us to set a budget for upcoming events for our students! If you haven't donated, you can still do so throughout the year. Don't forget, we offer monthly plans in addition to one-time donations!

- Participation: 53%
- Funds Raised: \$75,362.81
- Average Donation per Student: \$787.21





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THANK YOU TO OUR 2021 Whale Fund Donors:

Al-Hardan Family, Abeyta Family, Bator Family, Bauer Family, Begin Family, Behzaki Family, Board Family, Bogart Family, Bolan Family, Braun Family, Buckman Family, Bunn Family, Emily Butler, Butler Bell Family, Carlsen Family, Carpenter Family, Childress Family, Clarkson Family, Cohen Family, Dempsey Family, Diana Family, Diener Family, Earnest Family, Ebeling Family, Eggers Family, Epstein Family, Ezra Family, Farrell Family, Fisher Family, Garnero Family, Geraghty Family, Goldberg Family, Goldshmidt Family, Hasselbring Family, Hudson Family, Ifft Family, Jackson Family, Jacobs Family, Jacobsen Family, Kamins Family, Karsh Family, Koneman Family, Lam Family, Lugo Family, Luteman Family, Magid Family, Makabi Family, Marques Family, Michael Family, Patrick Miller, Miller-Jones Family, Muchmore Family, Nieto/Wiechnik Family, Newman Family, Nordheimer Family, Orescan Family, Parris Family, Peak Family, Petersen-Goodnight Family, Riggs Family, Sadigov Family, Seltzer Family, Semradek Family, Skelton Family, Sokoloff Family, Starr Family, Szczepanik Family, Tenzer Family, Wolfe Family

Room Sponsors

Ifft Family

Also, last week we launched the Webster Water Bottle fundraiser - it will run 10/1-10/29.

- Parents will be able to order custom water bottles (or coffee tumblers) for \$35 (Webster will earn roughly \$17 per bottle sold).
- It's *engraved* with the Webster logo and they can add a name and a personalized message.
- They can either have them shipped to them (it's about \$8 in shipping) or the company will drop ship to us for free and we'll have them at the school for pickup by November 5th.

Here is the link in case anyone here wants to order in advance - I ordered and had it shipped to me and they're awesome. <https://www.studentbottles.com/79> Visit our PTA website <https://websterpta.com/>.

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.





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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:

· **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** We are seeking volunteers for the Malibu Half Marathon & 5K! November 13-14. Email ethanfarr@bgcmalibu.org

· **Run Malibu Nov 13-14. *Receive 20% OFF with code BGCM21MAL20.*** The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu continues to partner with the Malibu Half Marathon, 5K, and Kids' Fun Run taking place Nov 13 & 14! Grab your family & head to Zuma Beach for a fantastic community event bringing together anyone who loves to walk, run, or is seeking a new challenge and a positive experience for mind & body! Be sure to purchase a 'Charity Ticket' [here](#).

· **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!

· **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!

· **City of Malibu Enrichment Programs**, For grades TK-5th, sessions offering art/yoga. Visit malibucity.org/register to register. Tuesday November 9th for MES Wednesday November 10th for Webster.

*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!](#)

District Announcements

District Announcements: <https://app.peachjar.com/flyers/all/schools/58472/>. SMMUSD posts information parents may find valuable on the WEBSTER homepage. Please use the link above to quickly access this page.

