

2017

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

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November 2

1st grade Field trip to "Beauty and the Beast" at NFHS

November 6

5:00 p.m.—PEG (Basket Wrapping)

November 7

Dismissal at 11:55 a.m. Parent-Teacher Conferences 2-7 p.m.

November 8

Set up for Family Fun Night 4-9 p.m.

November 9

Music Dept. field trip to Kleinhans FAMILY FUN NIGHT 5-7 p.m.

November 10

Veterans' Day—No School

November 12

10 week marking period closes for students in Grade 3-6

November 22

Picture Makeup Day

November 23 and 24

Thanksgiving Holiday—No School

Maple Avenue School

Main Office: 278-9140 Clinic: 278-9142

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

November is the perfect time to reflect on all we are thankful for. At Maple, we are thankful that we have such a wonderful school community dedicated to helping students achieve to the best of their ability. We are also thankful that you are our partner in that effort.

A great day to get informed, and to join us on that journey is Parent/Teacher Conference Day. This fall, it will take place on November 7, 2017. Meeting slots fill up quickly! Please call the school at 278-9140 to make your appointment now.

The 10 week marking period closes November 12, 2017 for students in Grades 3-6. The first trimester closes December 10, 2017 for students in Grades PK-2. Please continue to talk with your child about their school work. Falling behind in assignments leads to frustration, which will undoubtedly have a negative effect. Talking with your child about school work will ensure they have met or exceeded the expectations thus far. Constant communication between parents and students and parents and the school helps achieve this result. Please feel free to contact us at any time.

ANNOUNCING.....

NIAGARA FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT'S APP

Please visit your Google Playstore or Apple App Store to download our District app. This handy app will provide one location to:

- ⇒ Follow our social media feeds
- ⇒ Access Parent Portal
- ⇒ See flyers from our school
- ⇒ View Calendars



Just download BB District and then search for Niagara Falls CSD. You can follow the District and choose specific schools to follow, as well.

Receive notifications, see pictures, and more!

PARENTS – PLEASE BE AWARE THERE IS NO PARKING IN OUR LOT FROM 8:30AM TO 8:45AM AND FROM 2:30PM TO 3:00PM.

Also, did you know that **it is illegal** to do a "3 Point Turn" or turn around in a school parking lot and school zone? It is also **against the law** to pass a school bus on either side, while the red lights are flashing.

Please keep in mind that these laws are in place, and enforced, to keep our students safe. Failure to comply with these laws may result in a traffic citation. The Niagara Falls Police Department monitors the area surrounding our school often!





95TH BIRTHDAY NEWS



We will be sharing contents of our time capsules and old pictures and other items in our Library on Family Fun Night from 5—7 p.m. as part of the Scholastic Book Fair. Stop by Room 11!

We are looking for veterans or current servicemen and women who attended Maple Avenue School. If you know of anyone, please contact the school. We would like to have veterans speak to our students regarding citizenship and character.



Character Education

The focus for this month is CITIZENSHIP.

Citizenship—to be a good citizen in your classroom, you should participate in class, respect authority and peers, and treat classroom property nicely.

Example: Many schools throughout our country have adopted rituals that inspire citizenship.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Linda Blake: 278-9152

I am always available to work with your child, especially if they are experiencing any home or school problems. I can meet with your child during the school day and am available to make appropriate referrals for families in need of services. If you would like me to do an in home visit, (day or evening), I can do that also.

VERY IMPORTANT.....PLEASE READ

School Year 2017 – 2018 Maple Avenue School

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Morning Group sessions to help students with attendance problems.

- Developing school wide incentives for good attendance
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One way that families can help is to call the school if your child is ill or has a doctor's appointment. If no one is available to take your call, our answering machine is on 24 hours a day. Please leave a message at this number: 278-9140 so we don't bother you in the morning. If your child is not in school, and we do not hear from you, our attendance monitor will give you a call or visit your home as a safety service. Please keep in mind, make sure your child brings in a written excuse upon returning to school after an illness. An absence without a written excuse will be marked AU (unexcused).

By promoting good attendance we can all help our children in the future to become responsible and successful adults. Please call me at this number: 278-9152, if you have questions or concerns. We look forward to working with you.

