

# MAPLE LANE NEWS

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From the  
Office

## CLASS ORGANIZATION AND STUDENT PLACEMENT 2017-18

**Parent Input due by May 26<sup>th</sup> at 4pm**

June is the month when the staff spends considerable time discussing possible classroom placements of students for the next school year. Although we do not finalize classes until the first week in September, we do some preliminary thinking in June. There are many factors that are important considerations in these discussions:

### A. Student considerations such as:

- learning styles and strengths
- what the child can do in relation to the goals of the program
- degree of independence in work habits
- social and personal characteristics
- age and physical maturity
- previous year's placement
- parent knowledge of their child
- male/female balance
- students with special learning needs
- when they have been the youngest or the oldest in a combined classroom. Please note: Over their 8 years in elementary, a student should experience a variety of settings if possible.



### B. Staff considerations such as:

- equitable teaching assignments in terms of class size and composition
- matching as closely as possible teaching style and student needs

### C. Parent Input

If you have information based on the factors listed above that you would like us to consider when placing your child in a class for next year, please take this opportunity to submit this information to Mr. Mason **in writing (email or letter) by Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m.**

This information will be shared with teachers during the meetings that will be held to make up class lists. **It will not be possible to consider information or requests submitted by parents in September once classes have been established.** Please **do not request specific teachers** – at this time we do not know which teachers will be teaching which grades next year.



**Please note:** We do our best to form the best learning environments for all students.

**Parental requests are considered but not guaranteed.**

Although we do have preliminary discussions, the class organization is subject to change in the first week in September depending on the enrollment numbers confirmed in the first week of school.

## Early Dismissal: May 23<sup>rd</sup> At 2pm

On Tuesday May 23<sup>rd</sup>, students will be dismissed early at 2pm to allow teachers to attend the Richmond Teacher's Association Annual General Meeting. Please mark your calendars.

## Parking Lot and Surrounding Neighborhood

Parents, please help us make the parking lot and streets near the school safe for all members of our school community during student pick-up at the end of the day. If you are picking up your child in the traffic circle, please stop only in the marked yellow spaces, and wait in your car. Drive slowly when exiting the parking lot. In the neighborhood, do not block the driveways of our neighbors. We have had some reports of cars parking in front of driveways. Please be considerate to the homeowners who live near our school.



## Around the School

### Welcome to Kindergarten

On Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 we will welcome our newest Maple Lane students and parents for an afternoon of fun. These new Maple Laners and their parents will participate in a variety of activities, get a chance to meet staff and tour the school. We look forward to a wonderful afternoon starting at 1:15pm



## PICTURE DAY

THURSDAY, MAY 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 IS CLASS PICTURE DAY AT MAPLE LANE. EACH CLASS WILL HAVE THEIR CLASS PICTURE TAKEN. ON THIS SAME DAY, TEAMS AND CLUBS WILL BE PHOTOGRAPHED AND OUR WHOLE SCHOOL PANORAMA PHOTO WILL BE TAKEN. SMILE!



## Me to We Pancake Breakfast and Pajama Day



On Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the Me to We students in Division 1 and 2 will host a pancake breakfast for the school. This is a great community event that brings families together to help raise money for good causes that the Me to We students hope to support. All students and parents are invited to attend the Me to We Pancake Breakfast. In conjunction with this special event, students are encouraged to wear their pajamas to school for a fun school spirit Pajama Day.



# PAC News



## **MAPLE LANE SPRING FLING - A TROPICAL LUAU FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2017 5-8PM**

The Spring Fling is almost here, in fact it's at the end of this week! We can't wait! We are hoping for good weather, so if we put our collective positive thoughts together, we may be lucky with some sunshine. We hope you can join us!

### ***Spring Fling Volunteers***

We still need parent volunteers to help for a portion of the Spring Fling. We also need a few volunteers to help on Friday May 12<sup>th</sup> during the school day, particularly to climb a ladder to put up decorations and to place banners

HELP! HELP! We need HELP!

If you or any other family member is available to volunteer a couple hours of your time before or during the Spring Fling, we want to hear from you!

If you are able to assist in any way, please email the PAC at [maplelanepac@gmail.com](mailto:maplelanepac@gmail.com) or let Mr. Mason know in the office.

Thank-you,  
The Maple Lane PAC

### **Dates to Remember**

Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>

Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>

Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>

Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>

Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>

Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>

Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>

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- Track Meet at Minoru for Grades 3-7

- Maple Lane 'SPRING FLING'

- Welcome to Kindergarten 1:15pm (for 2017/18 Kindergarten Students)

- Class Picture and Panorama Photo Day

- Victoria Day Holiday (school is closed)

- Early Dismissal Day: students dismissed at 2pm

- Sports Day at Maple Lane (NEW DATE, moved from June 9)

- Band Concert 2pm for students, 6pm for parents

- South Arm Pool and Splashdown Park

- Centennial Beach

- Grade 7 Farewell

- Last Day of School