



SOMOS MAXWELL

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Robert Crawford, Principal

What have you been reading? I am sure that if everyone responded to this question we would be able to compile a lengthy list of engaging and diverse books. More important than the "what" is the fact that you are reading. Research points to the benefits of reading and the impact that it has on a family. Specifically, having reading role-model parents or a large book collection at home has a greater impact on kids' reading frequency than does a household income. (Kids and Family Reading Report, 4th Edition). If you need some motivation to help you get family literacy started in your home, consider the [20 for 20 Family Reading Challenge](#).

This week at Maxwell we will be celebrating the joy of reading! Several events are planned to accentuate the importance of reading and the positive outcomes that can occur through literacy. On Tuesday, students will participate in classroom read-in activities with community representatives as part of Black History Month. On Wednesday, the Maxwell

Book Fair officially opens. On Thursday, Maxwell students and staff will gussy up in clothing from the Wild West to coincide with the theme of this year's Family Reading Night.

The Family Reading Night is intended as a family engagement event in which students and their families can explore the Maxwell Book Fair together, while interacting with targeted activities. Food trucks will be available to facilitate meal planning on that night. Likewise, prizes will be distributed through random drawings. Finally, we will have a special surprise guest who will be reading with us! We hope that you and your family will be able to join us for this special event!

Lastly, please know that Maxwell mourns with the nation as we reflect on the events in Florida. Please see this newsletter for assurances and resources. Thank you for your partnership as we continue to strive to provide the best learning opportunities and outcomes for the students of Maxwell!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, February 19: Presidents Day (No School)

Wednesday, February 21: Book Fair Begins

Thursday, February 22: Family Reading Night 5:30-7:30

Friday, March 2: Award Ceremony & Breakfast with the Principals

The Book Fair Is Coming!

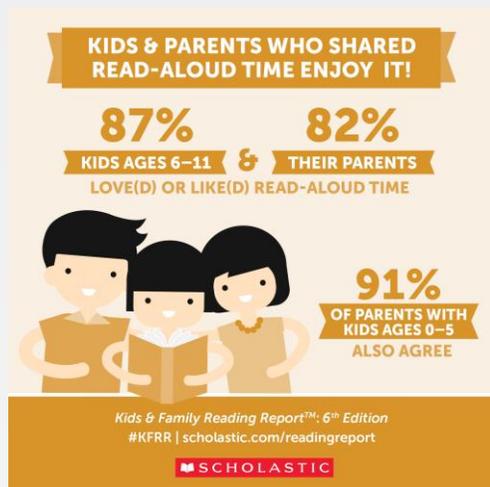
Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits.

- Book Fair dates: February 21- March 1
- Shopping hours: 7:15-3:00
- Special activities: **Book Fair/Family Reading Night is Thursday, February 22 from 5:30-7:30**

Our Book Fair theme is Wild West. This season's Book Fair will be a fun wilderness adventure full of exciting activities and books.

We need your help to pull this off! Please visit the [Online Book Fair Site](#) to sign up to volunteer. Or you can email [Sr. Mato](#). Volunteers receive a 25% discount on any items they purchase on the day they work.

Thank you for all of your support and help!



In the Community

The 2018 E-Day celebration at the University of Kentucky in Lexington is on Saturday, Feb. 24, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. EST. Go to the website to learn more about this unique and free opportunity for students.

<http://www.engr.uky.edu/eday/>

Maxwell Escuela de Inmersión en Español is a learning community committed to: equity, proficiency for all, and Spanish language acquisition empowering students for success in a global society.

Maxwell Elementary, Escuela de Inmersión en Español, es una comunidad de aprendizaje comprometida con la igualdad, la competencia académica para todos y la adquisición de la lengua española con el fin de que sus alumnos tengan éxito en una sociedad global.

Maxwell Safety

Safety is a priority for the students and staff of Maxwell. We maintain a commitment to ensure a safe and secure learning environment for all. As we reflect upon recent national events, we will continue to examine our current practices and procedures to ensure that they are appropriate and responsive. During the March 2 Breakfast with the Principals we will discuss our commitment to safety and will highlight relevant updates. We respect the right of families to conduct conversations about the recent events as they see appropriate. With that noted, please know that Mrs. MacDonald is available to speak with your child. Likewise, please see [here](#) some resources that might assist you with your family discussions.

Yearbooks

YEARBOOKS are on sale online. Go to the following link https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/YBStore/yearbookStoreMain.asp?yearbook_id=27153&product_id=17007 to purchase.

FOOD TRUCKS...PIZZA...MUSIC...CARNIVAL...
AUCTION...BAKE SALE...COOKBOOK SALES...
FACE PAINTING...& MORE...

SAVE THE DATE

TASTE OF MAXWELL
FRIDAY, APRIL 20TH

COMING SOON
2018 TOM COOKBOOK RECIPE REQUESTS
2018 TOM AUCTION INFORMATION

TASTE OF MAXWELL COOKBOOK

Maxwell PTA is excited to announce the addition of the
2018 TOM COOKBOOK to this year's event.

Help us showcase Maxwell's community, culture, and diversity by
submitting your family recipe today at:

<https://createmycookbook.com/groups/uYMd3PTem>.

(please use the following categories: entree, appetizer, dessert, side dish)

RECIPE DEADLINE IS MARCH 10TH

Proceeds will be used by Maxwell PTA to benefit the school.

