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Robert Crawford, Principal

Welcome back from the break! I hope that you and your family had both restful and meaningful experiences during that special time. To transition smoothly back to school after the break, this week at Maxwell students and staff reviewed classroom procedures and school wide expectations. We will continue to focus on these areas as we move forward into 2020 with a fresh start and renewed energy!

This week report cards pertinent to progress from the 2nd quarter of school will be distributed on Wednesday. Please look for this forthcoming communication about individual student learning. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you have any questions.

The overall health and wellness of students is the primary concern of the school. This week's newsletter contains a link to a FCPS document that provides guidance regarding when you should keep your child home if you suspect he or she is sick. Let's start 2020 healthy!

Now that we are in the second semester, we start to look toward initial planning for the next year. On Friday, the district will communicate with incoming kindergarten families regarding acceptance into the program. If you or a friend have a younger child entering the program, please look for a communication from FCPS on that day. Please remember that you have seven days to respond to the invitation. Maxwell will host an open house for new families this month.

Our PTA is again coordinating the REAL program. See how you can volunteer in this newsletter.

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 the continuation of this school year and all the possibilities that it brings because...*Juntos mejoramos el mundo.*



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, January 15: Report Card Distribution

Friday, January 17: Notifications of Acceptance for New Families

Monday, January 20: MLK Day (No School)

Handbook Spotlight...

Arrival: Safety is the priority and we want all students to have a safe and positive arrival to school. The building opens at 7:15 a.m. daily and staff members are present to greet your child as they enter the building. 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. Staff members will be available to assist your child in exiting the vehicle. For your safety, please observe the no U-turn sign at the drop-off lane. We also ask that you please 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.

Announcements start at 7:40 a.m. and classroom instruction officially begins at 7:45 a.m. Any students arriving after 7:45 a.m. is tardy and will need to be signed in at the office by an adult.

5th Grade MS Intention

In the first week of December the 5th grade was visited by representatives from BSMS. In preparation for next year, the administration at BSMS is attempting to capture enrollment intentions. If you are a 5th grade family and have not completed the form, please take a moment to provide this information in the online form by Monday afternoon.

<https://forms.gle/cD8q73DpACewzYCT6>

WMAX News Show

The WMAX news 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 <http://bit.ly/maxwellshow19>. New shows are added weekly to the school's website and can be accessed from the front page.



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.

Keeping Everyone Healthy

With the winter comes inevitable sickness. During the FCPS Winter Break, Maxwell conducted a concentrated cleaning of door handles, rails, bathrooms, and floors in an effort to sanitize the building. FCPS has developed some guidelines to consider before sending your child to school if you think he or she might be sick. Please consult the link below as we strive to keep all students and staff healthy this season!

https://www.fcps.net/cms/lib/KY01807169/Centricity/Domain/2295/stay_home.pdf

Maxwell PTA News

This year, Maxwell is again participating in the district reading program, R.E.A.L. Read. Mentors will go to the same classroom once a month for four months, starting in January. Scheduling is flexible - times will depend upon the mentor's availability and the teacher's class schedule.

If you know a dad, grandpa, cousin, uncle, or community member that would like to mentor a class please complete the link below:

<https://forms.gle/RrcHoYktPXG7ikmN7>



*All mentors are required to fill out a FCPS volunteer background check.

If you're interested in helping the PTA plan and execute our spring event, Taste of Maxwell, please

email ptamaxwell@gmail.com. We need lots of help to make this event a success.

