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GREETING MAPLE FAMILIES,

I am very excited to be featured as a guest author for this month's principal letter. The Maple Elementary Community has been so welcoming and supportive to me in my first year joining the school—I look forward to many more years to come!

This month I wanted to bring to your attention an exciting new event happening at Maple in April. Mark your calendars now for Thursday April 4th from 5-7 pm for Maple Math Madness. This all-school evening event, held in the Maple Cafeteria, will provide an opportunity for our community to learn together and celebrate Math at Maple.

Each grade level will have multiple math games from classrooms that students and families can play together. Students will be given a passport to play and after they have completed all the games at their grade level they can turn that passport in for a prize! There will also be estimation challenges for each grade level and some fantastic prizes for those who are the closest to the actual amount.

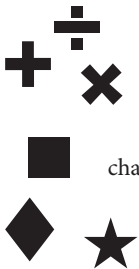
The timing of this event is also a perfect kickoff to our state testing season at Maple Elementary. Students in 3rd, 4th and 5th grade will begin their Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) two weeks after Spring Break. More communication regarding testing specifics will be coming home in the next few weeks. The event will also feature an opportunity for students and families to view a practice test, ask questions, and learn more about the SBA.

Pizza dinner will be provided to all families attending and will begin at 5pm.

I look forward to seeing everyone at Maple Math Madness on Thursday April 4th.

All the best, Mason Skeffington / Assistant Principal

MAPLE MATH MADNESS



Come on out to Maple Elementary Thursday April 4th from 5-7pm

Maple Math Madness is a community building Math Night where students and families will learn about and play classroom math games together. The event will feature math games to play, estimation challenges for prizes, and all participants will take home a prize for attending.

Pizza dinner will start at 5pm

We hope to see you all there!



SCHOOL SUPPLIES PROGRAM

Maple PTSA is proposing a school supplies program. Instead of buying supplies for each child from the class supplies list, a group of parent volunteers will order them and families will be asked to contribute toward the school supplies fund. Because supplies are purchased in bulk, the cost will be much less for each child. Once the program has been approved, we will ask families to contribute what they can, from \$20-50 per child. Please be on the lookout for a flyer and survey in KidMail soon. We want to hear from you!

Email MaplePTSA@gmail.com or contact Bao Ng at 206-403-0399 for more information.

VAM FEST

Van Asselt / Maple Fest

Joint School Community Event
for Friends and Families of
Van Asselt and Maple Elementary

Date: Friday, April 26th

Time: 5:30-8:30p

Location: Jefferson CC

FREE Admission

Concession: \$1.00-5.00



Win Raffle prizes \$1 each or \$5 for 6 tickets

LOST & FOUND



Lost and Found is exploding with unclaimed jackets/coats, lunch boxes and water bottles.

The weather is changing and there are so many items wanting to be reunited with their owners. Please inform your students to look through lost and found and take home what is theirs. Unclaimed items will be gone Friday April 5th after school.

Thanks! Ms. Robin Lee

PLAN AHEAD

- April 2: Maple Grows Meeting 6:00pm School Gym
- April 2: PTSA Meeting 6:30pm, Teacher's Lounge
- April 4: Maple Math Madness 5:00pm School Gym
- April 9-13: Spring Break, no school
- April 15: Maple Monarch Marathon Walk, 7:40am every morning at Maplewood Park
- April 26: VAM Fest 5:30pm, Jefferson Community Center
- May 6-10: Staff Appreciation Week
- May 17: Annual Maple BBQ Lunch
- May 27: Memorial Day, no school
- May 31: Walk-A-Thon
- Every Wednesday: Early dismissal, School ends at 1:10pm



ANNUAL MAPLE BBQ

The date for this year's Annual BBQ is Friday May 17th, please come and join your child for lunch.

- Adult lunch: \$4.75
- Student lunch: \$3.00

If your child receives free or reduced meals at school they DO NOT bring money, the BBQ will be their regular lunch.

Hope you can join us and watch for the flyers in April to sign up.

– Cathy Stalker / Lunchroom Lady



WALK AROUND THE PARK

Maple Monarch Marathon will start up again after Spring Break, Monday April 15th. Students and their families are encouraged to walk the track at Maplewood Park with fellow classmates as they arrive to school. Note, once this starts, students will not be allowed inside the school until the first bell at 7:50am.



LET'S GO CAMPING!!!

Maple's Fourth & Fifth graders will be going to camp September 25th – 27th, 2019! Join us for Camp Information Night

WHO?

Families of Current 3rd and 4th Graders

WHEN?

Tuesday, April 2nd 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

WHERE?

Maple Library

WHAT?

A presentation and question-and-answer session with a representative from Camp Seymour and Maple's 4th and 5th grade teachers

- All Camp paperwork will be given out at this event.
- Camp fees are due on or before Friday, May 17th. Scholarships are available for students who qualify for free or reduced lunch.

– Ms. Ventura, Mr. Barnes, Ms. Jones, Ms. Kumasaka, Mr. Zerai, Mr. Veltri & Ms. Horton



YEARBOOKS NOW ON SALE

The 2018-2019 Maple Yearbook is on sale now through SchoolPay! You will now be able to purchase a yearbook capturing special memories of your child's school year online through SchoolPay, Seattle School District's new online ordering system. Information on how to sign up can be found on the district website www.schoolpay.com. You will first have to sign up for a Source account at www.seattleschools.org/source.

Thanks! Heidi Ellis / Front Office



DENTAL SEALANTS

The Seattle & King County Department of Public Health will be back at Maple on June 17 and 18th to finish up the FREE dental sealants program for second and third graders (which was originally scheduled to take place on Feb. 4-7, but was unable to be completed due to all of the snow days). Second graders will have dental sealants placed on their 1st permanent molars, and third graders who participated in the program last year will have their teeth rechecked to see if any additional sealants are needed. If you have questions about the dental sealant program, please feel free to contact second grade teacher Diane Trudnowski at 206-252-8338 / dtrudnowski@seattleschools.org or School Nurse Emily Goff at 206-252-8317 / ejgoff@seattleschools.org.



BOX TOPS COLLECTION CONTEST

Thank you all again for your participation in this year's Box Top Collection Drive. Remember that each Box Top collected is worth .10¢ and will help fund extra supplies and activities for Maple School.

The classroom collection contest is still going on, so don't stop clipping. The top 3 classes that collect the most Box Tops will earn a prize.

Reminder, Box Tops should be submitted through your classroom collection box. And don't forget to sign up as a Box Top member (it's free!) and check out our school's earnings, money saving coupons and enter for extra chances for Maple to earn more Box Tops, go to BTFE.com. Also don't forget to download the Box Tops Bonus App for more quick and easy ways to earn funds.



MAPLE ELEMENTARY GROWS

The outdoor spaces at Maple School provide an important learning environment for kids and are an amenity for the entire neighborhood, creating opportunities to play, picnic, enjoy nature, and come together as a community. With funding from Seattle Department of Neighborhoods and a team of designers we are creating a plan for the school's green and recreation spaces, with the goal of making the outdoor experience at the school more inclusive, artful, and welcoming to all.

We want to hear from you. Please join us at Maple Elementary to help prioritize what projects will be completed as part of Phase 1 construction to hopefully begin in 2020.

- April 2 / 6-8pm at Maple School
- Snacks and Childcare will be provided
- Español, 中文, Somali, Tiếng Việt and English language assistance available!

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