



John L. Webster Elementary School

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[Webster Weekly](#)

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Webster Parents,

Now more than ever it is important to set aside time to talk to our children about digital citizenship and appropriate online behavior. Around the globe we have been propelled into interacting through virtual interfaces more than many of us had ever imagined or maybe even wanted. Adults and children both, are increasing their use of digital technologies. This weekend, I watched a popular documentary that sparked even more questions about the role and responsibility digital connectivity through social media has in our world. How has your family adjusted? Have you started conversations at home regarding this shift? I would love to hear from you and I want to offer support.

During the week of October 19th-23rd Webster students will celebrate Digital Citizenship Week! SMMUSD is partnering with Common Sense Media to provide a week of activities that focus on digital citizenship. We hope you engage in thoughtful conversations around digital citizenship with your children at home. Please explore resources found at [Wide Open School](#). Common Sense is here to help with free activities and lessons (see below) to teach kids how to learn, create, and participate responsibly in the digital world.

Each day this week try exploring these questions:

- How can I create media balance in my life?
- How can I keep my private information safe?
- How can I build a digital footprint I'm proud of?
- How can I communicate kindly, build relationships, and stand up to hate?
- How can I think critically about the things I see, create, and share?

I encourage you to discuss digital citizenship with your children this week. Whether it be 5 or 45 minutes, carve out some time to engage them in a conversation around digital responsibility!

Thank you,

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THIS WEEK:

TUESDAY 10/20

- **School-wide (optional) P.E. with Coach Daryl @ 2:00 p.m.** [Zoom link](#) Dance party!
- **Power Hour "Homework Help" Provided by The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu @ 3:00 p.m.** [Zoom Link](#) Passcode: 402635

THURSDAY 10/22

- **Power Hour "Homework Help" Provided by The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu @ 3:00 p.m.** [Zoom Link](#) Passcode: 402635
- **STEAM Choice Thursdays @ 12:30 p.m.** Webster students will engage in interactive lessons in STEAM. 3rd-5th grade will have an opportunity to select from a menu of STEAM lessons. See the menu of classes. Please look over the list of materials needed to be sure your child is ready to engage and learn!
- **School-wide (optional) P.E. with Coach Daryl @ 2:00 p.m.** [Zoom link](#) Scavenger Hunt!

FRIDAY 10/23

- **Webster Wear Sales @ Webster from 2-4 p.m.** Pay by credit card or check.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, October 27th	School Site Council Meeting @ 3:00 p.m. Zoom Link
Friday, October 30th	Coffee with the Principal @ 10 a.m. Zoom Link Additional dates: 11/13 & 12/11
Friday, October 30th	Webster Wear Sales @ Webster from 2-4 p.m. Pay by credit card or check.
Tuesday, November 3rd	Minimum Day, Teacher Conferences TK/K dismissal @ 11:50 a.m. and 1st-5th @ 1:35 p.m.
Wednesday, November 4th	Minimum Day, Teacher Conferences TK/K dismissal @ 11:50 a.m. and 1st-5th @ 1:35 p.m.
Thursday, November 5th	Pupil Free Day, Teacher Conferences
Friday, November 6th	Minimum Day, Teacher Conferences TK/K dismissal @ 11:50 a.m. and 1st-5th @ 1:35 p.m.



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Wednesday, November 11th	No School - Veterans' Day
Wednesday, November 25th	No School - Local Holiday
Thursday, November 26th	No School - Thanksgiving
Friday, November 27th	No School - Admissions Day Observed
Monday, February 1st	Webster Picture Day- Grades TK- 2nd Details regarding the process and photo package to follow
Tuesday, February 2nd	Webster Picture Day- Grades 3rd- 5th

DISTANCE LEARNING INFORMATION:

TMobile replacement Hotspots have arrived. The previously distributed Verizon hotspots were deactivated on October 15th. Please read more about this [HERE](#). Webster office staff will continue to provide or exchange during Webster Office hours.

Thinking Maps - Great Resource for Parents to Use with Students Thinking Maps are a signature instructional practice at Webster K-5th. Thinking Maps help students organize thoughts and analyze information. Use this [link](#) to help your children master the use of this analytical strategy.

