

MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL

MONDAY MESSAGE

Monday, November 15, 2021

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

MEDIA USE AND SCREEN TIME IMPACT: Like many parents and educators, we are very concerned about the impact of exposure to media and screen time for children, particularly when the content is not developmentally appropriate. Our concern is heightened due to the increase in anxiety this causes for our students, particularly in light of our already anxiety-provoking world and times. Please hit link for more information and what you can do.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zE5j3QWMeNmwhT0O04R7U9mSgETtJ_n8fcjnERRP7uo/edit?usp=sharing

TICKETS ON SALE FOR EURYDICE!: The Malibu High Theater Department and Arts Angels present, EURYDICE. This year's Fall student production will be a streaming event on **Friday, November 19 and Saturday November 20**. You can purchase your tickets at www.malibu.smmusd.org. More info at: <https://www.smmusd.org/Page/1418>

PTSA RELECTIONS ARTS CONTEST AWARDS CEREMONY: The PTSA Reflections Arts Contest Awards Ceremony will take place via Zoom on Wednesday, November 17th at 2:40 pm. Information and the Zoom link will be sent to families of students who are being recognized.

MHS HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE: The MHS Holiday Boutique to benefit the Shark Fund will take place on **Thursday, November 18th from 8 am – 4 pm** on the Juan Cabrillo Campus. For more information and a list of vendors, click here:

<https://share.peachjar.com/flyers/2166063/schools/58470>

MIDDLE SCHOOL YEARBOOK: The Malibu Middle School Yearbook is now on sale. Please buy your student's yearbook now for the best pricing! Dedication pages are available online too.

- <http://yearbooks3.pixami.com/MalibuMid/home3/Bookstore.jsp>

You can also submit pictures:

- <https://spark.adobe.com/page/SLLj5LBWIIYL7/>

Questions? Contact Valerie Azarian: vazarian@smmusd.org

ARTS ANGELS NEWSLETTER: Please find the MMS/MHS Arts Angels November 2021 Newsletter link below:

- <https://mailchi.mp/760b88a2c661/november-2021-mmsmhs-arts-angels-newsletter>

PPBL PATHWAY - 8th Grade Parents- Are you interested in a Project Based Learning School for your child for High School? At Samohi's Personalized Project Based Learning (PPBL) pathway students create individualized learning plans through the lens of student interests, have professional industry internships to connect interests to fieldwork, and to build skills and a professional network. Students experience making prototypes and models to demonstrate learning. Students participate with Samohi friends in sports, clubs, social events, art and theater courses, languages and more! Students take SMC courses in high school and graduate with a Samohi diploma college and future ready. Join a PPBL Pathway Information Session on November 18th presented by Jessica Rishe, PPBL Principal; and Nicole Nicodemus, PPBL Assistant Principal. Learn more from currently enrolled students & their parents. Register in advance for this meeting here:

<https://smmk12.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAude-vqDliE9awqpBKz2V7ukOLp-YkvMeR>

AERIES PORTAL: Click [HERE](#) to link to a video presentation on how students can access the Aeries Portal and check their grades:

TOTALLY TUBULAR TUESDAY: Totally Tubular Tuesday is a free lunchtime activity hosted by the Boys and Girls Club of Malibu every other Tuesday. Come play fun games like 4-Square and Dodgeball and win exciting prizes, including gift cards! No Boys & Girls Club Membership is required. Just bring your lunch and check-in with BGCM staff to enter your name for prize eligibility. Meet us at the blacktop next to the P.E. area or at the Quad area next to the Library for select activities (*). Any questions can be sent to ethanfarr@bgcmalibu.org. See below for a full list of Totally Tubular Tuesday Activities:

- 11/16 - Basketball Freeplay
- 11/30 - Dodgeball
- 12/14 - Arts & Crafts*

VISITORS: The gates around campus are locked during the school day. All visitors during the school day must check in in the attendance office by entering our new AB buildings Main Entrance (Near Triangle Point). Due to screening/traffic, please do not attempt to park and resolve office business during pick up and drop off times.

