



FLAGS FROM PARADE OF NATIONS

# SOMOS MAXWELL

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## Del Escritorio del Director

Robert Crawford, Principal

This past Friday was a special day for Maxwell as we gathered together to participate in the annual *Desfile de Naciones* or *Parade of Nations*. The program began with a video presentation of 5<sup>th</sup> graders explaining differences in seasons and weather as related to the hemispheres. The event continued as students and staff paraded across the stage, each representing their countries of heritage. Each delegation carried an official and a smaller student-produced version of their flag. The smaller versions were placed in a decorated pot that is now on display in the building foyer. During the event we were joined by special guests, FCPS Equity Officer, Darryl Thompson and FCPS Board Member & President, Stephanie Aschmann Spire. The guest panel was presented with questions posed by our 5<sup>th</sup> grade student. One question inquired about what we could do to make the world better. Mr. Thompson provided a poignant response by indicating that we could achieve this goal through love. Our celebration ended with the entire school singing the appropriate anthem of *De Colores*. Our collective commitment to honoring our diverse heritages and

contributions is what makes Maxwell a special community of learners.

The window for the Magnet/Special Programs application and the lottery to enter Maxwell is still open. This newsletter contains a link to the application. Please note that families must complete the application in order for their child to be included in the lottery for kindergarten for the 2020-21 school year.

Materials for the annual PTA Reflections contest have been distributed. Please see this newsletter for details and information about afterschool art sessions.

This week marks the official Maxwell Picture Day. We also enter into the FCPS Fall Break.

Thank you for your partnership as we continue to strive to provide the best learning opportunities and outcomes for the students of Maxwell. We are excited for this school year and all the possibilities that it brings because...*Juntos mejoramos el mundo.*



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, October 1: Picture Day

Thursday, October 3 & Friday, October 4: Fall Break

Friday, October 11-Friday, October 18: PTA Fundraiser

## School Picture Day

Tuesday is school picture day! Please look for a reminder to come home on Monday.



## Running Club

Congratulations to the Maxwell Running Club for their performance at the Area 6 regionals! The Girls K-2 team placed as the overall champions for their division. The Boys K-2 team placed 3<sup>rd</sup>. Additionally, several medals were awarded to Maxwell students. Congratulations to all of the participants!

## From the Handbook...

Regular student attendance is important to the learning process. When a student returns from an absence a written note needs to be turned in to the office within three days of the absence. These should be turned in immediately at morning arrival time. Notes may also be e-mailed to [karen.holm-hudson@fayette.kyschools.us](mailto:karen.holm-hudson@fayette.kyschools.us) or faxed to 859-381-3517. Acceptable excuses include the following:

- Illness with doctor's note (no limit)
- Illness without doctor's note (10 allowed)
- Death in the family
- Religious holidays
- Family emergencies (3 allowed)
- Educational Enhancement (10 days total with prior approval)

## Fall Break

Do not forget that school will not be in session on Thursday or Friday in observation of the FCPS Fall Break. We hope you have a wonderful time with your family during these days!



*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.*

## Reflections Art Contest has started!

The PTA is offering FREE PROJECT TIMES again this year. Your child can stay after school once per week to work on an art project for the contest. All grades and abilities are welcome. The PTA will provide the supplies and guidance.

The next project times are OCTOBER 1<sup>st</sup> and OCTOBER 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:45p-3:45p! Email [ptamaxwellreflections@gmail.com](mailto:ptamaxwellreflections@gmail.com) 3 days before the date if you want your child to stay after school and work on their art project! Questions? Email [ptamaxwellreflections@gmail.com](mailto:ptamaxwellreflections@gmail.com).

DEADLINE for all Reflections submissions is October 16th.



## FCPS Magnet/Special Programs Application

**Online application** | The 2019 window is **Aug. 15 to Oct. 7** for the 2020-21 school year. Please note that the system is not a first-come, first-served system. Applications may be submitted anytime during the window, and all receive equal consideration. Please note that families will need to complete an application for any children who they would like to enroll in the program for kindergarten. You must have an application on file for your child to be considered for the lottery.



**SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 11-18**

# **MAXWELL PTA MARIPOSA FUN-RAISER**



- **ALL DONATIONS STAY AT MAXWELL**
- **KICKOFF ASSEMBLY HOSTED BY UK 'S COACH MITCHELL**
- **BENEFITTING PTA PROGRAMS AND THE PLAYGROUND FUND**

**MORE DETAILS TO  
COME ON  
OCTOBER 10TH!**

## **DID YOU KNOW ?**

### **The Maxwell PTA...**

Spends \$4,000+ every year to fund IXL for every student at Maxwell

Contributes at least \$6,000 every year to our Art, Music, Library, and Physical Education programs

Sponsors Family Programs such as Yoga Night, Weird Science Night, and Taste of Maxwell

Safeguards \$23,000 in its Playground Fund but has set a total goal of \$80,000 for the playground renovation

