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Del Escritorio del Director

Robert Crawford, Principal

As we bring closure to the month of October, several events are scheduled this week that will celebrate student success and culture!

Tomorrow report cards will be distributed in order to communicate student progress. Additionally, students in grades 4-5 will receive their individual score report for last May's KPREP test. Please contact your child's teacher if you have questions.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, 3rd grade students will continue the process of taking the CogAT and IOWA assessments.

Maxwell is pleased to enter into a second year of archery. A special meeting will be conducted tomorrow for interested families. Please see this newsletter for details about how your 4th or 5th grade student may be part of this experience. This newsletter also contains information about a forthcoming chess opportunity.

This Friday will be marked by a series of special activities. To start, we will be sponsoring a school-wide character dress day. Please see specific guidelines from your child's teacher. Next, we will hold our

first award ceremony and grade-level cultural presentation for the year. Finally, on the same day, the Maxwell administration will again partner with the Maxwell PTA to host *el Desayuno con los Directores* or *Breakfast with the Principals*. This event is designed in a format to provide the administration an opportunity to dialogue with families regarding relevant school topics. We hope to see you on Friday!

A special IC message was communicated last week that shared information about how your student may participate in the special festivities that will occur on November 1st at the Living Arts and Science Center. This year's La Noche Latina for Maxwell has been merged into this local community event. Please see this newsletter for additional information.

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

Monday, October 28: Report Cards Distributed

Tuesday, October 29 & Wednesday, October 30: 3rd Grade CogAT and IOWA Testing

Friday, November 1: Award Ceremony and Breakfast with the Principals

Friday, November 1: La Noche Latina at the Living Arts and Science Center (5:00 pm)

From the Handbook...

Safety is the priority and we want all students and families to have a safe and positive arrival and departure to and from school. Please see some guidelines below to help.

-When dropping off your child in the car lane, please pull up as far as possible to maximize the number of vehicles that are able to enter the lane.

-For your safety, please observe the no U-turn sign at the drop-off lane.

- We ask that you 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.

-Maxwell is located at a busy intersection, please be mindful and considerate of the many pedestrians and bicyclists who are traveling through the area in the morning.

-Please be sure not to double park or pull into the drop-off lane from an outside lane.

Archery Opportunity

Once again, Maxwell will be offering an archery club for 4th and 5th grade students who are interested in participating. Practices will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:00-4:00 beginning the week of November 4. There is a MANDATORY parent meeting in order for students to participate in the club, and two meeting time options will be offered on Monday, October 28. Parents can come from either 3:00-4:00 OR 6:00-7:00 on that date. The meetings will be held in Room 219. If you have any questions, please email Mr. Brewer (adam.brewer@fayette.kyschools.us) or Mr. Cornett (eric.cornett@fayette.kyschools.us).

Chess Club

Maxwell has an opportunity to establish a chess club. Tentative plans are for the club to operate after school on Thursdays. The club would be open to students in grades 2 -5. For planning purposes, at this time we are trying to gauge the current level of interest for the club. If this club would be of interest to your student, please send an e-mail to Ms. Amanda Heltzel (Maxwell Science Lab Teacher) amanda.heltzel@fayette.kyschools.us.

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.

FRC Holiday Assistance

If you are in need of assistance for the holidays, please take a moment to review the application provided [here](#) by our FRC.

el Desayuno con los Directores

This Friday we will once again hold *Breakfast with the Principals*. This reoccurring monthly event targets specific topics for discussion as related to the overall vision and focus of the school. The event will start after the conclusion of the award ceremony around 9:00 a.m. and will take place in the cafeteria with light breakfast items to be provided by the PTA. This month's agenda will cover the following topics:

- ⇒ School Improvement Process/Accountability Update
- ⇒ Questions & Dialogue



La Noche Latina at the Living Arts & Science Center

On November 1st, Día de los Muertos is celebrated in many Spanish-speaking countries. This year Maxwell families have the opportunity to join the celebration by participating in the annual [Day of the Dead Festival organized by the Living Arts and Science Center](#). Every year, altars are constructed to commemorate family members, famous artists, groups of people, etc. Maxwell will create an altar in honor of our planet Earth.



Maxwell students have been working in Spanish Culture class on creating artwork that will be displayed at the altar. Workshops for students, performances, exhibitions, etc. are some of the activities scheduled for the celebration on November 1 from 5pm to 9pm. at the Living Arts and Science Center, (362 N Martin Luther King Blvd, Lexington, KY 40508), a nonprofit organization from our community.

Monarch butterflies created by Lexington students will be displayed on the fence of the Old Episcopal Burying Ground, located behind LASC building where altars will be installed.

Maxwell 2nd grade student will sing the song "El Carnavalito del Ciempiés" at 6pm by the altar at the Old Episcopal Burying Ground cemetery. All Maxwell students are welcome to sing along with them!

We invite you to join us during this important cultural celebration by enjoying the activities organized by LASC and visiting the altar created with the Maxwell artwork produced by our students. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email Sr. Mato david.mato@fayette.kyschools.us.