TRAFFIC REMINDERS: Please help avoid a tragedy by driving safely in our school zone and obeying all traffic laws. Put your phone away, stay observant, and keep an eye out for our students, crossing guards, and school staff. Do not double park parking traffic lanes and do not make illegal U turns. To turn back to PCH, use the upper football field lot or pool lot for pick up, or turn around in the JCES traffic loop. **DROP OFF/PICK UP LOCATIONS:**

- Upper Football Field Lot: Middle School Student Pick Up and Drop Off

- Pool Lot/Middle Driveway: High School Student Pick Up and Drop Off, Middle School Alternate Pick Up
- Morning View Drive Lane: BUS DROP OFF ONLY, Alternate MHS/MMS Pick Up
- Morning View Lots: BUS PICK UP ONLY

THIS WEEK AT MALIBU MIDDLE:

SSC MEETING: The next MMS School Site Council meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, November 18th at 3:45 pm.** Zoom link and agenda will be available [HERE](#).

POMS: The next POMS (Parents of Middle Schoolers) meeting with Principal Andino and MMS Interim Counselor Ms. Wax will be **Friday, November 19th at 10 am** via Zoom. Come share ideas, address broad concerns, answer questions, give us suggestions, get to know other parents, talk about middle school development, clarify your thinking, share frustrations, laugh, have a casual, friendly conversation while you get to know us as well.

- Zoom link: <https://smmk12.zoom.us/j/87280310375>

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SAFETY DRILL: Our next Safety Drill (Shelter in Place) will take place on Tuesday, November 23rd.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY: The Thanksgiving Holiday Break is **Wednesday, November 24-Friday, November 26.** School resumes Monday, November 29th. School will be held as normal Monday and Tuesday, November 22 and 23 with a 3:35 dismissal each day.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB MALIBU (BGCM):

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

- **BGCM Programs Academic Year 2021-2022 [ENROLL NOW](#)**

at BGCMALIBU.ORG Available for incoming grades 6th-12th. Programs will include: service learning trips, field trips, social emotional wellness, arts & crafts, outdoor activities & more.

- **Mark Your Calendars!** Giving Tuesday is right around the corner. Consider participating in Giving Tuesday on November 30th! Visit bgcmalibu.org/donate to make a year-end tax deductible donation to the Boys & Girls Club of Malibu. Help BGCM continue to provide after school enrichment programs, mental health counseling, social support services, and MORE to the community! THANK YOU!
- **Totally Tubular Tuesday** is a free lunchtime activity hosted by BGCM every other Tuesday starting on 9/21. Join us to play fun games like 4-Square and Dodgeball and win exciting prizes, including gift cards! No Boys & Girls Club membership is required. Just bring your lunch and check-in with BGCM staff to enter your name for prize eligibility. For any questions, activity locations, and to receive the full list of Totally Tubular Tuesday Activities please email: ethanfarr@bgcmalibu.org
- **BGCM Wellness Center presents "Parenting Circle"**, a weekly workshop starting Oct 14. Taking place every Thursday from 7-8pm via zoom. [Register Here](#). Parents with children of all ages and abilities are encouraged to join us. Parents will gain support for:
 - Ideas on how to help their behavior improve at home/school
 - Learn about parenting styles that can help improve the relationship with your child
 - What it means to take care of yourself & be the best version of you around your childSi necesita el grupo en español, haga clic [aquí](#)
- **Mental Health Q&A Hosted by BGCM Wellness Center** Weekly on Wednesdays, this informal Q & A runs during lunch. BGCM Wellness Mental Health staff will be available to students between the grassy field and tables to answer any mental health-related questions or inquiries about requesting services or support, available at no cost to students & families! Encourage your teen to text their questions to (424) 209-4907 or stop by on Wednesday to submit their questions. All questions will be kept anonymous. Staff will post the questions and answers to this link by Friday evening weekly: <https://padlet.com/peggyzherdev/MentalHealthQandA>
- **Leaders in Training (MHS) & Torch Club (MMS)** is a 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, and more. Email ethanfarr@bgcmalibu.org for more 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 for more info.
- **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!

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!](#)

SMMUSD HEALTH AND SAFETY:

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