

# THE AMAZING RACE JOURNAL

Mapleton Elementary School

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## MAPLETON'S JOURNEY TO THE TOP

October 24, 2013

### Lunch Menus

#### Monday, October 21

Baked BBQ Chicken Bites w/ Roll  
Grilled Cheese w/ String Cheese  
Mashed Potatoes  
Green Beans

#### Tuesday, October 22

Pizza or Taco Burger  
PB and J Sandwich  
Seasoned Corn  
Garden Salad w/ Dressing

#### Wednesday, October 23

Fiesta Nachos  
Grilled Cheese w/ String Cheese  
Festive Vegetable Blend  
Refried Bean Melt  
Garden Salad w/ Dressing  
Lettuce/Salsa/Sour Cream/Cheese

#### Thursday, October 24

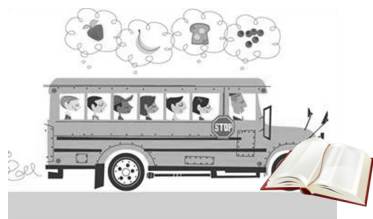
Chicken Round-Ups w/Roll  
PB and J Sandwich  
French Fries  
Glazed Carrots  
Garden Salad w/ Dressing

#### Friday, October 25

Sub Sandwich Bar  
Grilled Cheese w/ String Cheese  
Cheez-its or Chocolate Chip Grahams  
Broccoli & Carrots w/Dip  
100% Fruit Slushie

#### Available Every Day

Entrée Chef Salad  
Fruit and Milk Choices



### Veterans' Day

Mapleton is preparing for the annual Veterans' Day celebration. Ms. Lee needs students to bring in pictures of relatives who are veterans so she can make a slideshow. Students can bring the pictures to Ms. Lee in the gym. The last day to turn pictures in is Wednesday, November 6th. The Veterans' Day program will be Friday, November 8th.

### Vocabulary Word of the Week

#### Trait

*A distinguishing quality or characteristic*

**What can I do at home to help my child build their vocabulary?**

*Break Apart the Word Activity:* Have the child look closely at the word. Synthesize the word to determine what words mean (i.e. look for root words, prefixes, important words within the word, etc). For example: Postdate (post means later). You can also look at singular and plural words (i.e. turtle (one) and turtles (more than one). Compile a list of additional words that use the same root word or prefix. Do they have a similar meaning? Draw a picture to represent the meaning of the word.

For more information about building strong vocabulary within your home, check out the following website-  
<http://www.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=8100>.

### Fall Celebrations

Fall Celebrations will be held Friday, November 1 beginning at 1:15 p.m. Students are encouraged to dress as their favorite book character. Please be sure the costumes are appropriate for school. No masks are allowed.



### Grade Cards

#### Go Home

**Monday, October 28**

Parents,

if you don't receive your child's grades,  
please contact the school.

### Environmental Camp

Recently, fourth grade students took an overnight trip to Carlisle, Kentucky to experience 4H Environmental Camp. Students were involved in a wide range of activities from fishing and archery to reptile and mammal studies. Students also got to experience studies on honeybees, pond studies, and Kentucky storytelling. Parents, teachers, and students went on a night hike to experience nature after the sun goes down! This was all on top of a wonderful camp experience with some delicious food. This was a very unique experience that all attending students enjoyed! The fourth grade teachers wish to express their extreme gratitude to the Mapleton PTO for their financial support in attending this camp. This was a phenomenal experience for each student, and we thank you for making that possible! Also, a big thank you goes out to the parents that volunteered their time to go to camp with us. We had a wonderful time!



Jesse Myers dissecting owl pellets at Environmental Camp

### The Art of the Matter

Mrs. Ginter's RTI classes are making wind-catchers. She could really use more wire clothes hangers and more hose. If you have knee highs, tights or pantyhose you no longer wear (washed, please) just bring them in, they can even have small runners. Hangers can have plastic covering or even be a tiny bit rusty and they will work.

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## Family Night

**A Night to Eat Dinner with Your Children**

**Tuesday, October 29, 2013**

Did you know that children who regularly eat meals with their parents are less likely to smoke, drink, or use drugs? Research shows that conversations that happen around the dinner table will help you learn more about your children's lives and the challenges they face.

We encourage you to eat dinner as a family as often as you can, but we realize the busy schedules families have today make it hard to plan regular family meals. We want you to join us for dinner. It's free, and will give you and your family an opportunity to have a fun evening out together. Come enjoy a casual meal and fellowship with your family and neighbors. In addition to food and fun, we'll have some drawings for prizes/books. AR Family Night, and a homework helper work-shop from 4:00-5:00 or 6:00-7:00 will also take place during this time. We will have members from the MCADAPT committee, KYASAP, Gateway Community Action, a K9 officer along with a K9 dog, and our School Resource Officers will be on hand during the dinner to answer any questions concerning drugs and alcohol. Stop by the Library Media Center to get caught reading! Students who visit the library to read and take AR tests will be entered for prize drawings throughout Family Night. Show your support for your school library! Please visit the library to show your support for Mapleton's Library Media Center by signing the **Declaration for the Rights to Libraries!** Did you know that--

- Our library media center finds books for students to encourage independent reading and to foster a love of reading.
- Today's school libraries are designed to provide college and career readiness to students by teaching the skills they need to succeed in a world that is becoming more technologically-advanced.
- Good school library programs are essential to a good education.

Because of the success of previous Family Days, we are going to have two seatings. The first will be from 4:45-5:45 and the second will be 6:00-7:00. We'll try to give you your choice of time, but the sooner you register, the more likely you are to get your choice. To register please call the Family Resource Center at 497-8751 between October 22-28 from 7:30-3:30.

If you need Christmas assistance, participation at two of these events will qualify your child for Christmas assistance. You can register that night. You must sign in and pick up a card verifying your attendance at two or more of these events. If you need more information, please call the Family Resource Center at 497-8751. We look forward to seeing you there!

### October/November 2013

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
28 Report Cards Go Home	29 Family Night 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	30	31	1 Fall Celebrations 1:15 p.m.
4	5	6	7	8 Veterans' Day Celebration
11 No School Staff Professional Development Day	12	13	14 Picture Retake Day	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27 No School Thanksgiving Break	28 No School Thanksgiving Break	29 No School Thanksgiving Break