



John L. Webster Elementary School

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[Webster Weekly](#)

Week of: January 25th 2021

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Webster Families,

During the fall, winter, and spring, teachers administer assessments to students and use the results to design and deliver instruction. We are currently in the January assessment window for reading and math assessments. These assessments provide us with valuable information about students' reading and mathematics development based on grade level standards proficiency. In the primary grades, these assessments are completed one-on-one so teachers will be meeting with students one-on-one at various times throughout the day. Please pay careful attention to your teacher's schedule over the next couple of weeks. As always, contact your child's teacher if you have any questions.

On Friday, February 5th, your child's *Standards Based Report Card* will be emailed to parents. Teachers spend considerable time grading, assessing and crafting individualized comments to share with you regarding your student's progress. To support this work, students will have a **Student Work Day** this Friday, January 29th. Student work days have limited daily live interaction, with students engaged in asynchronous learning for the remaining portion of the day. Teachers will be in meetings or working with their grade levels colleagues. The SMMCTA bargaining unit has negotiated one more student work day before the end of the year.

Thank you,

Ms. Daruty

THIS WEEK:

TUESDAY, Jan. 26th

- School-wide P.E. with Coach Daryl @ 2:00 [Zoom link](#)
- Power Hour "Homework Help" Boys & Girls Club of Malibu @ 3:00 p.m.
- Special PTA Executive Board Meeting with Principal Daruty @3:00 p.m.





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THURSDAY, Jan. 28th

- No live music instruction for grades 3rd- 5th. This is a student work day. Students will have asynchronous work assigned via Google Classroom, and there will be no zoom classes for music that day.
- 12:30 -1:00 p.m. Please refer to the [STEAM lesson](#) document to prepare your student’s materials.
- **TK-K Round-Up @ 1:00 p.m. (NEW TIME)** Via zoom [RSVP required](#). If you or anyone in our community is interested in enrolling their TK/K aged children at Webster for fall 2021.22 please encourage them to attend.
- School-wide P.E. with Coach Daryl @ 2:00 [Zoom link](#)
- Power Hour "Homework Help" Boys & Girls Club of Malibu @ 3:00 p.m.

Friday, January 29th Student Work Day

- Students begin the day from 8:30-9:00 a.m. with a morning meeting. The remaining portion of the day, students are engaged in asynchronous learning. Teachers are in planning and curriculum meetings.
- General PTA Meeting @ 2:00 p.m. Via zoom.
- Virtual Family Salsa Night @ 4:30 p.m. PS Arts is hosting a free virtual Family Night for the general public. Families can sign-up through the link on the flyer below, or by using the following link:<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/public-family-dance-night-tickets-137985521409>. Participants will receive the Zoom link via email the day before the event. This event is open for all ages, no materials required!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, February 1st	Webster Picture Day- Information , MONDAY sign-up and Pricing
Tuesday, February 2nd	Webster Picture Day- Information , TUESDAY sign-up and Pricing
Wednesday, February 3rd	100th Day of School
Friday, February 5th	Report Cards will be emailed home.
Friday, February 5th	PTA Executive Board Meeting @ 3:30 p.m. Additional Dates: 3/5 ,4/16 , 5/7, and 6/4
Saturday, February 13th	PTA Holiday Boutique Fundraiser - 11-4 @ Malibu Lumber Yard (POSTPONED)
Monday, February 15th	Presidents’ Day (No School)
Tuesday, February 16th	Parent Support Group @ 3:00 p.m. zoom link . We will share tips for



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supporting your family in Distance Learning and provide you time to meet and talk with other Webster parents. Our hope is to offer this as a resource for our new and returning families. Additional dates 3/16 @ 3:00 p.m.

M/W/F March 8th- 12th
Tuesday, March 16th

NatureBridge 5th Grade Yosemite "live field instruction" days
Parent Support Group @ 3:00 p.m. [zoom link](#). We will share tips for supporting your family in Distance Learning and provide you time to meet and talk with other Webster parents. Our hope is to offer this as a resource for our new and returning families.

