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## Llewellyn Friday Family Announcements

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### A Message from Principal Pam:

Happy New Year! Welcome to 2020! It has been great first week back. Vacations and breaks are so valuable for rejuvenation and time to spend with our family and friends. A winter wedding brought more than the usual number of relatives to town, which while making life busy, filled my bucket. I hope you all had the time to spend with families and friends enjoying each other's company and celebrating traditions together.

Since returning from Winter Break, we haven't seemed to miss a beat. Students are busy continuing important learning in non-fiction reading and writing, our second graders are preparing for their upcoming concert (January 28th), and our building is getting fitted for increased safety features. If you see workers in orange sweatshirts, those are the electricians installing speakers and wiring the school for upgraded security features, including Emergency Notifications abilities in the school common areas, such as the gym, cafeteria, and hallways. They will also be installing an electronic door lock/video intercom system on the front door. When complete, visitors will need to "buzz the office" to enter the building. A large screen will allow us to see who is at the door. All doors, including the front door, will remain locked during school hours. Once in, visitors are still expected to come to the office to sign in the Raptor system for visitors and volunteers. This process will take a few weeks to complete. We will keep you posted as to when the system will begin here at Llewellyn.

Another important piece of news (for those of you who might not already be aware), is the loss of first grade teacher Aubrey Pagenstecher. Teacher Aubrey has accepted a new position as the Media Specialist at Ainsworth Elementary and will begin in that placement next week. She was not expecting to make a change mid-year, but the fact that Mr. Chou is able to step into the classroom full-time gave here the reassurance she needed to pursue this opportunity. After fifteen years in the classroom, and with a changing family, Llewellyn is excited for this opportunity for Teacher Aubrey. She has been a valuable member of our staff and she will be missed!

It has been wonderful to hear many students' stories of Winter Break adventures and experiences. They remind me how fortunate I am to be able to work with such a fun, loving, and caring community!

### From the Office:

The weatherpeople are threatening snow next week. Please keep your eye on the district webpage: <https://www.pps.net/>, or a local news station for up to date school delays and closures; they are your best source of information.

The submission deadline for the January issue of the *Star Flier* is Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>!

**For TAG Parents:**

Last Call for TAG Parents!!! Please send an email address to [lherrman@pps.net](mailto:lherrman@pps.net). Please include your name, student's name, and teacher.

We will only be communicating via the list serve and bulletin board from now on. Thank you!

**Llewellyn's OBOB Battle will be February 20th!!**

Teams should check their email for information about Llewellyn's battle as well as the dates for the regional and state battles. - Kimberly and Tracey, [klevelle@gmail.com](mailto:klevelle@gmail.com)

**PTA Clothing Center Volunteers Needed!**

5-6 Llewellyn volunteers are needed to volunteer at the PTA Clothing Center on Thursday, January 23rd from 9:30-1:30. Volunteers will help sort donations and assist PPS students in finding clothing.

The PTA Clothing Center is located at [Marshall Campus; 3905 SE 91st Avenue, Room B-60](#).

Please contact Sara Andersen at [sandersen81@gmail.com](mailto:sandersen81@gmail.com) with any questions or if you are able to volunteer. Thank you!

**The state testing windows are approaching**, with the first beginning in January. We believe information collected from state testing is valuable for parents and students to help inform educational decisions.

However, we understand that some families feel strongly about not participating in these assessments. For more information about state testing and the procedure for opting out, please visit this website: <https://www.pps.net/Page/1651>

Thank you.

PPS System Planning and Performance

**Meal Benefits – Families can apply at any time!**

While the Nutrition Services department has processed thousands of applications for free/reduced price meal benefits for families this fall and many others were directly certified (eligible) because they received SNAP benefits, we are finding that families who were eligible last year may not have reapplied this school year. On October 10, all families who were eligible last school year (2018-19) and did not reapply this school year, switched from free/reduced status to paid status. It is not too late! **You can still apply at any time.** If a family's financial situation has changed midyear, they can still apply throughout the school year. Please contact our department for further support: [mealbenefits@pps.net](mailto:mealbenefits@pps.net) or 503-916-3402

Whitney Ellersick, Senior Director, Nutrition Services

**Important Dates:**

January 13

Star Assemblies

K-2: 1:00 - 1:30

3-5: 1:30-2:00

January 15	Bottle Drop Day
January 20	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – MLK, Jr. Holiday
January 22 <a href="#">Night Flier.pdf</a>	Sellwood MS Fifth Grade Parent Information Night 6:30-7:30PM <a href="#">Sellwood Info</a>
January 24	PTA Fundraiser
January 27	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – Teacher Planning Day
January 28	Second Grade Concert 6:30PM
January 31	Health Screenings Follow-up 8:30AM-1:00PM Family Craft Night 5:30-7:30PM
February 4	PTA Meeting 7:00PM
February 7	Small-Tall Ball 6:00-8:00PM
February 10	K-2 Star Assembly 1:30PM
February 17	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – President's Day
February 19	Exclusion Day (Immunizations)
February 20	Llewellyn OBOB Battle
February 24	3-5 Star Assembly 1:30PM
February 25	Third Grade Concert 6:30PM
February 27	Connect to Kindergarten 6:00-7:30PM

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