Respectfully yours,

Linda Blake School Counselor Maria Chille-Zafuto Principal

STAR STUDENTS FOR NOVEMBER 2017

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A Based on these merits: behavior, academics, effort, showing respect/, and good attendance/promptness, exemplifies the district's character trait: CITIZENSHIP, outstanding achievement, or participation in an extracurricular activity. Teachers have selected the following students:

Teacher: Student:

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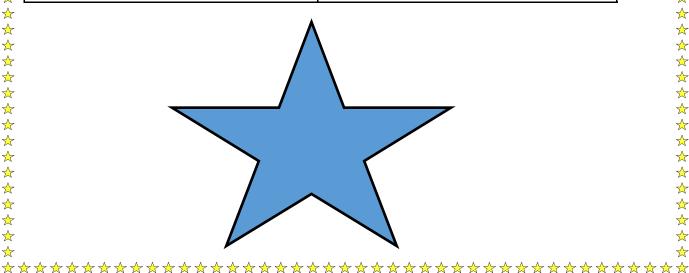
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Mrs. Hamilton (Pre-k)	Essie Joyce
Mrs. Spanbauer (Pre-k)	Sofia Giaquinto
Mrs. Pileggi (Kindergarten)	La'Kira Crittenden
Mrs. Campbell (Kindergarten)	Cali Ponzi
Mrs. Scirto (1 st grade)	Melaina Lewis
Mrs. Mckean (1 st grade)	Carmella Vilardo
Ms. Walker (2 nd grade)	Jaliyah Bell
Mrs. Benjamin (2 nd grade)	Joseph Long
Mrs. Kramer (3 rd grade)	Taylor Favorite
Mrs. Conner (3 rd grade)	Madelyn LaSota
Mrs. Martin (4 th grade)	Mason Malaney
Mrs. Gregg (4 th grade)	Khamanii Blazer
Mrs. LaSota (5 th grade)	Gianna Ricotta
Mrs. Hunter (5 th grade)	Matthew Catanzaro
Mr. Robins (6 th grade)	Asa Gates
Mr. Sauvageau (6 th grade)	Ava Mitchell



Do The Right Thing

November 6, 2017

This award is presented to students whom have established themselves as role models for their peers and the community. Through their positive behavior, these students do their very best when it comes to their school work. Also, they are kind and helpful to others in our school and the community. Do the Right Thing Program is sponsored by The Niagara County Sheriff's Department, the Niagara Falls Police Department, and the Niagara Police Athletic League.

Teacher: Student:

Mrs. Pileggi (Kindergarten)	Hailey Collins
Mrs. Campbell (Kindergarten)	Arianna McDougald
Mrs. Scirto (1 st grade)	La'Najiah Lewis
Mrs. McKean (1 st grade)	Henry Zajac
Mrs. Walker (2 nd grade)	Tucker Barg
Mrs. Benjamin (2 nd grade)	Kassandra Fugate
Mrs. Conner(3 rd grade)	Ella Perry
Mrs. Kramer (3 rd grade)	Gianna Venditti
Mrs. Martin (4th grade)	Caralina Titer
Mrs. Gregg (4th grade)	Camryn Brandon
Mrs. LaSota (5th grade)	Agnes DiCamillo
Mrs. Hunter(5 th grade)	Arielle Jones
Mr. Robins (6th grade)	Deanna Byrd
Mr. Sauvageau (6th grade)	Bethany Mandaville
Ms. Linda Blake, School Counselor	Nalayah Bradley
Ms. Laura Skalski, Secretary	David Evans

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

- Family Fun Night will be Thursday, November 9th beginning at 5 p.m. through 7 p.m. You should have received a notice from your child's teacher regarding the class theme. When students make a donation to their class basket, they will receive a ticket with their name which will be placed in a drawing for a special "kids basket." Also, each year, students are able to purchase 1 set of presale tickets for the basket auction: \$3.00 for 25 tickets. If you are interested, please send \$3.00 in an envelope with your child's name and teacher's name by November 6.
- Many volunteers are needed to help with our largest fundraiser of the year. You can help by:
 - •Coming to our basket wrapping night on Monday, November 6 at 5 p.m.
 - •Set up on Wednesday, November 8, 4-9 p.m.
 - •Help is needed with food, activities and games for students on that evening.
 - •Make a donation: Please have all donations in by Monday, November 6

If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to: MapleavePEG@gmail.com

As always, thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Maple Avenue School PEG



Help our school earn cash!

Clipping Box Tops is a fun and easy way to help our school collect funds that we can use for supplies or special events. Start clipping today!

See enclosed collection sheet.

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MAPLE AVENUE'S SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

November 6–14, 2017*

*November 7—Half Day of School

9:10 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

We will also be open on Family Fun Night November 9, 2017 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

*Poster Raffle—25 cent Tickets

Round up a purchase and you will have a chance to draw from the Lollypop/pencil Cactus

ONLINE BOOK FAIR: www.scholastic.com/fair

November 6 to November 15, 2017