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Important Upcoming Dates

- Tues., Jan. 26: PLC Early Release Day – Dismissal at 2:18p.m.
NO SCHOOL FOR EXCITE STUDENTS
- Wed., Feb. 3: Report Cards go home with Students (1 week later due to snow days)
- Thurs., Feb. 4: Traditional Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Tues., Feb. 9: Traditional Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Fri., Feb. 12: Classroom Valentine Parties
- Mon., Feb. 15: NO SCHOOL FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS – TEACHER PLAN DAY
- Tues., Feb. 23: PLC Early Release Day – Dismissal at 2:18p.m.
NO SCHOOL FOR EXCITE STUDENTS
- Mon., Mar. 8: PTO Executive Committee Meeting-Conference Room (6:00-7:00p.m.)
PTO General Meeting-Annex (7:00-8:00p.m.)
- Wed., Mar. 10: Set up for Science Fair-Gym (4:00-7:00p.m.)
- Thurs., Mar. 11: Maxey Science Fair-Gym (6:00-7:30p.m.)
- Tues., Mar. 16: 5th Grade Parent/Student Information Night at Lux (7:00-8:00p.m.)
- Thurs., Mar. 18: Kindergarten Registration for 2010/2011-Office (8:00am.-6:00p.m.)
- Fri., Mar. 19: Kindergarten Registration for 2010/2011-Office (8:00a.m.-4:00p.m.)
- Fri., Mar. 19: End of 3rd Quarter
- March 22-26: SPRING BREAK – NO SCHOOL – SCHOOL CLOSED
- Tues., Mar. 30: PLC Early Release Day – Dismissal at 2:18p.m.
NO SCHOOL FOR EXCITE STUDENTS
- Tues., Mar. 30: Pfizer/LPS Science Fair-Pershing Auditorium (5:00-8:00p.m.)
- Fri., Apr. 2: NO SCHOOL – SCHOOL CLOSED
- Wed., Apr. 7: Report Cards go home with Students
- Sat. Apr. 10: The MAX fundraiser-Hillcrest Country Club (6:00-10:00p.m.)
- Sun. Apr. 18: District-wide School Open House-Maxey (2:00-4:00p.m.)
- Thurs., Apr. 22: Maxey Art Fair (4:30-7:30p.m.)
- Tues., Apr. 27: PLC Early Release Day – Dismissal at 2:18p.m.
NO SCHOOL FOR EXCITE STUDENTS
- Tues., Apr. 27: Band and Chorus Concert-M.P. Rm. (Band-6:30p.m., Chorus-7:15p.m.)
- Fri., Apr. 30: NO SCHOOL FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS – TEACHER PLAN DAY
- Mon., May 3: 5th Grade Visit/Lunch at Lux Middle School (9:30-11:30a.m.)
- Thurs., May 6: Spring Strings Concert-M.P. Room (7:00-8:00p.m.)
- Mon., May 10: PTO Executive Meeting-Conference Room (6:00-7:00p.m.)
PTO General Meeting-Annex (7:00-8:00p.m.)

Revised Maxey School Day Schedule for February 1-12

- 8:20-8:30 a.m.—Students eating school breakfast enter the multipurpose room
- 8:35 a.m.- Students arriving early to school may go into the gym (Mr. Decker will supervise students outside beginning at 8:30 am)
- 8:45 a.m.- Students enter classrooms for instruction
- Lunch and specialist schedule remains the same
- 3:51 p.m.- ExCITE Program children are dismissed
- 3:54 p.m.- Kindergarteners are dismissed
- 3:59 p.m.- 1st-5th grades are dismissed
- 4:10-4:55 p.m.--Maxey All Star Classes (after school PTO classes)
- 4:05-5:00 p.m.--Chess Club (Monday Feb. 1 & 8)
- Chorus, Orchestra, band, student council, art banner club, etc. revised schedules have not been determined yet.
- Maxey School's Out (after school program operated by Family Service) will begin at 3:59 p.m. and end at its regular time
- Parent-Teacher Conferences— Teachers will contact you if there are revisions.

