MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL MONDAY MESSAGE – March 17, 2025

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK:

Monday – Regular Schedule Tuesday – 2/4/S/6 Block Schedule Wednesday – 1/3/S/5 Block Schedule Thursday – Minimum Schedule (Open House) Friday – Minimum Schedule

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

WEDNESDAY WELLNESS/ MINDFULNESS MARCH - RESCHEDULED: How lucky are you that it is time for Mindfulness March?! Come join Mrs. Whitehouse and Wellness Center to learn more about what Mindfulness is, 8 Facts about Mindfulness and the benefits of Mindfulness practice. Some lucky green treats just may be served. Please sign up and receive a pass from Mrs. Whitehouse by Tuesday. March 18th to join us March 19th at Support in the Library glass classroom.

PRN COFFEE & DONUTS: Come join the SMMUSD Parent Resource Network of Malibu for Coffee & Donuts. Share your questions or concerns with special guest Rebecca Nelson, school Psychologist. The PRN is a community group for all Malibu parents of Special Education students, or students with IEPs. Please join us in the music bungalow at Malibu Elementary on Wednesday, 3/19 9-10am. For zoom link or questions, please email denise.prn.smmusd@gmail.com.

POP-UP SNACK SHACK DATES: Come partake in some great snack opportunities while rooting on your Sharks!

• FRIDAY, MARCH 21ST - league opener baseball game versus Nordoff -Come cheer on the MHS baseball team as they take on their league rivals, Nordoff, in the first league home game of the year. Snack shack opens at 2:30pm, game starts at 3:30pm

-Pop up snack shack at the baseball fields selling hot dogs, chips, candy and drinks. Bring cash.

• FRIDAY, MARCH 28TH - swim meet versus Nordoff

-ABC will be selling hamburgers and snacks starting after school at the Shark Tank. Come for the food, stay for the swim meet to cheer on our athletes! Snack shack opens at 1:35pm, meet starts at 3pm.

-Pop up snack shack at the pool selling hamburgers, chips, candy and drinks. Bring cash.

UCLA WRITING PROJECT: The UCLA Writing Project are excited to announce our 2025 summer programs for students entering grades 5-12 in fall 2025. This year we are pleased to offer two sessions to choose from, the first on campus, the second virtual. Parents may register their students here:

UCLA Writing Project Summer Camps for Students – UCLA Center X

HELP CREATE AN ART PROJECT: Carla Bowman-Smith is looking for Cereal boxes, for an upcoming Art project. There is a labeled bin in the office downstairs outside of the Parent Center for people to put the boxes in.

MMS YEARBOOK:

- MMS Yearbook Pre Sale! \$45 until March 26th, \$50 there after <u>https://plicbooks.com/go/DAPU6E</u>
- Buy your Yearbook Dedication Pages, DEADLINE TO PURCHASE is April 4th https://plicbooks.com/go/DAPU6E
- MMS Parents Do you have great pictures that you would like to include in this year's Malibu Middle School Yearbook? Please email them to: <u>amber.mmsyearbook@gmail.com</u> or <u>amber.vanderbilt@gmail.com</u>

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!

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE, PARENTS! We need board nominations! If you are interested in being part of the team that keeps our school community strong! Email <u>PTSAMalibu@gmail.com</u> to find out which roles are available for next year.

SHARK FUND - PARENTS, IT'S YOUR TURN TO STEP UP! Malibu Middle & High School can't thrive without parent support, and The Shark Fund financially supports the boosters that make our schools exceptional. Athletic Booster Club, Arts Angels, PTSA, and so much more—these don't happen without us, the parents, stepping in. We need engaged, committed parents to join our efforts. It's not just about fundraising—it's about ensuring our kids have the best possible education and experiences. If we don't do it, who will? Now is the time to get involved. Email <u>TheSharkFundMalibu@gmail.com</u> to learn how you can help. Your support isn't optional - it's essential.

THIS WEEK AT MMS:

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

MMS/MHS OPEN HOUSE: Malibu Middle and High School's annual Open House will take place on **Thursday, March 20th at 5:00pm.** To accommodate the event, school will be on a Minimum Day Schedule.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CJSF/CSF: The annual CSF/CJSF awards breakfast and field trip to Universal Studios is Tuesday, March 25th. All students who applied and qualified for membership during the spring drive received a breakfast invitation and field trip form. ALL members (even if not attending the field trip) are welcome (along with family members) to attend the awards breakfast to enjoy treats and coffee from <u>8:30 - 9:30</u>. Each member will receive their certificate. Students attending Universal Studios will board the busses immediately after the breakfast at 9:30. Buses will return to campus at approximately 7 PM from the field trip. Looking forward to celebrating these scholars on Tuesday!

NEXT PTSA MEETING: The next General Meeting of the PTSA will be held on Thursday, March 27th at 9:00 am in the Parent Center.

NO SCHOOL: MHS and all SMMUSD schools will be closed on Monday, March 31st in honor of Cesar Chavez day.

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

SPRING BREAK: SMMUSD will be on Spring Break from April 7th through April 18th. Classes will resume on Monday, April 21st.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

YOUTH COMMISSION APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR THE 2025-26 ACADEMIC

YEAR: The City of Malibu is accepting applications for Council appointment to the Harry Barovsky Memorial Youth Commission beginning March 1, 2025. Students in grades 7 through 12 during the 2025-26 school year, are encouraged to submit an application to serve on the Youth Commission. Students must live in the City of Malibu limits or attend a Malibu school. The application deadline is Friday, April 25, 2025, at 4 PM. Please visit MalibuCity.org/YouthCommission to submit an online application. Contact sspiroglou@malibucity.org with any questions.

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. <u>Please do not hesitate to</u> <u>access these resources</u>. 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!