

# Maplewood Elementary Principal Weekly Newsletter November 21 - 23, 2016



Hello Maplewood Families!

I've already purchased some awesome items at today's Holiday Bazaar! So much fun! Thanks PTA for sponsoring this great activity!



I am sending this out today because I have a super busy weekend and will not be able to come in on Sunday. Hard to do when you're AT the Seahawks game! Woot Woot! My brother turns 60 in January and this is my early birthday present to him! We are so excited, especially after the big win last Sunday night! Century Link will be crazy!!! Always fun to spend time with my brother Steve too. Even though he lives in Yelm, our busy lives don't allow us to connect as much as we would like! GO HAWKS!!!

## **Puyallup Nazarene Church**

Next week is Thanksgiving Break and in the spirit of gratitude, I want to thank the Puyallup Nazarene Church (PNC) for their continued support of our school. The PNC epitomizes what kindness and giving looks like and sounds like. They provided Thanksgiving Food Boxes for families here at Maplewood. In addition to our school – they support four other local elementary schools and delivered a total of 125 food boxes to needy families! Simply incredible! Come Christmas, their congregation members will be adopting kids from the same elementary schools and providing them with gifts that they otherwise, would not receive. Thank you PNC!!! We are in awe of your generosity!



# Adopt *a* Family

## **Maplewood PTA Adopt-a-Family**

In addition to the PNC adopting families for the Holidays, our PTA adopts a family as well! Thank you PTA for this incredible support! Your kindness and compassion for children is boundless and please know how you inspire the Staff at Maplewood each and every day! On behalf of all of us, we want you to know that you fill our hearts!

### Maplewood Staff and Families Adopt-a-Family

Several years ago, I presented the staff with the idea of all of us coming together and adopting a family. Well, if you know the staff at Maplewood...the answer was a resounding, YES!!! So, I believe we are now in year three and moving forward with this great experience. When we started this, many of our families asked if they too can participate in adopting a family and may I just say, WOW! What a great way to come together, for the common good, and give to those less fortunate. Following, is a list of several families that could use some support this Holiday Season. If you would like to help out, we would love to have you join us again this year!



**If you are out and about these next several weeks...here are some needs that we can meet on behalf of our own Maplewood Community! We would love for you to partner with our staff and feel the spirit of the Holidays! Much appreciated!**

**We will start collecting items beginning on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> thru Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. You can drop them off at the front office! Please do not wrap presents – we will take care of that!**

<b>Age</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Clothing</b>	<b>Toys</b>
13	Girl	Sweat Pants (Black) – Size Women’s Large Fuzzy Boots – 9 Women’s Any Clothes – Women’s Large	Bluetooth Headphones Anything Anime Nothing “girly”
9	Girl	Winter Jacket – Size Women’s Medium Or Junior Size Large Any Clothes - Medium Juniors Size	Shopkins Littlest Pet Shop
4	Girl	Winter Boots – Size 11 Toddler Any clothes – Size 5/6 or 6 Toddler	Princess Dress-up Stuff Anything Princess Fine Motor activities
3	Boy	Winter Boots – Size 9 – 10 Toddler Any clothes – Size 5T Toddler	Anything Toy Story Loves cars
7	Boy	<b><i>Clothes are taken care of</i></b>	Anything Remote Control
9	Boy	<b><i>Clothes are taken care of</i></b>	Legos

**Wreath Sale for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration!**

On **Sunday night**, you will be receiving an email with an attached order form regarding our upcoming **Holiday Wreath Sale**. This fundraiser is to help our 6<sup>th</sup> Graders with their end-of-the-year celebration.

Our 6<sup>th</sup> Graders have been such incredible leaders and the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Group has already been meeting to finalize a fun event for them as we celebrate their accomplishments and wish them well in 7<sup>th</sup> Grade! Don't get too sad yet...we still have 6+ more months with these outstanding young people! Parents, hang in there! Nothing is happening...yet. ☺

Thanks to **Jenny Roberts** for coordinating this and our **PTA** for their support! What a great Holiday purchase!

**Holiday Greens 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration Fundraiser**

**All Money Raised Supports 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration**

**Orders Due by Tuesday Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Order pick up Tuesday Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> after school in the gym.**



Deluxe Candy Cane  
\$26.00



Deluxe Centerpiece \$15.00



Garland 10', 25', 50' - \$1.00 per ft.



Deluxe Cross \$26.00



Deluxe Wreath 20" \$20



Deluxe Wreath 24" \$25.00



Deluxe Wreath 28" \$30.00



Have a wonderful Thanksgiving Break...enjoy time with your family and friends! If you go shopping...eat a good breakfast, get a strong cup of coffee and wear comfortable shoes. Oh, and remember...breathe and smile! In the words of Dr. Tim Yeomans, "Assume Positive Intent" (even when you are battling crowds and long lines)! Ha!

Warmest Thanks...one of the many things I am so grateful for every single day, it to serve as the Principal of Maplewood!

Susan Walton  
Principal