Maxey All-Stars After School Classes

Another reminder due to the extended school days from Feb. 1-12, the Maxey All-Stars after school classes will run from 4:10-4:55p.m. during these two weeks.

Feb. 12 Valentine Party schedules

Due to the extended school day on Feb. 12, the Valentine Party times have changed a bit. Please see the schedules below:

ExCITE: 3:00-3:50 p.m.
Knd: 3:00-3:45 p.m.
1st: 3:00-3:45 p.m.
2nd: 3:15-3:50 p.m.
3rd: 3:00-3:50 p.m.
4th: 3:00-3:50 p.m.
5th: 3:15-3:50 p.m.

Specialist Conference Dates/Times

Nathan Armagost (P.E.)	Feb. 4 & 9	4:00-7:00 p.m.	Media Center
Megan Bailey (Speech)	Feb. 4 & 9	4:00-7:00 p.m.	Room 110
Sylvia Bailey (Vocal Music)	Feb. 4,9,11	4:00-6:00 p.m.	Room 702
Stephanie Benischek (Vocal Music)	Feb. 4 (4:10-7:00)	Feb. 9 (4:10-5:50)	Room 630
Suzanne Budzinski (Speech)	Feb. 9	4:00-7:00 p.m.	Room 110
Joni Calkins (Reading Recovery)	Feb. 4 & 9	4:00-7:00 p.m.	Room 511
Sheri Christen (Media)	Feb. 4 & 9	4:00-7:00 p.m.	Media Center
Beth Hergott (Art)	Feb. 9	4:15-7:15 p.m.	Room 108
Devin Kosmicki (P.E.)	Feb. 4 & 9	4:00-7:00 p.m.	Media Center
Dottie Ladman (Strings)	Feb. 4	4:00-7:00 p.m.	Room 703
Greg Tebo (Computer)	Feb. 4 & 9	4:00-7:00 p.m.	Room 202

Yearbook Order Forms

By now you should have received a yearbook order form that was sent home with oldest/only children. You may purchase more than one copy with this order form, but please use one child's name on the order envelope. The deadline has also been extended

to February 1st, at the \$14 dollar cost. After February 1st, the price goes to \$18, and we cannot guarantee a book. The orders will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Extra order forms are located in the front entrance if needed.

Lied Center Art Exhibit

We are pleased to announce that four Maxey students will be featured in the 2010 LPS Visual Arts Exhibit at the Lied Center! Aidan Holsten, Graycee Meyer, Reid Donovan and Austin Herold will have their work on display January 14-February 25th. Please stop by the Lied Center and see their work, along with other LPS students who participate in this program!

CHANGE IN SCHEDULE FOR THE 5TH GRADE MASK MAKING PROJECT

Dear 5th grade parents:

There has been a change in the dates when the masks will be made because of the snow days. Please check below to see if your son/daughter's class was affected and notice the change in the date/time. Please email with any questions.

The BIG mask-making project is starting in the art room!!!! This week, I am demonstrating to 5th grade classes how we are going to be making the masks. Students are also planning out who their partner will be.

How it works.....

Hair that hangs in the forehead should be pushed back in some way (bandana, head band, pony tail, etc)

1. Cover the eyebrows and hairline with Vaseline
2. Cover the face and hair with wet paper towels
3. Cover the body, hair and neck with paint shirts or towels
4. Cover the outside edge of the face and nose with 3 layers of plaster bandages. Everywhere else on the face gets 2.
5. Let sit and dry for 10 minutes
6. Take the mask off and wash up in the art room

Your son/daughter will choose a partner. They are told to choose somebody they trust because their partner will be the one placing the plaster bandages on their face. Some students express a concern about this and I inform them that if they want a parent or an adult to be present the day their group makes the mask, you are welcome to join us in the art room. Please check in at the front desk and head back to the art room (suggested to wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty).