Planet Bravo: [Curriculum](#) Please be sure your child arrives on time to class. Given the abbreviated length of each course (30 mins) arrival on time is essential! When students arrive late it derails the flow of the lesson as Mrs. A, attempts to catch them up. **Lessons for next week:**

K, 1st and 2nd are all starting the 2nd Unit, Computer Science. We will start to talk about how computers work as well as computer languages and each grade will focus on different games and activities to support our learning)

Tk, K & 1st- Sequencing: Students will learn about how computers do things by following specific steps. Then they will place a few games where they themselves will have to follow directions and complete tasks in order.

2nd- Scratch: Students will start learning Scratch coding. This is an amazing intro to the coding world and throughout this unit we will create various animations and games in Scratch. Scratch is a starter



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coding language created by MIT students that uses drag and drop programming. This first class we will focus on how to add two characters and code it so they can have a conversation.

3rd, 4th & 5th- Creating a Slideshow: Students will get to create a Google Slideshow on the topic they have been researching. They will get to choose a theme, fonts and even inserting supporting images.

P.E. with Coach Daryl: Please wear appropriate PE clothing for each PE session. You will be moving and exercising and we want you to be safe and comfortable.

[Webster Distance Learning Padlet](#) Includes additional resources and learning opportunities.

[Distance Learning Handbook:](#) Please read and review the attached handbook.

NEWS AND INFORMATION:

As your family begins **planning fall activities and how to celebrate Halloween**, please read this [guidance](#) from LA County Public Health. Since the traditional ways in which this holiday is celebrated do not allow you to minimize contact with non-household members, it is important to plan early and identify safer alternatives. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health would like to share information on how to take part in this holiday in a manner that reduces the risk of spreading COVID-19. Please consider some safer alternatives that are listed below.

Webster Elementary will be a **designated voting/polling center** from Oct. 24th -Nov. 3rd. We are happy to encourage civic engagement and to remind you to exercise your right to vote. Eventually we will have a [Vote by Mail Ballot Drop Box](#), but currently we do not. However, there are [Vote by Mail Ballot Drop Boxes](#) throughout the County for use. An Official Vote by Mail Ballot Drop Box is located outside Malibu Library for 24-hour a day use.

Bilingual Community Liaison in Malibu- I want to provide an update on our vacant bilingual community liaison position. Ms. Guadalupe Dixon Dixon, ldixon@smmusd.org has accepted the BCL assignment for Malibu. We look forward to meeting her and receiving support for our students and families. Thank you to Alex Aspron Ladesich, aaspron@smmusd.org, for serving as a substitute in the position.

WEBSTER LIBRARY: 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





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“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” 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.** If you would like to look at your student’s account to see which books they currently have checked out, you must begin by creating an account. Please follow these steps. Type in your LAST name and password. Username is your Google K12 email (Example: psw@smmK12.org) Password= Your school ID# (child’s lunch number). Write down the password and email you used to log-in. You should be able to log-in on Follett Destiny from school or home!

Webster OFFICE HOURS- The school office is closed, except by appointment. We will answer phone calls between **9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. Monday- Thursday**. 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.

Annual Registration Documents 2020-2021 - Turn in Four (4) Forms: These documents are mandated by law to be given to all students before or during the first week of school.) The annual MANDATED SMMUSD registration documents are posted on our [Student Services Department Website](#). These documents are: Annual Notice Booklet, Annual Information BP packet, Student Accident and Health Insurance Forms, Lunch & Breakfast Information, Covered California Information, and the **four (4) Signature Pages**. Parents can read the documents, print out the **four (4) signature pages**, sign them, and scan/email/snail mail them back to our school office. Here is the link to the documents and **four (4) forms**: <https://www.smmusd.org/Registration>

It is mandatory that schools collect signatures from each student’s parent/guardian for **FOUR (4)** items:

1. **Annual Notice Booklet**
2. **Annual Information Booklet**
3. **Technology Acceptable Use Policy**
4. **General Filming and Recording Release**





