

A message from MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL

## MONDAY MESSAGE: March 8, 2021

### SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

**“PAPER” – FREE 24/7 STUDENT TUTORING IN ANY SUBJECT:** Join us on Monday evening for a presentation regarding a new student support service provided by SMMUSD and Malibu MS/HS where student can receive tutoring in any subject 24/7 a week:

- Paper for Parents SMMUSD (English)  
When: Mon Mar 8, 2021 6pm – 6:30pm Pacific Time - Los Angeles  
[English: http://bit.ly/PaperWebinar-Eng](http://bit.ly/PaperWebinar-Eng)
- Paper for Parents SMMUSD (Espanol)  
When: Mon Mar 8, 2021 6:45pm – 7:15pm Pacific Time - Los Angeles  
[Spanish: http://bit.ly/PaperWebinarSpanish](http://bit.ly/PaperWebinarSpanish)

**MALIBU SHARKS SURF TEAM NEWS:** We had 9 Finalists in the Scholastic Surf Series Competition at Summers / Emma Woods Beach on February 27<sup>th</sup>! Congrats to the following Malibu Middle School team members who placed in the finals!

- Girls Shortboard - Scarlett Pool ~ 6th
- Girls Longboard - Allegra Barzan ~ 3<sup>rd</sup>, Camille Garvin ~ 5th
- Boys Shortboard - Alberto Barzan ~ 3<sup>rd</sup>, Milo Faure ~ 6th
- Boys Longboard - Brody Gourson ~ 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jaden Jaz Mitchell ~ 3<sup>rd</sup>, Calvin Petkus ~ 4th
- Bodyboard - Stevie Clarke ~ 2nd

**HELP SELECT THE MMS MASCOT:** UPDATE - Thank you to the tremendous number of you who already participated! If you haven't already, let your voice be heard and take the short, three question survey.

We need your help! Malibu Middle School is currently in the process of selecting a new mascot. To start this process, all of our students will begin a research project in which they will learn how to find a mascot that best represents our school's identity and history. One important aspect of this journey is to collect data from our community, students, and staff. Please take this [survey](#) to help us gather preliminary data regarding initial thoughts for our mascot. Keep in mind that sometime in April we will have a second survey as well. For more information about our search for the perfect mascot, please read this [article](#) that was published in The Current. Congratulations to Chloe Loquet (8th grader) for being our first Malibu Middle student to get their article published in The Current!

**ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK:** This year's yearbook will be unlike any other! Purchase a yearbook and have a record of how amazingly resilient our kids are. Yearbooks are on sale [HERE](#) and this year, unlike any other, dedication pages are open to ALL students. You get the chance to show how proud you are!

**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!

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

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

**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 powering on or charge, please follow the troubleshooting directions at this link: [bit.ly/SMMDLP](http://bit.ly/SMMDLP). Questions? Please email: [mmssupport@smmusd.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:msslawter@smmusd.org)

Textbooks: [s.ryan@smmusd.org](mailto:s.ryan@smmusd.org) and [acrilley@smmusd.org](mailto:acrilley@smmusd.org)

Schedule Changes: [enickerson@smmusd.org](mailto:enickerson@smmusd.org)

Copy of Schedule: [sanderson@smmusd.org](mailto:sanderson@smmusd.org)

Registration Packet: [sanderson@smmusd.org](mailto:sanderson@smmusd.org)  
Enrollment: [bsoloway@smmusd.org](mailto:bsoloway@smmusd.org)  
General Questions: [taniajolly@smmusd.org](mailto:taniajolly@smmusd.org)  
Technical Support: [mmssupport@smmusd.org](mailto: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:**

**REGULAR SCHEDULE:** We are on a regular school schedule this week - Periods 1 / 3 / 5 on Monday and Wednesday, Periods 2 / 4 / 6 on Tuesday and Thursday, all periods on Friday.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**STUDENT WORK DAYS:** Wednesday, March 17 will be a periods 1-6 day. Then, Thursday and Friday, March 18 and 19 will be Student Work Days. 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 2 class on Thursday and period 1 class on Friday. Students will complete work from periods 2/4/6 and period 1/3/5 classes. 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.

**SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL:** Our next School Site Council Meeting is Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm.

**SPRING BREAK:** Spring Break will take place from Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup> through Friday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. Classes resume Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **COMMUNITY RESOURCES:**

**OPEN MIND PROGRAM WITH JUDITH WARNER:** On Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM, join UCLA's Friends of the Semel Institute and Resnick Board for an Open Mind/#WOW program with Judith

Warner, New York Times best-selling author of the critically acclaimed new book *And Then They Stopped Talking to Me - Making Sense of Middle School*. Dr. Safiya Umoja Noble, Associate Professor at UCLA in the Department of Information Studies, will join Ms. Warner in a conversation about the effects of bullying, cyberbullying, "ghosting" and "cancel culture" on the mental health and wellbeing of teens. Registration is required for this FREE live private Zoom event. Register [HERE](#).

**“WATER IS LIFE” ART CONTEST:** SMMUSD’s water provider for Malibu, West Basin Municipal Water District, is hosting a “Water is Life Art Contest” open from now until Friday, March 19. Students submitting their artwork have the chance to win one of fifteen Apple iPads! Contest information can be found [HERE](#).

**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:

- **The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center Presents "How to get Through the Stress of Parenting in the Time of COVID, Part II: How Parent Self-Care Can Be Building Blocks for Resiliency"** A virtual webinar focused on: stress and long-term health outcomes, reflective parenting techniques for greater attunement and regulation, and using parent self-care as resiliency building blocks. **March 15th @ 6pm. [Register Here](#)**. In collaboration with SMMUSD & Family Service of Santa Monica. For info related to this workshop, please email Shuli Lotan, SMMUSD Mental Health Counseling Coordinator, at [slotan@smmusd.org](mailto:slotan@smmusd.org)
- **El Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Centro de Bienestar Presenta "Cómo superar el estrés de la crianza de los hijos en la época de COVID, Parte II: Cómo el autocuidado de los padres puede ser pilares para la resiliencia"** un webinar virtual centrado en: el estrés y los resultados de salud a largo plazo, técnicas de crianza reflexiva para una mayor sintonización y regulación, y el uso del autocuidado de los padres como desarrollo de la resiliencia. **10 de marzo a las 6pm. [Haga clic para registrarse](#)**. En colaboración con SMMUSD y servicios familiares de Santa Mónica. Para más información sobre este taller por favor comuníquese con la Dra. Freda Rossi, SMMUSD Coordinadora de Participación Familiar, al [frossi@smmusd.org](mailto:frossi@smmusd.org)
- **Virtual Homework Help through Power Hour** offering individualized tutoring and high-yield learning activities while encouraging members to become self-directed learners. Tues/Thurs 2-3 PM.

<https://bgcmalibu.zoom.us/j/96705409501?pwd=eVozNzBhL2k4bmNRVTlwOCtMMmU1dz09>  
Passcode: 026892

- **Leaders in Training (MHS) & Torch Club (MMS)** is an ongoing leadership program that focuses on mentorship, community service, and personal development. This peer-led leadership group is passionate about 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. Email [ethanfarr@bgcmalibu.org](mailto:ethanfarr@bgcmalibu.org) for more info & Zoom info.
- **Brent's Club** is an incentivized social-emotional wellness program focused on racial justice, youth advocacy, drug prevention, and building peer support by connecting with other Brent's Clubs and youth from diverse communities. Email [tylerhawkins@bgcmalibu.org](mailto:tylerhawkins@bgcmalibu.org) for more info & Zoom info.
- **Wellness Center & Social Support Offerings** The Wellness Center operates remotely to provide no-cost social support & mental health counseling to all in the community. Check out <https://bgcmalibu.org/wellness-center/> to learn more or to request services for you/your child!

\*To contact the Club please email [info@bgcmalibu.org](mailto:info@bgcmalibu.org)

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