Friday, March 19th
Friday, March 26th
Monday, April 12th
Monday, May 31st
Friday, June 11th

General PTA Meeting @ 2:00 p.m. Additional Dates 5/21 More info. to come
Last Day before Spring Break
First Day Back from Spring Break
Memorial Day (No School)
Last Day of School

DISTANCE LEARNING:

Recorder distribution for THIRD Grade. During the week of 2/8 through 2/12. They will be made available in the Webster auditorium Monday-Friday between 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Please be sure to pick up **one** new recorder and **one** recorder book. Recorders are the beginning of our nationally recognized music program and we are fortunate that through the generosity of the Santa Monica Education Foundation, SMEF, we are able to provide a brand new recorder and recorder book to every third grade student that they will be able to keep after the end of school. Thank you and welcome to the first stage of your child learning to read notes and rhythms on a music staff!"- Tom Whaley- SMMUSD VAPA Coordinator

Planet Bravo: [Curriculum](#) can be found here. **Next Week's Lessons:**

TK & K- Next in the Digital Art unit, students will create their very own mosaic art. Students will first look at different examples and identify shapes they see. Next students will create a blank project in an art program called Pixel Art. Students will draw 5 squares and 5 circles that are overlapping. Last, students will use the paint bucket tool to fill their art piece in with color.

1st- This week students will explore a new type of digital art; Rock Art. Students will look at examples and then have the opportunity to create their own. Using an online website students will start by creating rock art from templates. Next students will make a rock art design from scratch and get to show their full creativity.





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2nd & 3rd- Students will continue their intro to Tinkercad 3D modeling. We will continue to learn how to use the website by learning how to rotate shapes, align them on our work plane and change the size and shape. Then students will begin their first project, constructing a 3D model of an ice cream cone by using the cone shape and the sphere.

4th & 5th- Students will wrap up their coding unit this week by revisiting one of their past projects that they want to add more to. If any students didn't have a chance to finish they will have the opportunity to during class. They will add any final details and then share their code link with classmates so students can test out each other's code.

COVID COMPLIANCE TEAM UPDATES

Each week our COVID Compliance team meets to learn, establish and implement safety protocols and procedures for our Webster community. We take guidance from the district and the LACDP. Below are the updates from our past meeting. Team members include:

1. Lila Daruty, Principal
2. Kelsy Houseman, Nurse
3. Isaura Terry, Administrative Assistant
4. Michael Ward, Senior Office Specialist
5. Yoliee Hernandez, Healthy Office Specialist
6. Kathy Davis, custodian
7. Sebastian Spiroglou, Director of Elementary Programs, Boys & Girls Clubs of Malibu
8. Dr. Susan Samarge-Powell, Director of Early Learning

UPDATES:

1. Last week the district implemented an online health screening tool for staff and students entering campus. When students return to campus for in-person instruction we will continue to use this application that can be found at [Student Symptom Assessment Tool \(bchdcovidscreen.org\)](https://bchdcovidscreen.org). Bookmark it NOW on your smartphone!

2. Directional signs have been placed in front and around campus to support student traffic flow.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:





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We officially launched **Kids Heart Challenge** Friday and we want 100% participation! Please download the FREE “Kids Heart Challenge” App or visit <http://www2.heart.org/goto/webstersmmusd> to register your child. You DO NOT HAVE to donate to join in the heart healthy activities! The online platform is to register students to take the challenge, AND a place where you can raise donations. When registering (which is free) you will be asked which healthy challenge you want to take (MOVE MORE, BE KIND, or CHOOSE WATER instead of sugary drinks). That is all free to do and there are fun games, heart quizzes, etc. that are all part of the free participation. It will also ask if you want to create a fundraising goal and send emails to friends and family asking for donations, but families can just say “no thanks” if they are not comfortable with participating in that way.

- Top 3 Participating Classes = Afternoon Zoom Party!
- Raise \$200+ = Earn ALL Heart Heroes and Lunch with Principal Daruty!
- Hit \$5,000 School Goal = Mystery Balloon Pop over the heads of Coach Daryl & Principal Daruty. More students who register, more balloons will be popped! Balloons will have things like slime, pudding, milk, etc!

When registering, your child will take one of three healthy challenges – Move More, Be Kind, or Choose Water! You’ll earn a FREE decoder wristband and you can [CLICK HERE](#) to see what other gifts you can earn! You can pick up gifts on optional Picture Day, Feb 1st and Feb 2nd, or you can get them after the campaign. Lastly, please use this link to visit our [10 DAY CHALLENGE](#), which has two weeks of fun activities to keep us healthy! Send in pictures and videos of yourself completing the challenges and doing other healthy activities! Thank you for empowering our students to have happy and healthy hearts!

