



LA NOCHE LATINA 2018

SOMOS MAXWELL

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Del Escritorio del Director

Robert Crawford, Principal

Maxwell ended the week with great celebration and recognition of student achievement and performance!

Friday started with our monthly celebration and student recognition ceremony. Our 5th grade students took us on an *enchanted* tour of Puerto Rico by presenting short skits that they had written in Spanish, highlighting famous places and attributes of the island nation. The celebration continued with the school joining in unison to sing a song about the island's native frog. The ceremony concluded with student recognitions as presented through our monthly awards, the honor roll, and the announcement of the winners of the PTA Reflection art contest. Way to go Maxwell students! ¡Somos Maxwell!

Friday evening brought our school community back together to celebrate culture and art through La Noche Latina. Students participated in classroom activities that fused elements of el Día de los Muertos and Halloween. This year student pieces from the PTA Reflection art contest were on display in the cafeteria

during the event. Finally, at the end of the evening students and families gathered in the gym for an all school dance. What a great way to end a very special Maxwell day!

Earlier in the week report cards were distributed that reflected student progress related to the first nine weeks. Please see communication from your child's teacher regarding the scheduling options for fall conferences.

This week the administration again partnered with the Maxwell PTA to host *el Desayuno con los Directores* or *Breakfast with the Principals*. We reviewed the results of the perceptual data collected from students and families via surveys last month. We also discussed opportunities for extracurricular activities. Please see this memo for additional information.

Thank you to all families for your partnership as we continue to strive to provide the best learning opportunities and outcomes for the students of Maxwell. We continue our journey... *Unidos en una misión hacia la excelencia*



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, October 30: Character Dress Day (See Grade Level Communication for Specifics)

Tuesday, November 6: Election Day (No School)

Wednesday, November 7: Picture Make-Up Day

Character Dress Day

Classes across the school will be celebrating a character dress day on **Tuesday, October 30**. Communication regarding the specifics for the dress day in your child's classroom will be communicated by your child's grade level. Please be sure to pay close attention to any restrictions and to note the instructional connections with the activity.

WMAX News Show

The award-winning WMAX news show is back! The program is produced weekly by students and features special interviews, reoccurring segments, and celebratory information. WMAX is presented each Friday to the entire school. Please take some time to watch the most recent episodes for this year! You can view the program by following this [link](#). New shows are added weekly to the school's website and can be accessed from the front page. Way to go WMAX!



Morning Safety

Safety is the priority as we look at all of our procedures. We want everyone to have a safe arrival to school. Please find below important tips that are intended to keep you and your child safe during the morning drop-off. Thank you for helping us to have a safe year!

- ⇒ The building doors open at 7:15 a.m. daily and staff will be present to welcome your child to the building.
- ⇒ When dropping off your child in the car lane please pull up as far as possible. Staff will assist your child in exiting the vehicle.
- ⇒ For your safety, please observe the no U-turn sign at the drop-off lane.
- ⇒ Please be mindful if you park across the street and walk your child to the building that you do not inadvertently block a driveway or other vehicle.
- ⇒ Please only use the designated crosswalk to cross the street. The crossing guard is here to assist to make sure that children and families safely navigate the traffic.
- ⇒ Announcements start at 7:40 this year and classroom instruction officially begins at 7:45. Any student arriving after this time will need to sign in at the office.

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.

Extracurricular Activities

During the recent *Breakfast with the Principals* we discussed extracurricular activities and clubs. Maxwell currently offers a variety of activities and clubs that are sponsored by teachers in the school. We are always looking for additional opportunities to offer meaningful educational experiences for students beyond the regular school day. In an effort to identify student interest and family support, we have developed a short survey. Please take some time to complete the interest survey so that we might increase our offerings for the second semester. <https://goo.gl/forms/ZxDzZdqVFk1JA9Wn1>



Parent Resources

Thank you for supporting your child's participation in special dress days last week to coincide with KY SAFE Schools Week. The Kentucky Center for School Safety has compiled some parent resources to enable parents to have meaningful conversation with their children regarding school and internet safety. Please find below a link to the resources:

<https://www.kycss.org/ssw.php#students-parents>



In the Community

Los Amigos meeting: October 29, 6:00-7:00 pm in the Bryan Station Middle School Media Center. Los Amigos is the booster organization for the Spanish Immersion Program at all levels (K-12). Come learn how Los Amigos can help each school strengthen the entire SIP program.