CHANGE IN DATES AFFECT Maxwell, Schoening, and Zeff

5 Beechley

Group A will be masked Jan 5 from 2:25 - 3:15

Group B will be masked Jan 12 from 2:25 - 3:15

5 Setzer

Group A will be masked Jan 4 from 2:25 - 3:15

Group B will be masked Jan 11 from 2:25 - 3:15

5 Maxwell

Demonstration of mask making Jan 22

Group A will be masked Jan 29 from 2:25 - 3:15

Group B will be masked Feb 5 from 2:25 - 3:15

5 Schoening

Demonstration of mask making Jan 25

Group A will be masked Feb 1 from 2:25 - 3:15

Group B will be masked Feb 8 from 2:25 - 3:15

5 Zeff

Demonstration of mask making Jan 26

Group A will be masked Feb 2 from 2:25 - 3:15

Group B will be masked Feb 9 from 2:25 - 3:15

Your son/daughter has already discussed or will discuss with their partner what group they will be in.

Suggested materials to bring but not mandatory for mask making.

old towels, face wash, lotion, old shirts, pony tails, bandanas, head bands.

Starting in February, we will start embellishing the masks. Students are encouraged to bring materials that would make their masks individualistic and personally unique – according to the theme of their mask. 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

feathers fur

beads

costume jewelry

*low temp. glue sticks (small round size)

seeds, acorns

sequins

nuts, bolts, screws

glitter

sea shells

raffia

puff paint/fabric paint

silk flowers/greenery/ribbon

rings from pop can tops/bottle caps

buttons

Please email me with any questions

blenzen@lps.org

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hergott, Maxey Elementary Art Specialist

Join the Maxey Chess Club

The Maxey Chess Club will reconvene for the second semester on Monday, January 25.

All students in grades 1-5 are invited to attend regardless of chess experience.

During second semester, the club will meet on Mondays from 3:38-4:45 in the Annex on the following 12 dates: January 25; February 1, 8, and 22; March 1, 8, 15, and 29; and April 5, 12, 19, and 26. AS A REMINDER, CHESS WILL MEET FROM 4:05-5:00 ON FEB. 1 & 8 DUE TO THE EXTENDED SCHOOL DAYS.

Students can register at the first meeting on January 25. The cost is \$120 per student. Checks should be made payable to the instructor, Ken Kiewra.

Maxey Girls on the Run Seeks Coaches

Girls on the Run seeks positive female role models to coach for the spring season, which runs from early March to mid-May. GOTR is a national nonprofit organization that

combines exercise and education to promote self-esteem, goal-setting and healthy living in 3rd- through 5th-grade girls.

Coaches meet with teams after school for two hours a week to play active games and train for a 5K run/walk. Coach must attend a half-day training session on Feb. 6 in Lincoln or Jan. 30 in Elkhorn. The total time commitment for first-time coaches is about 30 hours. The Maxey team meets from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning March 2. Bonus: Coach kids may participate for a discounted fee of \$25.

Coaching is a blast! The girls' energy and enthusiasm are contagious and you'll have just as much fun as they do. You do not have to be a runner to coach or help with our program. We have many opportunities to get involved. Please contact Maxey teacher Ann Hagaman for more information on volunteering at Maxey. Visit www.girlsontherunofnebraska.org to learn more about the program, or contact Ann Hagaman at ahagama@lps.org .

Spring Girls on the Run Starts March 2 at Maxey

Help your daughter put her best foot forward with Girls on the Run, an innovative after-school program that combines exercise, education and mentoring in third- through fifth-grade girls. The Maxey team will meet from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning March 2. The spring season will conclude the week of May 10, following the Girls on the Run 5K the weekend of May 7-10 at Holmes Lake.

Physical activity and fitness can empower young girls to grow into strong, confident and healthy women. Girls on the Run provides an uplifting and noncompetitive introduction to what we hope will be a lifelong commitment to health and wellness. The curriculum provides a unique forum for girls to discuss and make choices about physical fitness, good eating habits, values, body image and saying "no" to drugs. Completing a Girls on the Run program can be a valuable first step toward a lifetime of self-respect and healthy living.

Registration costs \$65; reduced rates for those with documented need are available. Online registration will begin Feb. 1; look for an information sheet in girls' take-home folders later this month. Visit www.girlsontherunofnebraska.org for more information, or contact Ann Hagaman at ahagama@lps.org .