WEBSTER PICTURE DAY: It is time to take your Webster Elementary School photograph! This year the event will be a drive-thru format held on **Monday, February 1st and Tuesday February 2nd between the hours of 11:50 a.m. and 4:00 pm.(MORE TIMES WERE ADDED!** We invite you to sign-up for a time either day, for your student(s) to take a school photograph.

Please use this link to sign-up your child for their appointment. [MONDAY sign-up](#) or [TUESDAY sign-up](#) . If additional time slots are needed, they will be added. **Siblings should sign-up for one time slot.**

This is an *optional event*. We will be adhering to strict protocols to minimize risk of Covid-19. The photography team of two adults (COVID tested and cleared) will be on campus to take your child's school portraits. The photos will be taken in front of our beautiful school, in a natural outdoor setting at a safe distance. Students will arrive on campus using our drive-through lane. Near the auditorium, students ONLY will exit the car. Parents are asked to pull forward to wait for their child. Students should arrive “picture ready” and masked! It should take no more than five minutes per child. Siblings should



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sign-up for consecutive time-slots. View [Pricing and Packages](#). You will have an opportunity to view your proofs prior to purchasing them through a password protected website.

We are excited to partner with Trish Alison Photography. Trish has already successfully done the "drive by" school portraits at The Brentwood School lower campus, The Center for Early Education, The Wesley School, Laurence School and UCLA Lab School. Trish prides herself in capturing sincere happy expressions of children and will be taking a variety of natural looks/poses and providing them to parents in an online ordering link that is 100% customizable by each family.

You can visit her website or contact her for questions at trish@trishalisonphotography.com 310-749-0410.

***We will host a make-up day in March for those unable to attend.**

Malibu Woman's Club Annual Fifth Grade Contest. The Malibu Woman's Club was established over 60 years ago with its Mission Statement "Nurturing Leaders of Tomorrow". We provide scholarships to deserving students, and promote and reward academic achievement. Please refer to the [CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS](#) and complete the [parent permission slip](#). Our prompt aligns with the California 5th Grade standards for English Language Arts, Science and Visual and Performing Arts and gives students broader choices in which to express their ideas. The results will be different, depending on each student's focus and experience. As ever, we want the children's unique work, not the work of parents or friends with one exception: if the student needs help recording a video, a family member may assist. **Entries must be submitted to the file by Friday, February 12th, 2021.** If you have students who cannot afford to purchase 22" x 28" poster board, please text Karen Verham at (310) 776-0280 and we will work it out. Malibu Woman's Club will select a First and a Second Place Winner for each class. **First Place** will receive a certificate and an award of \$150.00 **Second Place** will receive a certificate and an award of \$100.00. Students are invited to share their winning entries with MWC members, educators, and proud parents and guests at a special virtual awards celebration on Zoom on Monday, May 24, 2020, from Noon to 2:00 p.m.

Each year more than 1.3 million children are reported missing. In California alone, a child is reported missing about every 5 minutes equating to more than 100,000 reports taken each year. Please see the attachments regarding an annual poster contest for 5th graders that is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice (U.S. DOJ). The U.S. DOJ sponsors this national poster contest to raise awareness and bring attention to children who have been recovered, as well as the children who are still missing. The winner of the national contest, along with his or her teacher and parents/guardians, are flown to Washington DC to attend the National Missing Children's Day Ceremony in May.





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To participate in the contest, students must:

- - **Be in the fifth grade**
- - Complete a poster size 8 ½ x 14 inches
- - Include the phrase “Bringing Our Missing Children Home” somewhere on the poster
- - Use materials such as: crayons, markers, paint, pencils, etc.
- - Handcraft the poster’s design. Digitally produced images, collages, cut-outs, and stamping are not eligible
- - Submit the poster along with a completed Contest Application and Release and Consent Form
- - **Entries must be postmarked by February 5, 2021**

Send the poster and the completed application to: California Department of Justice Missing Children Clearinghouse ATTN: MUPS - KILGORE 4949 Broadway, Sacramento, CA 95820

Looking for some volunteers! Are you an auditor? We could use your expertise and volunteer time to support the PTA. We are also looking for 1-2 volunteers to support with Picture Day, and parents to chair the following school events: Jog-A-Thon, Webster Talent Show, and Parent wine tasting virtual events etc. Please email websterptamalibu@gmail.com if you would be interested!

