



MALIBU MIDDLE SCHOOL MONDAY MESSAGE – DECEMBER 8, 2025

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION:

2026 STUDENT ART EXHIBIT: “Next-Gen Perspectives” invites student artists to explore and express the world through their own eyes. From moments of joy, sadness, and discovery, to reflections on the past or hope for the future - this theme celebrates the creative voices of the next generation. Accepted mediums include collages, drawings, painting, pastels, photography, and sculptures. The exhibit will be on display January 26 - March 6, 2026 at eh Malibu City Gallery. Apply online by Friday December 19, 2025 at <https://malibucity.org/studentart>

HELP THE AGOURA ANIMAL SHELTER THIS HOLIDAY SEASON: Pets looking for their forever homes need your help this holiday season (and always!) Donations are needed for homeless dogs, cats, bunnies, and other animals at the Agoura Animal Shelter. The shelter needs dog food, cat food, dog and cat beds with removable covers, kongs, toys, brushes, towels, small blankets, spray bottles, gift cards to Chewy, PetCo, PetSmart, Target, Costco, etc. and many other items. Please bring your donations to Mrs. Deshautelle's classroom, C-201, or leave them in the collection box in the main office. Thank you so much for helping animals in need and if you are looking for a new furry family member, please consider saving a deserving animal's life and adopting from a shelter!

THIS WEEK AT MMS:

PRN COFFEE & DONUTS: The SMMUSD **Parent Resource Network** of Malibu is hosting a Coffee & Donuts meetup for all parents of Special Education students, or students with IEPs. This is an opportunity to meet other parents, share resources, and support one another. Malibu PRN representatives, plus special guest Jillian Bucciero, Assistant Special Ed Director, will be there to answer any questions about the Special Ed program, and the IEP process. The PRN meetups, held once a month, are a great way to meet parents who may share your experiences. Please join us at **Malibu Middle School, Wednesday, December 10, 9-10am**. Please direct any questions to denise.prn.smmusd@gmail.com

WINTER MUSIC SERIES: Our upcoming winter music performances conclude with our Choir Concert on Thursday, December 11th.

POMS: The next POMS meeting will take place on Friday, December 12th at 9:00 am in the Parent Center.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

FINAL EXAMS/END OF GRADING PERIOD: Final exams and culminating tasks are scheduled for Wednesday, **December 17th (Periods 1 and 4), Thursday, December 18th (Periods 2 and 5) and Friday, December 19th (Periods 3 and 6) with dismissal at 1:30pm all 3 days**. There will not be early or late finals. All families are reminded to schedule personal trips around our school calendar and ensure students are in school daily.

WINTER FINALS SCHEDULE:

Period	Time
W, TH, F	
1, 2, 3	8:40 - 10:45
Break	10:45 - 11:15
4, 5, 6	11:20 - 1:30

WINTER BREAK: Malibu Middle School and all SMMUSD schools will be closed starting **Monday, December 22, 2025 through Friday, January 2, 2025.**

SECONDARY PUPIL FREE DAY: Monday, January 5th is a staff work day for our secondary schools. While elementary school students at Webster and MES return on 1/5/23, this is a pupil free day for MMS and MHS students. MMS students return to school Tuesday, January 6th.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

MEF TREE LOT: Get Your Holiday Tree at the MEF Tree Lot Support Malibu schools by purchasing your holiday tree at the MEF Tree Lot! Don't miss our big events: Community Night & Holiday Market on December 12 and Dick Van Dyke's 100th Birthday Celebration on December 13. Students can also sign up to volunteer. This year launches our pilot student-led model, giving Malibu students a hands-on leadership and business experience. Malibu Middle and High School students are encouraged to volunteer. More Information at www.malibueducationfoundation.org

THE SHARK FUND STILL NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT! We're still a bit short of our annual goal, and while we'll be launching a New Year giving drive in January, you don't need to wait to make an impact. Every donation—of any size—helps fund the staff and programs our students rely on every day. If you haven't had a chance to give yet, please consider making your contribution now to strengthen academics, arts, athletics, counseling, and classroom support across all Malibu schools. Donate at www.thesharkfundmalibu.org

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MALIBU TEEN CENTER:

Boys & Girls Club of Malibu is committed to youth and community resilience by providing a supportive and inclusive environment where children can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. Through exceptional customer service and impactful after-school programs, we focus on academic success, character development, and health and wellness, catering to the unique needs of Malibu's youth. By addressing the needs of families, we foster a sense of safety, support, and community engagement, promoting a brighter future for all!

BGCM

- **ACADEMIC YEAR ENROLLMENT FOR GRADES 6TH-12TH.** BGCM is committed to providing a curriculum that will include a variety of activities geared towards fun, educational, and social experiences.
 - Due to the impact the fire has had on our community, the Teen Center is offering a No cost membership by entering UNIQUE CODE:

TEENMEMBERSHIP25. [Click here](#) to enroll and see the attached letter for personal testimonial that highlights some of the benefits of joining the Club! ***Please note, you will still need to enter your CC information to process the application, but if the UNIQUE CODE is entered, you will not be charged.***

- Programs include: Kindness Is Free, Manners Matter, Brent's Club, Managers in Training, Career Launch, social emotional wellness, STEM based projects, arts & crafts, and more!

- **PROGRAMS**

- **BRENT'S CLUB ON CAMPUS:** Brent's Club is where peers come together to support one another, learn about living healthy and drug-free lifestyles, and build leadership skills for the future. Through fun activities and open conversations, members strengthen friendships, explore positive choices, and take an active role in creating a safe, supportive school community. Next meeting: Monday, December 8 — during lunch (lunch is included!) For more information, contact:

hannahmatheson@bgcmalibu.org

WELLNESS

- **BGCM Wellness Center** provides no-cost mental health counseling and social support services to our school community. The Wellness Center also provides **FREE** academic tutoring in **Math, Chemistry, English, and Social Sciences** through our **partnership with Pepperdine**, available during the support period and after school at Malibu High School. Stop by to explore the space, meet our new Wellness Center team, and make an appointment for any of our services! [Click here](#) to learn more and email wellnessinfo@bgcmalibu.org or call 310-457-0360 ext 60146 to request services for you/your child.
- **BGCM Long Term Disaster Recovery Services:** The Boys & Girls Club of Malibu Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) in partnership with The Malibu Community Long Term Recovery Group (MCLTRG) is here to support Palisades and Franklin Fire survivors with long-term recovery services. Our dedicated Care Coordination Team is ready to assist those who qualify with:
 - Personalized recovery planning: We will collaborate to identify your most pressing current and ongoing needs, creating a recovery plan tailored to your individual situation.
 - Resource connection: We will help you access the latest available support and resources by assessing your individual needs and connecting you to available resources based on qualifying criteria.
 - Advocacy: You won't navigate this alone. By understanding community needs, we can advocate for increased financial resources for the community.

To be connected with a Care Coordinator, please email drc@bgcmalibu.org.

Please expect to hear from someone on our team within 2-5 business days