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MAXEY Messenger



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Important Dates for the Remainder of the Year

- Mon., Jan. 21: No School -- Schools will be Closed
Fri., Jan. 25: Report Cards go home with Students
Tues., Jan. 29: Early Release Day (PLC)
Grades 1-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
A.M. Knd.: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 11:14 a.m.
P.M. Knd.: Start at 12:04 p.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
ECSE: No School -- Parent Contact Day
- Jan. 29-30: 4th Grade State Writing Exam
Mon., Feb. 18: No School for Elementary Students -- Teacher Plan Day
Thurs., Feb. 21: Traditional Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:45-6:45 p.m.
Tues., Feb. 26: Early Release Day (PLC)
Grades 1-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
A.M. Knd.: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 11:14 a.m.
P.M. Knd.: Start at 12:04 p.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
ECSE: No School -- Parent Contact Day
- Thurs., Feb. 28: Traditional Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:45-6:45 p.m.
Mon., March 10: PTO Executive Committee Meeting (Conference Room) 6:00 p.m.
PTO General Meeting (Multipurpose Room) 7:00 p.m.
Thurs., March 13: Maxey Science Fair
Thurs., March 13: Kindergarten Registration (Office Conference Room) 8:00am-6:00pm
Fri., March 14: Kindergarten Registration (Office Conference Room) 8:00am-4:30pm
Mon., March 17: 5th Grade Parent/Student Info Night at Lux 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Tues., March 18: Early Release Day (PLC)
Grades 1-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
A.M. Knd.: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 11:14 a.m.
P.M. Knd.: Start at 12:04 p.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
ECSE: No School -- Parent Contact Day
- Wed., March 19: ECSE Parent Contact Day -- No School for ECSE Students
Thurs., March 20: End of 3rd Quarter
Tues., April 1: LPS Pfizer Science Fair (Pershing Center) 5:00 p.m.
Wed., April 9: Report Cards go home with Students
Thurs., April 17: Maxey Art Fair (Gym/Multipurpose Room) 4:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Sat., April 19: "The MAX" Fundraiser

Tues., April 22: 5th Grade Visit/Lunch at Lux 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Mon., April 28: ECSE Parent Contact Day -- No School for ECSE Students

Tues., April 29: Early Release Day (PLC)

Grades 1-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.

A.M. Knd.: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 11:14 a.m.

P.M. Knd.: Start at 12:04 p.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.

ECSE: No School -- Parent Contact Day

Tues., April 29: 5th Grade Band Concert for Students (M.P. Room) 9:15 – 10:45 a.m.

5th Grade Band Concert for Parents (M.P. Room) 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Fri., May 9: 5th Grade Outdoor Education Day

Thurs., May 8: Orchestra Concert for Students (M.P. Room) 2:15-3:00 p.m.

Orchestra Concert for Parents (M.P. Room) 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Mon., May 12: PTO Executive Committee Meeting (Conference Room) 6:00 p.m.

PTO General Meeting (Multipurpose Room) 7:00 p.m.

Fri., May 23: ECSE Parent Contact Day -- No School for ECSE Students

Tues., May 27: Early Release Day (PLC)

Grades 1-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.

A.M. Knd.: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 11:14 a.m.

P.M. Knd.: Start at 12:04 p.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.

ECSE: No School -- Parent Contact Day

Fri., May 30: End of 4th quarter, Report Cards go home with Students

Monday, January 21

Just a reminder that this coming Monday, January 21 in observance of Martin Luther King Day, there is no school, the office will be closed, and there will be no custodians on duty.

Maxey Chess Club Begins January 28th For All Students In Grades 1-5

The Maxey Chess Club makes its first move Monday, January 28. The club is open to all students regardless of experience in grades 1-5. The second semester club meets the following 14 Mondays from 3:38-5:00 in the Maxey Annex: January 28; February 4, 11, 25; March 3, 10, 17, 31; April 7, 14, 28, and May 5, 12, and 19.

Maxey Chess Club is taught for the eighth year by Ken Kiewra, a UNL educational psychology professor. The club has won several state chess titles and is the defending champion in both the primary and elementary sections. The second semester registration fee is \$100 and should be paid at the club's first meeting. Checks should be made payable to Ken Kiewra.

Spirit of Giving

Thank you for participating in the Spirit of Giving! There was a tremendous amount of support for the program again this year. Maxey helped out hundreds of families from Hartley, Clinton and Elliott schools. Those families and their school's staff members were very appreciative and amazed at Maxey's generosity.

Maxey families, the 2nd and 3rd grade teachers, paras and staff members sponsored thirty-two families from Hartley, Clinton and Elliott with holiday gifts and food.

Over \$1,100 was raised by the Kindergarten, 1st, and 3rd grade classes. Over \$900 in gift cards and cash was donated by Maxey families and staff too. The monetary funds were divided amongst Hartley, Clinton and Elliott schools. These schools do not have the PTO funds that Maxey does. Nor do they have the amount of miscellaneous items donated by their students as Maxey does. Therefore, the monetary funds will be put to a variety of good and needed uses throughout the school year to benefit as many students as possible.

Over 1200 Smart Chickens were donated by the Monson family and MBA Poultry. Scott Schlatter allowed us to store them in HyVee's freezer prior to delivery.

Numerous hats, gloves, sweats, underwear, socks, and toys were donated as well.

Thank you to all of you who shared your holiday spirit with those who are less fortunate. Together you have made this program a success by helping a great deal of people during the holiday season.

-Doug Jody Wilken
-Sean & Holly Leach

5th Grade Art Project

Dear 5th Grade Parents:

The 5th grade art classes will be beginning their mask-making unit in a couple of weeks. Students will begin designing and embellishing their masks on **Feb 11**. Students are encouraged to bring materials that would make their masks more individualistic and personally unique. If you would like to send extra craft items that you have at home for other students to use in addition to the items your son/daughter will use for their mask, it would be very kind and helpful. Generosity like this is greatly appreciated by many of the students and myself! Please handle the following as you see fit.

The following list includes materials appropriate for the students' mask unit:

Vaseline (for the face when applying the gauze)	Buttons
Feathers	Fur
Beads	Seeds, acorns
*Low temp glue sticks (small round size)	Nuts, Bolts, Screws
Sequins	Seashells
Glitter	Puff paint/Fabric paint
Raffia	Ribbon
Silk flowers/greenery	Bottle caps
Rings from pop can tops	

These materials will need to be brought to art class on or before **Feb. 11**. Thank you for your wonderful support of the art program!

*** If parents or certain family members are crafty and would like to help in the making of the plaster masks, it would be very helpful and greatly appreciated. 5th Grade students will begin making the plasters of the masks on **Feb. 1** and the time frame is from 1:45-2:35pm. If interested, please contact Miss Lenzen at blenzen@lps.org or 436-1153. Thank you!

-Beth Lenzen, Art Specialist