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3602 Winter Canyon Road Malibu, CA 90265

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## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

Dear Webster Parents,

I hope you and your family had a restful, healthy Thanksgiving. As the holiday season approaches, I am reminded of how wonderful our Webster community truly is. We have much to be thankful for during this holiday season. As we enter the final few weeks of 2020 my hope is that our entire learning community continues to thrive under the difficult circumstances the world finds itself in and remains unified in our common goal of not just educating our students in core content areas but also always remembering to prioritize their emotional well-being.

A few weeks ago I sent you a [Parent Survey](#) asking for parent input on reopening plans. Thank you to those who filled-out the survey, I know so many surveys have flooded your email around this topic! To this date, only 68 families have completed the survey. In order for the data to be statistically significant we need a greater response. Please take the time to complete this Webster specific survey, so that we can determine the programming to be offered if/when Los Angeles County reaches the Red Tier. When this occurs, Webster may safely re-open at 50% capacity. The Board of Education is still determining the hybrid model that will be offered. Regardless of the model selected, we have latitude in how it will look specifically at Webster. This starts with accurate enrollment projections so we may customize a plan that works for our community. I am most interested in knowing whether you would permit your child to return for any in-person schooling **at all** for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year. This information is crucial for us to plan for those families who do not feel safe returning. It is a priority to keep Webster students with Webster teachers, if you decide to remain in the Distance learning format. I set the survey so you may edit previously entered responses. If you changed your mind or want to revisit your submission, I encourage you to review your response.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership as we navigate the important decision of safely reopening during challenging times for our community, state and country.

In gratitude,

Ms. Daruty

## **THIS WEEK:**





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### MONDAY, Nov. 30th

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

### TUESDAY, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>

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

### THURSDAY, Dec. 3rd

- 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, Dec. 4th

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

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### Thursday, December 10th

#### SMMUSD Board Meetings in December

Please note that there are two board meetings in December. The December 10 meeting WAS the original regular meeting, but is now a special meeting to approve the 1st interim budget report and other time-sensitive items as well as the continuation of the conversation re: the process to reopen schools. The regular meeting has been moved to December 17.

#### 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](#)

#### Friday, January 8th

**PTA Executive Board Meeting @ 3:30 p.m.**  
Additional Dates: 2/5, 3/5, 4/16, 5/7, and 6/4





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**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

**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](mailto:Webstersupport@smmusd.org) to arrange for an exchange. If your child needs a chromebook or it requires a repair please contact [webstersupport@smmusd.org](mailto: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.

### **Next Week's Lessons (Week after Thanksgiving):**

- **TK-** We will continue to talk about coding and how code is written so computers can understand how to do their jobs and work. They will start working in [code.org](http://code.org), a fantastic website that teaches all ages coding concepts. Students will complete puzzles by adding blocks of code to help the character collect things.
- **K & 1st-** We will continue to learn more about how computers use code to run. Students will have to complete puzzles by giving directions to a character on how to navigate a maze and collect an object. This week we will have fun with angry bird characters helping them get to the pig, but we will have to watch out for obstacles.
- **2nd-** Students will learn how to create a fun clicking game in Scratch. They will learn how to program objects to appear and disappear. When an object is clicked it will disappear and when the game is started they will reappear. With extra time they will get to play the games they created.
- **3rd-** Students will learn how to code for basic user control in Scratch. We will learn how to program our main characters to move in all directions when students use the arrow keys on their keyboard. The animation then will allow the hero (main character) to fly while using the arrow keys to move them.
- **4th & 5th-** Students will move into our next Python project. They will begin coding a fun trivia game. Students can choose to have a general theme or have their trivia focus on one specific



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topic. We will begin by creating an intro to the game and then set up our code to ask a question and give three options as an answer. We will then code so that the person playing the game can give an answer.

**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.

- [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](mailto:psw@smmK12.org))
2. Password= Your school ID# (child's lunch number) New Families who need their student ID can email [MichaeleWard@smmusd.org](mailto:MichaeleWard@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" 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](mailto:webstersupport@smmusd.org) technical support (i.e. Passwords, usernames, Chromebook repair)[michaele.ward@smmusd.org](mailto:michaele.ward@smmusd.org) for enrollment and attendance. [iterry@smmusd.org](mailto:iterry@smmusd.org) for general office related questions. [khouseman@smmusd.org](mailto:khouseman@smmusd.org) and [yhernandez@smmusd.org](mailto:yhernandez@smmusd.org) for health records, immunizations and health office questions.



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**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](http://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, and programs are open to Malibu residents. Registration will take place online, [MalibuCity.org/Register](http://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.](#)





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**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:

- SMART Girls A virtual workshop dedicated to helping girls develop higher self-esteem, effective 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

- Power Hour "Homework Help" & Tutoring Zoom Link (Tues/Thurs 3-4PM)  
<https://bgcmalibu.zoom.us/j/95808140175?pwd=MzhsQIR6MmNBaVN4cmdLNjByYzBCUT09> Passcode: 402635

- 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](mailto: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](mailto: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:**





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**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.

