

MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL

MONDAY MESSAGE – November 20, 2023

This week's schedule:

Monday, November 20th – Regular Schedule

Tuesday, November 21st – Regular Schedule

Wednesday, November 22nd - Thanksgiving Holiday – School Closed

Thursday, November 23rd - Thanksgiving Holiday – School Closed

Friday, November 24th - Thanksgiving Holiday – School Closed

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

IRON GIRAFFE CHALLENGE: On Friday, November 17th the Malibu Middle School 6th Grade held their 3rd Annual Iron Giraffe Challenge. This challenge raises money for Water for South Sudan. This non-profit brings awareness to water scarcity around the work to help those in need of clean, accessible drinking water. Please consider helping us reach our fundraising goal of \$1,500 by donating [HERE](#).

LAST CHANCE! PARENT SURVEY: All MMS and MHS parents are being asked to complete the CA School Parent Survey **between now and November 21st**. This survey is an opportunity to communicate your perceptions about your child's school. The information you provide will help guide district and school efforts to promote safety, enhance learning supports, and improve student achievement. Your participation is voluntary. It is also very important.

MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL: [\(MEMO\): Direct Survey Link](#)

MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL: [\(MEMO\): Direct Survey Link](#)

ATHLETICS BOOSTER CLUB TREE LOT: It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! Support Malibu High School's Athletic Booster Club by purchasing your fresh tree, wreaths, ornaments, and MHS apparel at the annual Tree Lot. The MHS Booster Club Tree Lot is located at the Chili Cook Off Site near Webb Way and will be open November 25 - December 10. Hours are M – Th: 3 – 7 pm, F: 3 – 8 pm and Sat/Sun: 1 – 7 pm. Please share with your neighbors!

THE SHARK FUND STILL NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT: We have \$187,00 left to raise! If you haven't donated yet, please consider making a donation today - any amount counts and will help support the vibrant academic, arts and athletics community we enjoy at our schools. If you have donated, look into the company match program

with your employer. Visit [TheSharkFundMalibu.org](https://www.ralphps.com/account/communityrewards/) to donate, reach us or to find out more about this parent volunteer led fundraising organization at our schools. Also, if you haven't already, please designate Shark Fund as your charitable organization for your Ralph's Rewards Card and you'll support our schools every time you shop. Go to <https://www.ralphps.com/account/communityrewards/> and choose Shark Fund.

CAFETERIA INFORMATION: The breakfast and lunch cafeteria menus as well as service times can now be found under the Students Tab on our school website or by clicking here: [Breakfast and Lunch Menus](#)

YEARBOOK PICTURES: Attention Middle School Families! Please send any photos of middle school events and your children to our Middle School Yearbook Chair, Amber Vanderbilt, at amber.mmsyearbook@gmail.com If you can also help out with the yearbook please let her know. Thank you!

UPDATE EMERGENCY CONTACTS: Please go to your *Parent Portal in Aeries* and add at least two Emergency Contacts; these contacts should only be individuals to whom MMS staff can release your child(ren) during the school day or an emergency.

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING: After School Math Tutoring in the library is available from 2:45-3:45 on Monday and Wednesday with Mrs. Onesto.

THIS WEEK AT MMS:

SAFETY DRILL: Our next safety drill – Shelter in Place - will be held on Tuesday, November 21st.

TUESDAY IS A NORMAL DAY: MHS student dismissal is at 3:30pm on **Tuesday, November 21**. Monday and Tuesday are both Periods 1-6 traditional days.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY: All SMMUSD schools will be closed Wednesday, November 22nd through Friday, November 24th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

FINAL EXAMS/END OF GRADING PERIOD: Final exams and culminating tasks are scheduled for Wednesday, **December 20th (Periods 1 and 4)**, **Thursday, December 21st (Periods 2 and 5)** and **Friday, December 22nd (Periods 3 and 6)** with dismissal at 1:35pm **all 3 days**. There will not be early or late finals. All families are reminded to schedule personal trips around our school calendar and ensure students are in school daily.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

WINTER CONCERT SERIES: Our annual winter music concerts begin soon!

- November 30th – 7 PM - Orchestra
- December 7th – 7 PM - Band
- December 14th – 6 PM - Choir

COMMUNITY NIGHT AT THE TREE LOT: Join the MHS Choir, students, families, city council and others at the Annual Community Night at the Tree Lot! There will be hot cocoa/tea, food trucks, performances by the choir, ornament decorating and a chance to connect with neighbors and friends. Community Night at the Tree Lot is Friday, December 1 from 5:00-8:30 at the Chili Cook-Off site.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

SALVATION ANGEL TREE PROGRAM: The Salvation Army Angel Tree program helps provide Christmas gifts for hundreds of thousands of children around the country each year. Once a child or senior adult has been registered and accepted as an **Angel** their Christmas wish list is shared with donors in your community who purchase gifts of new clothing and toys. The gifts are distributed to the family to place under their family Christmas tree. For more info and to sign up: [flyer](#).

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU TEEN 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 programs for teens to use as a social, developmental, and supplemental tool. Current offerings include:

- **BGCM Membership Enrollment is LIVE.** Enroll at [BGCMALIBU.ORG](https://bgcmalibu.org) Available for incoming grades 6th-12th. Programs will include: service learning trips, field trips, social emotional wellness, outdoor activities & more! [Enroll Here](#) | [Inscribirse Aquí](#)
- **Third Space is OPEN at Malibu Village!** Third Space is a storefront, gallery and an innovation space for youth to be mentored and inspired. A project of the Boys & Girls Club of Malibu, made possible by many generous community contributors. A percentage of all store purchases benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Malibu:
 - Safe spaces after-school
 - Mental health services for youth, families and aging population
 - Drug and alcohol prevention programming
 - Innovative and inspiring opportunities for youth
 - Regenerative systems and educational initiatives

Here, in our vibrant community, we value care, connection, and creativity. We offer youth, families, and visitors of all ages the chance to explore products from local, sustainable and social entrepreneurs. To learn more, visit thirdspacemalibu.org Follow us on IG/FB: @thirdspacemalibu

- **Goals for Graduation** for grades 9th-12th. Monthly workshops to support college and career readiness. Meetings will take place on the school campus, once a month, on Monday's during lunch. Students do not have to be Club members in order to participate. The next meeting is on 12/4. To sign up, please email violetway@bgcmalibu.org
- **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. Meetings are bi-weekly on Mondays, during lunch, on the school campus. Lunch will be provided every meeting! Email violetway@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 teen. There is currently NO WAITLIST for services. PSA: Parents! If you've missed any parent workshops, they are available on our website at <https://bgcmalibu.org/wellness-center-resources/>

*To contact the Club please call [310-457-1400](tel:310-457-1400) (Admin) or [310-241-3675](tel:310-241-3675) (Programs) Email info@bgcmalibu.org For updates on Club news & events, subscribe to BGCM E-Newsletter [Here](#)