



John L. Webster Elementary School

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Webster Weekly

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Webster Parents,

On behalf of the entire Webster School Staff, I would like to extend our heartfelt wishes for a meaningful, joyous, and safe Thanksgiving holiday for you and your families. We are so very grateful for YOU! In a year of great challenges, we hold high hopes for strength, health, and resiliency for every member of the Webster Community.



As you may be aware, some private and public schools in Los Angeles County have reopened their Kindergarten through 2nd grade classrooms to hybrid instruction via the Tier K-2 Waiver process. With the help of our District Office leadership, Webster Elementary and all SMMUSD Elementary schools are submitting waivers. It takes approximately three weeks to receive feedback on TK-2 submissions, and you will be notified as soon as we know.

I have hosted multiple meetings and discussions with a variety of stakeholders around reopening. One thing is clear; our families differ in their opinions about the reopening of Webster School. I appreciate the variety of perspectives and all of them are being considered. As we continue to prepare for the day we can reopen, I ask you to reflect upon the priority with which you are trying to resolve. Which of the statements below best represent your greatest consideration when thinking about your student (s) return to in-person learning?

- Social Emotional connections of campus
- Maintaining a connection to classmates, staff and the school community
- Continuity of academic support and instruction
- Health and safety precautions during a pandemic
- Child Care and supervision.

I wish we were able to offer a solution that could resolve ALL of the above mentioned. Please know that here at Webster, we are delivering our Distance Learning program while simultaneously planning for the goal to return to in-person instruction. Over the next coming weeks we will continue to prepare communication, coordinate with departments, reimagine schedules, rearrange furniture in classrooms, clean our campus and solidify the hybrid model that will be selected. We are committed to this work at Webster and it is keeping us very busy! The final





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decision will come from the Board of Education after a recommendation from all stakeholder groups is shared. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the learning of our Webster students.

As always please reach out should you have any questions, comments or concerns.

Thank you,
Ms. Daruty

THIS WEEK:

MONDAY, Nov. 23rd

- P.E. check-in Meeting @ 11:30 A.M. [Zoom link](#)
- Paraeducator weekly Meeting @12:00 p.m. [Zoom link](#)
- (Optional) TK /Kinder PE with Coach Daryl @ 12:30-1:00 p.m. [Zoom link](#)

TUESDAY, Nov. 24th

- SPED Team weekly meeting @ 12:30 p.m. [zoom link](#)
- School-wide P.E. with Coach Daryl @ 2:00 [Zoom link](#)
- Power Hour "Homework Help" Boys & Girls Club of Malibu @ 3:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 25th - FRIDAY, Nov. 27th

- No School - Thanksgiving and Admissions Day Observed

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, December 4th

PTA Executive Board Meeting @ 3:30 p.m.

Additional Dates: 1/8, 2/5, 3/5 ,4/16 , 5/7, and 6/4

Friday, December 11th

Coffee with the Principal: Special Guest our School Psychologist.

Rebecca Nelson. [Distance Learning First-Aid for parents](#). Come learn some tips and tools to help you and your family stay connected and healthy during these challenging times. @ 10 a.m.

[Zoom Link](#)

Monday, February 1st

Webster Picture Day- Grades TK- 2nd

Details regarding the process and photo package to follow



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Tuesday, February 2nd

Webster Picture Day- Grades 3rd- 5th

Friday, January 22nd

General PTA Meeting @ 3:30 p.m. Additional Dates 3/19 and 5/21

DISTANCE LEARNING INFORMATION

Chromebooks and TMobile replacement Hotspots. The previously distributed Verizon hotspots were deactivated on October 15th. Please read more about this [HERE](#). Please contact Webstersupport@smmusd.org to arrange for an exchange. If your child needs a chromebook or it requires a repair please contact webstersupport@smmusd.org.

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.

NO LESSONS this Week

There will be no PlanetBravo computer classes next week for the holiday. If students would like resources for computer activities they can do any of our past assignments (or build upon them). I also have some resources for more websites like code.org, Khan Academy and Code Academy if they would like to explore those. You can direct students to our jump page www.planetbravo.com/webweek for activities if they are interested.

P.E. with Coach Daryl: We added TK and Kinder PE on Mondays! Coach will provide live PE instruction for our students. Encourage your children to come join in the fun. Please wear appropriate PE clothing for each PE session. You will be moving and exercising and we want you to be safe and comfortable.

- TK PE with Coach Daryl @ 12:30-1:00 p.m. [Zoom link](#)
- Kinder PE with Coach Daryl @ 1:00-1:30 p.m. [Zoom link](#)

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

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.



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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" 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. -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.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

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.

City of Malibu - November and December Camps

The Community Services Department will continue to offer outdoor, active and engaging camps during the months of November and December. [Linked here](#) is a flyer with more details. The full list of classes will be available soon! For more information, visit MalibuCity.org/CommunityClasses. 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,





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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.

MALIBU FOUNDATION PROGRAMS:

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

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.](#)

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

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communication skills, stronger relationships, and better knowledge of personal health. Starting 12/3, every Thursday at 3:30PM. Email Director of Educational Wellness, Randi Goodman, LMFT#52964 to register your child. randigoodman@bgcmalibu.org

Wellness Center & Social Support Offerings The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Wellness Center operates remotely to provide social support & mental health counseling. Check out our *NEW* [Wellness Page!](#)

El Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Centro de Bienestar Presenta "Cómo superar el estrés de ser padres en la época de COVID y el aprendizaje a distancia" un webinar virtual centrado en: el estrés y el cuerpo, cómo esto puede resultar traumático, cómo ayudarlo a usted y a su hijos a superarlo. 2 de diciembre a las 6pm. [Haga clic para registrarse](#). En colaboración con SMMUSD y servicios familiares de Santa Mónica. Para más información sobre este taller por favor comuníquese con la Dra. Freda Rossi, SMMUSD Coordinadora de Participación Familiar, al frossi@smmusd.org

Mark Your Calendars! Giving Tuesday is right around the corner. Consider participating in Giving Tuesday on December 1st. Click [here](#) to make a year-end tax deductible donation to the Boys & Girls Club of Malibu. THANK YOU!

*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.

