

A message from MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL

MONDAY MESSAGE: February 8, 2021

REMINDERS!

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12th is a **Student Work Day**
(Mandatory live check in with 1st period class.)

The rescheduled **MAKE UP PICTURE DAY** is
Friday, February 12th from 11 am – 3 pm

(See THIS WEEK AT MALIBU MIDDLE for details)

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

VALENTINE YEARBOOK CONTEST: For Valentine's day this year we want to hear about somebody or something you love and create a yearbook spread about it! It could be a photo of a loved one, a friend, a pet or even the thing you love to do most - anything that shows an expression of love... WRITE IT, DRAW IT, PAINT IT, or SHARE A PIC! The winner of the contest will get \$25 in SweetBu Bucks to spend at Malibu's very special candy store – Sweet Bu. All entries must be submitted by February 19th. Please email to taniajolly@smmusd.org

HEALTH SCREENING LINK: We ask that all staff, parents and students coming to campus utilize the health screening link to answer the health screening questions and show the green screen with the current date prior to entering campus. [Linked here are the directions for putting the screening link icon on your device and utilizing the link.](#) Please remember:

- DO NOT COME TO CAMPUS IF YOU ARE NOT FEELING WELL!
- DO NOT GATHER ON CAMPUS. MAINTAIN 6 FEET OF DISTANCE AT ALL TIMES!
- ALWAYS WEAR A MASK WHEN ON CAMPUS!

MIDDLE SCHOOL YEARBOOK: Order your Yearbooks now! There is probably a lot you'll want to forget about 2020 but remember the highlights with a 100+ page book of great MMS memories! Click [HERE](#) and order yours today!

8TH GRADE VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP: On Friday, February 26, our 8th graders will go on a virtual visit to The Holocaust Museum of Los Angeles. This is an annual field trip our 8th graders have

attended for many years. Due to Covid, the museum is closed for in person visits and they have created virtual experiences for schools. Mrs. Lapajne will be sending out more information through her class. For more information about the museum, visit <https://www.holocaustmuseumla.org/>. Please contact our school counselor, Mrs. Nickerson at enickerson@smmusd.org if you have any questions/concerns about your child attending this virtual field trip.

ISSUES WITH CHROMEBOOK?: Parents or students [MUST USE THIS LINK](#) and complete the Chromebook Incident Report in order to request Chromebook exchange or repair, and all defective parts must be turned in. If the issue is that the device does not power on or charge, please follow the troubleshooting directions at this link: bit.ly/SMMDLP. Questions? Please email: mmssupport@smmusd.org.

OUR LIBRARY HAS MOVED! INSTRUCTIONS FOR TEXTBOOKS: We are thrilled to announce the Malibu Middle/High School Library is in the process of moving into its home in the new Main Building! **If you need a textbook, please email Sarah Ryan at s.ryan@smmusd.org to make arrangements.** We cannot wait to share our new space with you!

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: msslawter@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](#)

THIS WEEK AT MALIBU MIDDLE:

NEXT ELAC MEETING: Our next ELAC meeting is this **Thursday, February 11th** at 6:00 pm. The agenda and zoom link will be available on the [MMS website](#).

STUDENT WORK DAY: Friday, February 12th will be a Student Work Day. Similar to the Fall, we are providing students with additional asynchronous work time and allowing opportunities for teachers to plan and grade. Students will have a mandatory live check-in from 9:00-9:25 with their period 1 class. Students will complete work from all 6 classes the remainder of the day. During the **9:00-9:25** sessions, students will participate in a schoolwide activity facilitated by their teacher. After that 25-minute session, the remainder of the day, the teachers will assign work/tasks/assignments for students to complete (totaling 240 minutes for each day) but no additional live sessions will occur and teacher availability will be limited. Students are expected to complete all assigned tasks. Attendance will be based off of their completion and submission of this work.

RESCHEDULED DATE - MAKE-UP PICTURE DAY: We appreciate everyone’s ongoing patience, support, and commitment this year. If your student was unable to come to our drive-thru picture days at the start of the school year, please make sure they come to our Make-Up Picture Day on Friday, February 12th from 11 am – 3 pm. **This is the last and final opportunity for students to get photos this year to be included in the yearbook.** Students also need to take a picture for their Student ID card.

All students/families also have the option of purchasing school pictures. Click [HERE](#) for the order form. (Also available under the “What’s Happening” tab on the school website.)

