

A message from MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL

MONDAY MESSAGE: OCTOBER 19, 2020

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL: The first meeting of the Malibu Middle School Site Council will take place this Thursday, October 22nd at 3:00 pm. The School Site Council is a group of teachers, parents, students and staff who work together on long-range school improvement planning. Their goals are to ensure high academic performance of all students, implementing and monitoring the School Plan for Student Achievement and to serve as an open forum for discussion, planning and implementation regarding issues important to the Malibu Middle School community. Agenda, meeting dates, and zoom link will be available on the school website.

FREE ONLINE BOOK LIBRARY: We have subscribed to SORA, a free online book library. To be able to check out books there, please follow these directions:

1. Go to <https://soraapp.com/welcome/search>
2. Type in "Santa Monica " and then Santa Monica Malibu Unified School district will pop up.
3. Click on "This is my school."
4. Enter your id number.

MALIBU MIDDLE/HIGH OFFICE HOURS - The school office is closed, except for essential activities or by appointment. We will open for limited office hours primarily to answer phone calls between 9:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. Monday- Thursday and 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. on Friday. Email continues to be the best way to reach our school staff during this time of distance learning. All visitors to campus must sign-in, wear a mask, and will have their temperature taken upon arrival.

Questions about:

Student Store: mslawter@smmusd.org

Textbooks: s.ryan@smmusd.org and acrilley@smmusd.org

Schedule Changes: enickerson@smmusd.org

Copy of Schedule: sanderson@smmusd.org

Registration Packet: sanderson@smmusd.org

Enrollment: bsoloway@smmusd.org

General Questions: taniajolly@smmusd.org

Technical Support: mmssupport@smmusd.org

Zoom link issues: Email the teacher directly. [Staff Directory](#)

INFORMATION: For the most up-to-date information, please visit our school website at [Malibu Middle / Homepage](#) and follow us on Twitter [@MalibuMiddle](#)

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING: After school math and English tutoring are available virtually on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Here are the links and times:

MATH

- [Mondays: Cindy Smith 3-4pm](#)
- [Wednesdays: Brian Corrigan 3-4pm](#)
- [Thursdays: Nahla Seikali's Zoom Meeting 3-4pm](#)

ENGLISH

- [Wednesdays: Sarah Ryan 3-4pm](#)

LIBRARY HOURS: The library will be open **every Monday and Wednesday, 9:00-4:00** for students or parents to come get books or to exchange a non-working chromebook. Mrs. Ryan is also available by appointment (email at s.ryan@smmusd.org) and has online after school English tutoring on Wednesdays from 3-4 pm. Links to zooms are on Mrs. Ryan's Google Classroom page. Please join her Google Classroom with code: 5xza3io.

ISSUES WITH CHROMEBOOK? NEED A HOTSPOT?: If you are having issues with your district provided chromebook, please email: mmssupport@smmusd.org and s.ryan@smmusd.org. If the issue is that the device does not power on or charge, please follow the troubleshooting directions at this link: bit.ly/SMMDLP. District Staff will be in contact with you by email/over the phone for troubleshooting. Additional in-person support will be available as-needed. If your family is in need of a district provided hotspot for connectivity issues, please email: mmssupport@smmusd.org as soon as possible.

THIS WEEK AT MALIBU MIDDLE:

PTSA MEETING: The next general meeting of the PTSA will be **Thursday, October 22nd at 9 am**. The guest speaker is Estela De Wulf and the topic is **Tweens, Teens, Screens and Screams**. As screens become a major outlet for children in times of remote learning and social distancing, power struggles intensify at home as parents worry about moderation and children crave for independence and virtual social connection.

