

MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL MONDAY MESSAGE – February 17, 2025

SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 17th IN HONOR OF
PRESIDENTS' DAY.

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSICAL: Malibu Middle School presents Beauty and the Beast JR! Beauty and the Beast tells the story of Belle, an adventurous young girl, and the Beast, her hideous captor who is actually a young prince trapped under a spell. In order to break the spell, the Beast must learn to love another and earn her love in return before time runs out. With the help of the castle's enchanted staff, including a loving teapot, a charming candelabra, and a nervous mantel clock, Belle and the Beast find a beautiful friendship and love that neither knew was possible. Disney's Beauty and the Beast JR will be playing at the MMS/MHS auditorium on February 27, 28, and March 1st at 7:00 PM and March 2nd at 1:00 PM. Come out and support our talented students and enjoy this timeless classic! Tickets can be purchased at malibuhs.booktix.com.

8TH GRADE PARENTS – LET'S MAKE PROMOTION UNFORGETTABLE! Help plan an epic send-off for our 8th graders with decor, brunch, and a celebration party! The more parents involved, the less work—and the more fun! We also need a Chair to coordinate (don't worry, we'll guide you!). Once we have a lead, we'll set a meeting and get rolling. Join us! Share your info [HERE](#) to help make this a day to remember!

SUPPORTING MALIBU'S STUDENTS IN A TIME OF NEED: The recent wildfire has deeply impacted our Malibu school community, displacing families and staff, and bringing new students into our classrooms. As we focus on helping our community rebuild, the Malibu Education Foundation—which funds essential staff and programs for all four Malibu public schools—is committed to ensuring our students have the academic and emotional support they need. Wildfires leave lasting effects, and history has shown that learning loss can persist for years. With your support, we can provide the resources our students need to recover and thrive. As a newly established foundation, our fundraising efforts have been temporarily sidelined, but the need has never been greater. If you are able, please consider donating to help us meet this critical moment. Every contribution makes a difference. Donate today at www.malibueducationfoundation.org

TIME TO SHINE! NOMINATE A LOCAL HERO FOR AN HSA! Know someone who goes above and beyond for our school community? Maybe that tireless volunteer, the teacher who does way more than their job description, or an organization that always steps up? It's time to give them the spotlight they deserve! Honorary Service Award (HSA) Nominations are OPEN! This is your chance to recognize the amazing individuals and groups making a difference for our kids. Nominations close March 31st, so don't wait—nominate your school hero [HERE!](#)

WE SEE YOU, PARENTS! We need 3-5 awesome parents to help shape the future of our PTSA by joining the Nominating Committee! Think of it as scouting for the next PTSA all-stars—no experience required, just a good eye for leadership and a willingness to help. Be the one who helps pick the team that keeps our school community strong! Email PTSAMalibu@gmail.com to join in. Bonus: It's a great excuse to hang out with cool parents and feel like a VIP.

CONTACTS ON FILE / EMERGENCIES: Parents, please update your Emergency Contacts. Remember, **students will only be released to the current contacts on file.** You can add family, neighbors, other students' parents – whoever you would trust to pick up your child in an emergency when you are not close by or able to come yourself right away. **Give yourself flexibility and save on frustration!** If the phones and email are out, there may be no way to let us know it is permissible for your student to leave with someone else once the emergency has happened. Please log into your Aeries Parent Portal, Click Student Info, Click Contacts and Click ADD.

THIS WEEK AT MMS:

PRESIDENTS' DAY: All SMMUSD schools will be closed Monday, February 17th for Presidents' Day.

ARTS ANGELS: The next Arts Angels meeting will be Thursday, February 20th at 9 am in the Parent Center.

END OF GRADING PERIOD: The end of grading period 4 is **Friday, February 21st.** Progress Reports will be available in Aeries the following week.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

PTSA GENERAL MEETING: The next general meeting of the PTSA will be held on Thursday, February 27th at 9 AM in the Parent Center.

MMS MUSICAL: Save the date! The Middle School Musical, Beauty and the Beast Jr., will have performances from February 27th through March 2nd. Don't miss this tale as old as time!

POMS MEETING (GUESTS RESCHEDULED): Come to our next in-person POMS meeting on Friday, March 14th at 9 AM and meet our special guests rescheduled from our postponed February meeting, our MHS high school counselors as they discuss the transition to high school and valuable course offering information as it relates to high school and beyond. Mark your calendars 8th grade parents as this especially pertains to you but we absolutely welcome our 6th and 7th grade parents to listen and learn about the process. You will not want to miss it! See you all Friday, March 14th at 9am.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

MALIBU LIBRARY EVENTS:

- Dungeons & Dragons - Monday, February 10, 4 - 6 pm at Malibu Library - Join us to learn and play the popular role-playing game Dungeons & Dragons. Beginners and experts are welcome. For teens ages 13 – 17.
- Learn to Draw Anime with Carlos Nieto, Thursday, February 13, 4 - 5 pm at Malibu Library - Former Simpsons and King of the Hill illustrator Carlos Nieto III teaches you how to design and draw comic characters from scratch. All artistic abilities and skill levels welcome! For ages 12 - 17.

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.

The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu is **HERE FOR YOU!**

We are here to ease some of the challenges in the aftermath of the Palisades Fire. At the BGCM, we aim to be a lifeline to the Malibu community. **Please do not hesitate to access these resources. They are for YOU and anyone who has been impacted by the Palisades Fire.** Visit us and share this information with your friends and your network. Thank you!

- BGCM Disaster Relief Center: Boys & Girls Club of Malibu has opened a Disaster Relief Center in response to the Palisades Fire. If you have been impacted by the Palisades Fire, please visit us to receive emergency grants

support, essential supplies, mental health services, and resource connections ALL at no cost.

- BGCM Emergency Relief Fund: The BGCM Emergency Relief Fund supports Palisade Fire victims and is made possible by generous donations from private donors, corporations, and the community at large. BGCM is prioritizing families and individuals in the greatest need.
- BGCM Wellness Center: The BGCM Wellness Center continues to provide mental health and social support services to support families, students, the aging population and labor workforce through this difficult time.
 - Mental Health Support + Services: contact 310-457-6801 ext 74141, wellnessinfo@bgcmalibu.org
 - Mindfulness Workshops: Every Thursday starting 2/6 at the BGCM Disaster Relief Center 12:30-1:30p (For adults 18+, no RSVP necessary). Join us for a free drop-in mindfulness workshop designed to help you and your family navigate stress, anxiety, and uncertainty.

Come visit us at the BGCM Disaster Relief Center (23357 Pacific Coast Hwy, Wed-Fri 10a to 5p, Saturday 11a to 4p). SHOP, LEARN MORE, ACCESS RESOURCES AND CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY!