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Important Dates Coming Up:

- Mon., Jan. 12: PTO Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. (Conference Room)
PTO General Meeting 7:00 p.m. (Annex)
- Mon., Jan. 19: NO SCHOOL -- Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Tues., Jan. 20: NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS -- Teacher Work Day
- Tues., Jan. 20: Cici's Pizza Night (percentage of sales go to Maxey)
- Tues., Jan. 27: Early Release Day (PLC)
Grades K-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
ExCITE: Start at 11:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:30 p.m.
- Wed., Jan. 28: Report Cards go home with Students
- Thurs., Feb. 5: Parent Teacher Conferences 3:45-6:45 p.m.
- Thurs., Feb. 12: Parent Teacher Conferences 3:45-6:45 p.m.
- Fri., Feb. 13: Classroom Valentine Parties
- Mon., Feb. 16: NO SCHOOL FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS -- Teacher Work Day
- Tues., Feb. 17: No School for ExCITE Students -- Teacher Staff Development Day
- Tues., Feb. 24: Early Release day (PLC)
Grades K-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
ExCITE: Start at 11:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:30 p.m.
- Mon., March 2: Science Fair Set-Up 3:45-5:45 p.m. (Gym)
- Tues., March 3: Science Fair 6:30-7:30 p.m. (Gym)
- Thurs., March 5: 5th Grade Camp Parent Meeting 6:30-7:00 p.m. (M.P. Room)
- Mon., March 9: PTO Executive Meeting 6:00-7:00 p.m. (Conference Room)
- Mon., March 9: PTO General Meeting 7:00-8:00 p.m. (Annex)
- March 23-27: NO SCHOOL -- SPRING BREAK
- Tues., March 31: Early Release Day (PLC)
Grades K-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
ExCITE: Start at 11:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:30 p.m.

Thanks for Supporting the Spirit of Giving

We want to thank the following families for participating in the Spirit of Giving Program:

Ahlers, Whipple, Olson, Manzito, Kugler, Wahlstrom, Clarke, Lott, Brown, Koch, Wilson, Loose, Meyer, Jones, Reitchmuth, Yager, Oltman, Chaney, Hogue, Colclasure, The 1st Grade Classes, The 2nd and 3rd Grade Teachers, Mrs. Keys' 2nd Grade Class, The

Monarch Press Staff, Mrs. Cade's Kindergarten Class, Mrs. Sorensen's Kindergarten Class, Ms. Freye's Kindergarten Class, Mrs. Lassek's 3rd Grade Class, Mr. Glenn-Hash's 2nd Grade Class, Mr. Thiemann's 4th Grade Class, Mrs. Meyers' 4th Grade Class, The Maxey Office Staff, and we had numerous anonymous gifts. If we missed anyone we apologize.

We would like to acknowledge a special gift from Luke Monson and Makenzie Haskins-Rowe who donated 500 Smart Chickens.

This year only Hartley Elementary had families to sponsor. Our Maxey Families provided food and gifts for ten Hartley families. We had numerous other Maxey families that wanted to sponsor families, but it just could not be arranged with the school. We also provided the school with gift cards and cash to purchase emergency needs for their students.

Clinton wanted to try something different this year and asked for gift cards so that they could give more families a little something during the Christmas Holiday. We received a huge out-pouring of gift cards and cash. Clinton was very pleased with our families' generosity.

We also received four or five dozen shopping bags full of new and used clothes that we divided between the two schools, and donations continue to come in to the Program.

Again, we want to thank our ever-generous Maxey families. The schools and their families were very excited and grateful for the donations.

Chance, Cacey, Jody and Doug Wilken

Winter Has Arrived

The cold and snow has arrived. We remind parents to bundle up their children for outside recess when the air/wind chill temperatures are above 10 degrees. Please remember to label your child's clothing with their name printed on it.

If LPS determines the weather is bad enough to call a "snow day", you will be notified by the "Connect Ed" telephone system implemented last school year. You will receive a call around 5:00 a.m. notifying you of this decision.

Do remember if school is "called off" all LPS night activities are usually canceled or postponed also.

Updating Your Information

In order for us to contact you via "Connect Ed", we need current telephone, cell phone and email addresses. If these have changed since completing the annual census information last August, please send an email to Melanie in the office at mschilo@lps.org with your updated contact information. Please note that the "Connect Ed" system cannot make phone calls to long-distance telephone numbers.

Join the Maxey Chess Club

All Students in first through fifth grade can join the Maxey Chess Club. The club is open to beginners and seasoned players alike. Students can register on January 26th, which is

the first session of the second semester. The cost is \$100.00 for the semester and checks should be made payable to Ken Kiewra, the club's instructor. The club will meet on Mondays from 3:38-5:00 in the Annex on the following 14 dates: January 26; February 2, 9, 23; March 2, 9, 16, 30; April 6, 20, 27; and May 4, 11, 18. Dr. Kiewra, an educational psychology professor at UNL, has instructed the club for 10 years.

Student Medications

With the cold and flu season upon us, here is a reminder about school health policies for administering medication. All medications need to be sent to the Health Office. School personnel can administer medication to a student with a doctor's written prescription and a signed school medication consent form from the student's parent or guardian. Medication must be brought to school in the prescription container with a label stating the student's name, physician's name and direction for administering the medication. Over the counter medication can be given with a written order from the doctor and school medication consent form from the parent. Over the counter cough drops should be left at the health office with a school medication consent form or a note from the parent. If there are any questions, please call the Maxey Health Office at 436-1153, x 2.