- Zoom link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84121440248?pwd=TER4NGRkWlpQSVo2UytGKzdmVGh2QT09>
- Meeting ID: 841 2144 0248
- Passcode: PTSA

UPCOMING EVENTS:

POMS MEETING: POMS is back! Please join us for our first POMS (parents of middle schoolers) meeting of the year on Friday, October 30th at 9:00 am. All middle school parents are invited to attend. These are informal meetings that give parents the chance to connect with our principal and school counselor as well as other middle school parents. This first meeting will focus on welcoming our new families and sharing out all of the great things we have going on at MMS. We hope to see you there! Zoom link: <https://smmk12.zoom.us/j/82748891470>

NOVEMBER HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

- Wednesday, November 11th – there will be no school in honor of Veteran’s Day. Periods 1/3/5, normally held on Wednesday, will be made up on Friday, November 13th.
- Thanksgiving Holiday – Wednesday, November 25th – Sunday, November 29th (return to school Monday, November 30th)

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

MALIBU WOMEN’S CLUB HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE: Save the date - Wednesday, November 16th – for the Malibu Women’s Club Holiday Boutique 2020. This is a fundraising event for MWC.

- Location: 24624 Blue Dane Lane, Malibu
- Time: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
- RSVP to linda.euler@gmail.com

SUBSCRIBE TO THE CURRENT NEWSLETTER: Malibu High School’s student newspaper *The Current* has gone digital! Subscribe to receive our weekly newsletter and read articles written by the students, for the students. Use this [link](#) to subscribe!

CANDIDATES FORUM: The Malibu Times in conjunction with the Malibu High and Middle School PTSA, are sponsoring a Candidates Forum with special guest Senator Henry Stern on Thursday, October 22nd at 6PM. This will be available to be viewed by all the Malibu community with participants being parents, administrators, and students of Malibu Middle/High, who will be involved in formulating and asking questions of our candidates. We also hope to have some guest dignitaries assisting as well. **This is a non-partisan and**

community driven forum with a focus on the future of our beloved Malibu. To register, and for more information, click [HERE](#).

MEAL PICK UP: SMMUSD has resumed providing grab-and-go breakfast and lunch Monday - Friday, excluding holidays. Service is from 7:30 - 9:30 a.m. at four schools: Santa Monica High School, McKinley Elementary, Will Rogers Learning Community in Santa Monica and Webster Elementary in Malibu. **This service is free for all students through the end of the semester.** Adults may purchase breakfast for \$2.75 or lunch for \$4.25. For more information, visit the [Nutrition Services website](#).

ADULT EDUCATION CENTER: Learn about all the different offerings available through the Adult Education Center [here](#).

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU AND THE WELLNESS CENTER:

Did you catch Boys & Girls Club of Malibu on Spectrum News 1 So Cal? Click [here](#) to watch.

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 virtual programs for teens to use as a social, developmental, and supplemental tool. Current virtual programs include:

- **"Power Hour" Free Homework Help/Tutoring (Tues/Thurs 2-3PM) Zoom**
Link <https://bgcmalibu.zoom.us/j/96705409501?pwd=eVozNzBhL2k4bmNRVTlwOEtMMmU1dz09> Passcode: 026892
- **Brent's Club** is an incentivized drug and alcohol prevention Club through weekly meetings, activities, challenges, and virtual "socials" to help teens live a healthy lifestyle. Email tylerhawkins@bgcmalibu.org for more information & Zoom info.
- **Leaders in Training (MHS) & Torch Club (MMS)** meet virtually to give students the opportunity to have fun, gain leadership skills, and serve the community while also gaining community service hours. Email ethanfarr@bgcmalibu.org for more information & Zoom info.
- **Wellness Center & Social Support Offerings** The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center continues to operate remotely to provide social support & counseling. We have further expanded our services. We are supporting: SMMUSD students, families, faculty/staff, seniors, labor workforce, and the community at large. Servicios disponibles en español. *All services are offered at no cost!* Please view our brochure [here](#). Call 310-457-6801 ext 74141 Email wellnessinfo@bgcmalibu.org
- **Run Malibu Virtual** This year's 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! The virtual race takes place Nov 7-8, be sure to join the BGCM team, [sign up](#) now!

*To contact the Club please Email info@bgcmalibu.org Please be advised our phone system is currently down. **For updates on Club news & events, subscribe to BGCM E-Newsletter [Here!](#)**