Did you read the last **PTA newsletter**? Visit our PTA website <https://websterpta.com/>. Please see all the important fundraising and children’s events that are coming up! Webster is a great school but we cannot be an AMAZING school without Parent Involvement. Please [join the PTA](#) and please support the [Annual Giving Campaign](#). Membership is just \$15 and allows you to vote at meetings, but more importantly is a symbol of unity between teachers and parents. The Annual Giving Campaign website will show you where your voluntary donation of \$1,500 goes. The services on this list are so important and allows our school to move from good to great. Thank you for your consideration! Lastly, the PTA website lists many local parent and child resources they have gathered. I cannot thank the PTA strongly enough. Our PTA is helping all of us stay connected and helping our school to be great.

Suicide Prevention: If you or someone you care about is in a crisis, call the Suicide Prevention Lifeline at (800) 273-8255 to talk with a caring, trained counselor. It is free, confidential, and available 24/7. The Lifeline is also available in Spanish at (888) 628-9454, through TTY (dial 711 then (800) 273-8255) or via online chat. [Flyer with resources.](#)

Meal service: Children enrolled in any SMMUSD school or program can receive grab-and-go breakfast and lunch from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday at the following schools: Santa Monica High School, McKinley Elementary, Will Rogers Learning Community in Santa Monica and [Webster Elementary](#) in Malibu. SMMUSD families may go to any of these schools even if not enrolled there.





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All students under the age of 18 will be served. A parent or guardian must be present, except high school students may participate on their own.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU

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:

- **Power Hour "Homework Help" & Tutoring Zoom Link (Tues/Thurs 3-4PM)**

<https://bgcmalibu.zoom.us/j/95808140175?pwd=MzhsQlR6MmNBaVN4cmdLNjByYzBCUT09>

Passcode: 402635

- **Wellness Center & Social Support Offerings** The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center operates remotely to provide no-cost social support & mental health counseling to all in the community. Check out our **NEW** [Wellness Page](#) to learn more or to request services for you/your child!

*To contact the Club please email info@bgcmalibu.org Please be advised, our phone system is currently down. **For updates on Club news & events, subscribe to BGCM E-Newsletter [Here!](#)**

NEWS AND INFORMATION:

WEBSTER LIBRARY:

Now you can check out Ebooks online! Please follow these steps:

1. Username is your Google K12 email (Example: psw@smmK12.org)
2. Password= Your school ID# (child's lunch number) New Families who need their student ID can email MichaelWard@smmusd.org.

If you would like to look at your student's account to see which books your child currently has checked out, you can do this in the Destiny Discover Platform.

We are excited to announce that Webster library books are available to be checked-out **once a week**. To see our current selection, please go to the [Webster Website](#). Select "Programs" and [E library](#). A list can be printed and emailed to our Elementary Library Coordinator, Ms. Peri Monte. Books are available for pick-up on Tuesdays and Fridays between 8:30-3:00 p.m. A large yellow bucket Labeled "library books"



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is located outside the school office, on the steps. Please drive-up using the curbside valet and retrieve your books. You may return books to the same place, on either Tuesday or Friday. Feel free to place your new list in your return bag. **Please do not return books on any other days than Tuesdays and Fridays between 8:30-3:00 p.m.**

Webster OFFICE HOURS- The school office is closed, except by appointment. We will answer phone calls between **9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m. Monday- Friday**. If you happen to get VM, all messages are sent to our emails. Please leave a message and it will be returned within 24 hours. Email is always the best way to reach the office!webstersupport@smmusd.org technical support (i.e. Passwords, usernames, Chromebook repair)michaele.ward@smmusd.org for enrollment and attendance. iterry@smmusd.org for general office related questions. khouseman@smmusd.org and yhernandez@smmusd.org for health records, immunizations and health office questions.

OTHER INFORMATION:

SMMUSD District Calendar: The Revised 20-21 district calendar is available online. Please note the start of school, end of school, and all holidays. Please plan vacations and absences of a personal nature around the school/district calendar.

District Announcements: <https://app.peachjar.com/flyers/all/schools/58471>. SMMUSD posts information parents may find valuable on the WEBSTER homepage. Please use the link above to quickly access this page.

Webster Weekly: This will be sent out every week during the school year. The newsletters are archived on our website at: <https://www.smmusd.org/domain/2918>.

For the latest PTA news from Webster, follow us on twitter, Facebook and Instagram @ptawebster.