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Webster Office staff will keep track of all four forms. Please send your **four (4) signature pages** to Michaele Ward at michaele.ward@smmusd.org by the end of the first week of school. Once Webster Office staff receives the signed forms back, the responses will be recorded **in our student information database for** the two areas below:

- Technology use (use internet release button) and
- Photo Release

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

Enrichment Activities in partnership with the City of Malibu, (for Grades K-5th) outdoor sports activities and enrichment camps will be offered Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 3:30-5PM. Register [here](#). The Malibu Community Services Department will continue to offer outdoor, active and engaging camps during the months of November and December. Attached is a flyer with more details. The full list of classes will be available soon! For more information, visit MalibuCity.org/Community Classes. We will continue to administer capacity limits, physical distancing, as well hand-washing and sanitizing requirements that follow the LA County Department of Public Health Guidelines. Participants must wear a face covering, and programs are open to Malibu residents. Registration will take place online, MalibuCity.org/Register. Continue following the Community Services Department on social media to receive updates and current information about upcoming programs. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to me at afiori@malibucity.org

MALIBU FOUNDATION PROGRAMS:

1. **Growing Roots - Vegetable Education ([Link](#))**
2. **Arts and Animals After School at Big Heart Ranch - [Enroll Now!](#)**

Description: Both Animal and Art Education activities are based on three emotional regulation practices: 478 deep breathing to lessen the physical effects of the stress response; mindfulness walking and sitting meditation; identifying and sharing the three primary emotions of joy, fear and sadness. *We are only scheduling out for 3 weeks right now, but we may add 3 additional weeks before daylight savings time.* [Enroll Here!](#)

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.](#)





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LA County CLEAN BEACH CONTEST for 3rd- 5th Graders. Enter our **CAN THE TRASH! Clean Beach Poster Contest** for a chance to have your message shared with millions of beachgoers! Contest winners will have their artwork displayed around trash barrels on the beach. Simply submit your artwork online, in person, or by mail. The contest is open to students in grades 3 – 5 who reside in the County of Los Angeles. Online submissions must be entered by an adult.

Coastal Clean-up Day: Coastal Clean-up Day has become a month-long event because of COVID 19. So, September is now Coastal Cleanup month! Since we can't all gather together on one day, instead you and your family can plan your own day and cleanup. You can make it officially known (and counted) by signing up here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/coastal-cleanup-month-tickets-116467051085>

OUR HOUSE Grief Support Center Virtual Workshop that will help connect families with OUR HOUSE in helping with the loss of a loved one. Workshops will be provided in both English and Spanish. Fliers have been posted to PeachJar and Blackboard messages will be shared with families. Messages: [English](#) and [Spanish](#). This will help connect parents to support groups to help with grieving. Feel free to look at [website](#) for information.

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. 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:

Did you catch Boys & Girls Club of Malibu on Spectrum News 1 So Cal? Click [here](#) to watch. The segment shares how the Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center is committed to providing mental health services to ease the pandemic's effects. The Wellness Center is supporting the community at large, children, families, individuals, seniors, labor workforce, and beyond. Please reach out to our Wellness Center staff to schedule a session.



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Skate Sessions Another skate session available through our Johnny Strange Legacy Skate Program in partnership with Pacific Skate School is starting Friday Oct 23-Nov 20. Sessions take place on Fridays 1:30PM-4:30PM. 10 spots left available! Email skate@bgcmalibu.org to register. Please note refunds cannot be accommodated.

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 continues to operate remotely to provide social support & counseling. We have further expanded our services. We are supporting: SMMUSD students, families, faculty/staff, seniors, labor workforce, and the community at large. Servicios disponibles en español. *All services are offered at no cost!* Please view our brochure [here](#). Call 310-457-6801 ext 74141 Email wellnessinfo@bgcmalibu.org

Run Malibu Virtual This year's Malibu Half Marathon & 5K race is taking place virtually, and we are SO excited to continue partnering with this amazing community-driven event. Please click [here](#) to learn how you can join in & support BGCM! The virtual race takes place Nov 7-8, be sure to join the BGCM team, [sign up](#) now!

*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!](#)

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.

