

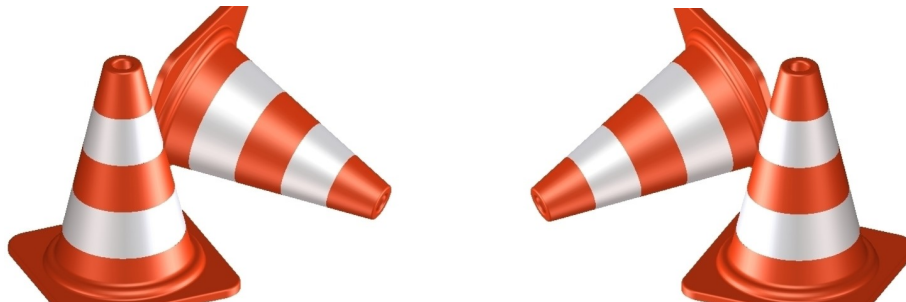
MAPLE AVENUE SCHOOL

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Website: <http://www.nfschools.net/Domain/833>

Principal: Mrs. Chille-Zafuto

Happy New Year and welcome back! I cannot believe we are half-way through the school year! Our students are continuing to work hard and we thank you for your continued support in their efforts! As always, if you have any questions regarding your child's progress, please feel free to contact his/her teacher. Communication between home and school is an essential piece to every child's education plan!



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 in a 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!



January 2
NO SCHOOL

January 3
Classes Resume

January 16
NO SCHOOL M L King Day



PARENT SURVEY

We are encouraging parents to take the 21st Century Learning online survey located on the district website. You can go to the survey directly by typing:

[https://
www.surveymonkey.com/r/
J76L73F](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J76L73F)

We thank you in advance for your cooperation.



Remember to continue clipping box tops! A new sheet is attached!



REMINDERS

If your child has special instructions for dismissal, **please send a note to your child's teacher that morning.** Students should know before they come to school about any special dismissal arrangements. Please do not wait until the last minute to phone the school with changes. We cannot guarantee that your child will receive the message. For the safety of our students, please call at least **ONE HOUR** before dismissal to ensure your child receives any change of plans.



Students are not allowed to enter school before 8:45am unless participating in the breakfast program. The breakfast program begins daily at 8:25am. Students are to enter through Door #5. All other students will be asked to wait outside until the first bell rings at 8:45.



Please remember, phone calls are **NOT** put through to classrooms during the instructional day for any reason unless it is an absolute emergency. Parents will be directed to the teacher's voice mail to leave a message.



IN CASE OF SNOW

If schools must be closed due to inclement weather or other emergencies, parents and students will be notified in the early morning, or if possible, the evening before by radio, television and/or telephone messages. The TV and Radio stations notified are:

WEBR AM 970, WJJL AM 1440, WHLD 1270, WGR AM 55, WBLK FM 93.7, WYRK FM 106.5, WBEN AM 930, WKSE FM 98.5, WGRZ TV (CH 2), WIVB TV (CH 4) WKBW TV (CH 7) AND OSC CHANNEL 21 ON TIME WARNER CABLE.

The Delayed start plan allows time for weather conditions to change so school attendance is possible. This may also allow for temperatures to rise and clearing of roadways and sidewalks. **If a delayed start is called, school will begin at 10:45 am.** Breakfast will be served and lunch will be served at the usual time. Dismissal times will remain the same as any usual school day.



WORKABLE HOMEWORK IN YOUR HOME

Does your child find it hard to do homework? Are there a lot of distractions? Below you will find some helpful tips on how to create homework space that will promote a healthy and happy student!

- ❄️ Create a special homework place for your child that is quiet and has good lighting (No TV or cell phones). Make it a place with all of the necessary school supplies.
 - ❄️ Make sure your child has a regular “homework time”. Consistency is always a positive influence.
 - ❄️ Encourage your child to work independently. This promotes responsibility. Let your child know that you are right around the corner should they need your help. Make sure he/she understands homework is their job.
 - ❄️ Children need to learn and try to find the answers for themselves, even at a young age.
 - ❄️ Show interest and give praise when they complete their homework, but try not to demand perfection.
 - ❄️ Lastly, just showing support and encouragement is the best thing you can do to help your child do their very best.

If there are questions or concerns regarding homework, you are encouraged to contact your child's teacher.



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.

your help. Make sure he/she



Tolerance is a fair, objective, and permissive attitude toward those whose opinions, beliefs, practices, etc. differ from one's own opinions.