Due to the current safety measures in place, Make-up Picture Day needs to occur in a drive through, contactless, and physically distanced manner. Parents are expected to remain in their vehicles at all times, unless otherwise directed by school staff. Students will exit the vehicle to have a picture taken. When walking to and from the vehicle, students are expected to wear a mask. To ensure a limited number of people on campus, please come during your designated time slot based on your grade level and last name. Families with students in multiple grade levels, may attend as a group (Example: if you have a grade 7 and 10 student, you can come as a family at either the grade 7 or 10 time.)

GRADE LEVEL:	LAST NAME ALPHA:	TIME:
Grades 6 and 7	A-Z	11:00-12:00
Grades 8 and 9	A-Z	11:45-12:45
Grades 10 and 11	A-Z	12:45-1:30

Grade 12	A-Z	1:30-2:30
ALL grade levels unable to attend during assigned time	All grades, A-Z	2:30-3:00

Procedures:

Please be aware of the following:

- Do not come to school if you are sick, have been sick recently, or been in contact with someone who is sick.
- Be mindful of touching surfaces, wash your hands before and after your visit.
- Facial coverings to protect others are required.
- Students/parents are required to remain in their cars, until directed otherwise. At all other times, maintain 6 feet of physical distance from others at all times, no gathering or socializing.
- Please follow all directions from school staff. Please be patient, polite, and courteous as we work to ensure proper physical distancing.
- Enter from the main driveway between MHS and JCES site and proceed to the entrance of the high school quad near the security shed for check in. Proceed slowly through the high school quad to the designated drop off location near the new gym.
- Teachers and staff will not be on campus/available. Limited number of security and custodial staff will be on site to assist with picture day.
- Please have your order form and payment filled out/completed prior to arriving to school.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

NO SCHOOL: Malibu High School and all SMMUSD schools will be closed **Monday, February 15** in observance of President’s Day. As a result, Friday, February 19th will be a periods 1/3/5 day. Students will have periods 1/3/5 on Wednesday and Friday, and periods 2/4/6 on Tuesday and Thursday.

END OF GRADING PERIOD: Grading period 4 ends **Friday, February 19th**. Please remember, this first grading period will only reflect a handful of assignments so ensure that you are completing all tasks asked of you on time and to the best of your ability. Progress reports will be mailed the following week.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

SEWI WORKSHOP: Not sure how to talk with youth about the world right now? On Wednesday, February 10th from 10 – 11:30 am, join the Social and Emotional Wellness Initiative for a workshop on “How to Have Challenging Conversations with Youth.”

- Tips and trick on how to engage youth in challenging conversations.
- Feel more confident talking to the young people in your life.
- Create a supportive environment to help navigate this crazy time.
- Find ways to bring up what you’re worried about hi your kids’ lives.

Sign up at [SEWI.ORG/ONLINE](https://sewi.org/online). Open to all adults for a \$10 fee. Can’t make the date/time? Sign up and the recording will be emailed to you.

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:

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:

- **Announcing: THERE IS NO PLANet B. A Keystone Project facilitated through BGCM Programs, Leaders In Training & Torch Club.** Made possible by the Pacific Youth Foundation. For grades 6th-12th, this ongoing program focuses on mentorship, service to the community, personal development, and learning what it means to be a LEADER. We believe in committing to the well-being of the environment and respect for our planet! Participants are eligible for community service learning hours and will have access to the latest opportunities for service projects, scholarship opportunities, & more. Why Join?
 - Service Projects
 - Group Discussions
 - Fun Activities
 - Grassroots Activism

*Both Virtual & In-Person Service Opportunities Available.

Email ethanfarr@bgcmalibu.org to join.

- **Teen Support Group Facilitated by BGCM Wellness Center (Mondays at 5PM)** Drop-in virtual support group offering a safe space for teens, ages 14-18, to discuss the challenges of quarantine. Zoom ID: 889-136-8539
- **"Power Hour" Free Homework Help/Tutoring Zoom Link (Tues/Thurs 2-3PM)** <https://bgcmalibu.zoom.us/j/96705409501?pwd=eVozNzBhL2k4bmNRVTlwOCtMMmU1dz09> 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 info & Zoom info.

- **Wellness Center & Social Support Offerings** The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center operates remotely to provide no-cost social support & mental health counseling to all in the community. Check out our [Wellness Page](#) to learn more or to request services for you/your child!

*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!](#)**