



SOMOS MAXWELL

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Del Escritorio del Director

Robert Crawford, Principal

As we prepare for a short instructional week and the upcoming break, we recognize the special community and family engagement opportunities for which we engaged this past week!

On Monday and Tuesday, Maxwell families gathered to participate in the annual Thanksgiving lunches. Over 350 tickets were issued during the two days! Thank you for participating in this annual event that brings the Maxwell community together!

This week families also actively engaged in the PTA Weird Science Night. The event provided learners an opportunity to interact with a variety of science-based stations. Thank you to the PTA for sponsoring this unique learning experience. In this newsletter please find information from the PTA regarding school spirit apparel and how you can support the PTA and school as you shop.

While at the school this week, I hope you were able to observe the rolling slide show featured on the foyer and gym screens as part of our Veterans Day instruction and

commemoration. Thank you to all the families who submitted pictures and information about the service provided by Maxwell family members. We appreciate and honor the commitment that these individuals have made.

Looking toward the last week of November, the Maxwell administration is pleased to partner with the Maxwell PTA to host an open forum via *Evening with the Principals*. The event follows the same format of *el Desayuno con los Directores* or *Breakfast with the Principals*. We hope to see you the evening of November 29!

As we enter this season of giving and gratitude, Maxwell is pleased to again participate in the United Way Sweet Dreams campaign. Please see this memo for information about how you can contribute to this important effort.

Thank you to all families for your ongoing 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

Wednesday, November 21-Friday, November 23: No School- Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, November 29: Evening with the Principals (6:00 pm)

Friday, November 30: Monthly School Celebration (8:15 am)

¡Feliz Día de Acción De Gracias!

We hope you and your family have a wonderful Thanksgiving! Please note that the next *Somos Maxwell* will be issued on December 2.



Personal Electronic Devices

Maxwell is continuing to seek opportunities to increase the number of electronic school devices available for students to use for instructional purposes. With that noted, for the protection of personal electronic devices, we ask that students not use their own at school.

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!



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.

Evening with the Principals

On Thursday, November 29 we will host *Evening with the Principals*. The event is an evening version of our *Breakfast with the Principals*. This reoccurring meeting targets specific topics for discussion as related to the overall vision and focus of the school. The event will start at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria and will conclude at 7:00 pm. Light snacks will be provided by the PTA. This month's agenda will cover the following topics:

- ⇒ Extracurricular Survey Results & Plans
- ⇒ School Improvement Update
- ⇒ Live School
- ⇒ Instructional Supports

Maxwell is pleased to again participate in Sweet Dreams. Last year our students contributed:

*120 pairs of pajamas * Over 1,400 snacks *150 books
*500 tubes of toothpaste *150 toothbrushes



 What to Drop Off	 Collection Dates
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Pajamas Youth sizes S-XL for Boys and Girls ★ Books Reading levels K-4 ★ Toothpaste Travel sized toothpaste tubes ★ Individually Packaged Snacks Individually wrapped, nonperishable food like Easy Mac, granola bars, peanut butter crackers, fruit cups, etc. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Drop off @ Maxwell Nov. 19 — Dec. 3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">11/30 is PAJAMA DAY!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Wear your PJ's and bring a pair to share with a child in need!</i></p>

PTA News

Support Maxwell this holiday season!

Amazon Smile works the same way as Amazon. Use smile.amazon.com when you shop (use your regular Amazon log-in and password). Assign MAXWELL ELEMENTARY PTA as your charity of choice. Amazon donates a portion of sales to us. All \$ goes directly to support Maxwell staff, equipment, events, supplies, and more. Use smile.amazon.com every time you shop!

Warm up with a Maxwell sweater!

We have several cold-weather options available. Check out <http://www.varsityprintshop.com/maxwell-elementary/> for the entire selection. Bonus: all shirts are delivered to the school so you don't have to pay shipping costs!