



Mustang Matters

The Maxey Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization Newsletter

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Maxey Elementary School: Our mission is to maximize learning for all students

COMING SOON

Thursday October 8 October 8-15	Parent Teacher Conferences Scholastic Book Fair
Saturday October 10	Fall Fun Run, Maxey School grounds
Monday October 12	No School (elementary schools)
Tuesday October 13	Parent Teacher Conferences
Monday October 19	Teach a Kid to Fish 5-4-3-2-1 Art Contest Deadline
Tuesday, October 20	PLC Early Release
Friday, October 23 October 26-30	Fall Classroom Parties FALL BREAK- NO SCHOOL- SCHOOL CLOSED
Wednesday, November 4	Picture Retakes/Group Pictures
Monday, November 9	PTO Executive Committee Meeting-Conference Room (6:00 -7:00 pm) PTO General Meeting- Annex (7:00 -8:00 pm)
Tuesday, November 24	PLC Early Release
Wednesday, November 25 November 26 & 27	No School for Elementary Students- Teacher Plan Day NO SCHOOL- SCHOOL CLOSED- THANKSGIVING

From the Chairs

QSP Fundraiser: We appreciate each and every Maxey family that participated in this Fundraiser. Thanks to you, we raised over \$6,000!! With your help, we are one step closer to building the new path for Maxey's school grounds. Watch for construction to begin soon!

Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough: We will keep you updated on frozen cookie dough delivery dates. This information will be posted in the Mustang Matters once we have a delivery date.

"Chicka chicka boom boom! Will there be enough room?": Students in K-3rd squeezed into the Media Center (in 2 separate groups) to hear, John Archambault, one of the authors of Chicka_Chicka Boom Boom, on September 30th. His writing uses rhythm, rhyme, and whimsy, to entertain and teach. Each student went away with the message that *everyone* is an author. Be sure to ask your child about the yodeling knock-knock joke! Thank you to the Maxey PTO for this opportunity!

Say "Cheese": Group photos and retakes will be taken on Wednesday, November 4th.

Thank you Maxey Families for you Continuous Support!

- Mary Linafelter & Mary Schleich

Fun Night: Thanks! & Results:

Thank you to everyone who made FUN NIGHT a huge success! We had fantastic weather and a great turnout that night. The kids had a blast playing games, eating goodies and spending time with their classmates. Many parents and teachers even went home with an amazing basket after winning at the silent auction. All in all, we made over \$8,500 at this event! Thanks for supporting Maxey!

A special thank you to all of the committee members (basket auction, games/prizes, tickets, and food) and volunteers! It takes a lot of people to make Fun Night run smoothly and many people went above and beyond the call of duty to help out. We appreciate each and every one of you!

- Julie Weller & Sunshine Fisher, Fun Night Co-Chairs

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Thanks! From the Fun Night Basket Committee

We would personally like to thank all of you that contributed items to your child's classroom for the Fun Night gift baskets! We know that there is a lot asked of everyone, especially at the beginning of the year and we so appreciate your support. Because of you, not only did we have a wonderful variety of baskets but we also broke our record again this year for the amount of funds brought in through this silent auction.

A special thank you goes out to **all of the teachers** who spent extra time getting their students excited and corresponding with parents to make sure donations were brought in on time.

We also want to thank **Tana Clare, Kara Doyea** and **Beth Jessen** for their extra help with the baskets this year!

We had a lot of fun and will look forward to next year!

Your Fun Night Basket Committee,

Jenny Anderson, Janine Findlay, Traci Hrnicek, Daria Springer, and Julie Widman

Art Contest to Promote 5-4-3-2-1—GO! A Campaign for Child Wellness

(LPS District-Wide)



Who: Students in grades K-5

What: Create art based upon the 5-4-3-2-1 Go! Campaign.
That's 5 fruits and veggies daily; 4 glasses of water; 3 low-fat servings of dairy, no more than 2 hours of screen time (includes TV and computer) and be sure to get 1 hour of exercise. For more info on this campaign go to www.clocc.net and click on 5-4-3-2-1 Go!

When: Deadline = Monday October 19, 2009

Prizes: 1st prize a new bike
2nd prize a \$150 Scheels gift card
3rd prize \$50 art supplies

*The teacher of each winning student also receives a gift certificate to either Scheels or Dick Blick (art)
1st prize \$150 gift card, 2nd prize \$100 gift card , 3rd prize is \$50 gift card*

Rules and regulations:

- Art must be mailed to Teach a Kid to Fish and postmarked by October 19, 2009 to be eligible for this contest. Include your name, address, phone/e-mail on the back of the art.
- Mail your art to Teach a Kid to Fish 5625 O Street, Suite 3 Lincoln, NE 68510
- The winners will be announced at the Teach a Kid to Fish November 3rd summit.
- All children related to the staff of Teach a Kid to Fish are ineligible for this contest.

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