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Llewellyn Friday Family Announcements 1/22

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Dear Families,

I want to open this newsletter with a recognition of the momentous occasion that took place last Wednesday, January 20th-the Inauguration of our new President, Joe Biden, and our new Vice President, Kamala Harris. While our community may not all agree politically, I think we can all agree that the election and the Inauguration have made an impression on our students. I know that some of you chose to watch the Inauguration with your child and others were able to watch it with their classmates at school. Students shared their excitement and hope for a brighter future seeing the President and Vice President take their Oath of Office. It was not lost on anyone that we were watching history be made with the swearing in of Kamala Harris as the highest-ranking female elected official in US history, and the first African American and first Asian American vice president ever.

As you all know, another amazing young woman also caught our eye and ear during the Inauguration, and that woman was 22 year old Youth Poet Laureate, Amanda Gordon. On Wednesday, she became the youngest poet to recite her own poem at a presidential inauguration. Since Wednesday her books have risen to the top of the best seller lists, even one that is yet to be published called *Change Sings*, written for children. Wisely said during a recent interview I read in the Los Angeles Times, "America is messy. It is still in its early development of all that we can become. And I have to recognize that in the poem. I can't ignore that or erase it. And so I crafted an inaugural poem that recognizes these scars and these wounds. Hopefully, it will move us toward healing them."

Throughout this difficult year, the young adults of America have impressed me time and time again and have made me hopeful for a brighter future ahead. Our students are watching them. It is my hope that our students will find their voice and be inspired to continue to move our nation forward. I hope their time at Llewellyn will help to make this possible.

Be Well! Be Safe!

Principal Pam

As busy parents with busy families, I hope you will excuse the repetition of some topics included in this week's newsletter. If you are anything like me, I can use a refresh of important topics when so much is on my plate.

The 2nd Edition of the Star Flier- Coming Soon!

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Limited In-Person Instruction (LIPI) at Llewellyn:

Since there have been some questions, I want to review information and update you all on a few more details regarding Limited In-Person Instruction shared in last week's newsletter. Again, I want to reiterate that the return to school for students *would not* begin with the whole student body returning, but rather a smaller number of students based on needs determined by school staff. This is called Limited In-Person Instruction, often referred to as LIPI.

LIPI will include:

- Cohorts of students no larger than 20 (depending on safety guidelines for the classrooms used-many of are classrooms are to only have up to 10-12 students) in grades K-3
- Will occur in the afternoons (times to be determined between the hours of 1-4:00pm) 2 days/ week for 2 hours
- Learning will be supplemental to the Distance Learning being used at this time
- There is a possibility that students would work with a teacher that is different from their classroom teacher.
- School Bus transportation will be available.
- Distance Learning will continue for all students.

While you may have heard that some PPS schools will be beginning LIPI as early as January 25th, Llewellyn is not scheduled to begin until the beginning of March (rather than late February as stated previously). This timeline is subject to change.

While I realize from this description you may feel you do not have a complete picture of how LIPI will look in action, I am curious as to how all of you are feeling about sending your children back to school in this format? If your child was invited to be a part of a small group of students who would come to Llewellyn two days per week for two hours to work on foundational skills, social emotional learning, social skills, or other important skills, would you be willing to have them participate? **If you could take a moment to complete a brief survey, I would really appreciate your feedback. Here is the link to the LIPI Survey: [Llewellyn LIPI Participation Survey for Parents](#)** Stay tuned for more information as it is ready to share.

Report Cards:

On Friday, February 5th you will receive your child's Quarter 2 Report Card. These will be emailed as in the fall. (Note: If you need a paper copy mailed to you, please let your child's teacher know and we will get that to you.) Remember, the Q2 report card will look very different from the Fall Progress Note. For more details regarding grades or markings that will be used, please refer to last week's newsletter. You can find a copy uploaded onto the Llewellyn School website. <https://www.pps.net/domain/2329>

Assessments:

Over the next few weeks teachers may be assessing students in preparation for completing report cards as well as other state required assessments. Assessment types and schedules will be shared by your child's teacher. Most assessments will occur during regular class time, and be of a more routine nature such as a math unit test. One exception to this will be a required assessment for our Kindergarten and new to Llewellyn 1st Graders. Senate Bill 1003, otherwise known as Oregon's Dyslexia Legislation, requires that all Kindergarten and new first grade students in Oregon public schools get screened for signs of Dyslexia. Kinder and 1st Grade teachers will be sharing more information about the test and test schedules with you soon.

MAP Assessments:

PPS will have a MAP testing window for grades 3-8 in math and reading from February 1-26. Earlier this month, you should have received an email from Dr. Shawn Bird, Chief of Schools, explaining MAP testing and outlining the benefits of your child's participation. A Copy of that letter can be found [HERE](#). We respect and understand that given the unprecedented times we are all experiencing, that you may choose to not have your child participate. Teachers will do their best to make this as positive an experience as possible.

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Front the Llewellyn School Counselors:

The Llewellyn counseling team has started our Mindful Monday and Lunch Bunch groups, and it has been great getting to hang out with students during their lunch break. Our Mindful Mondays groups focus on a mindfulness activity, while lunch bunches are a fun time for kids to connect with other students in their grade while we play games or listen to stories.

Our groups are **open to all students** and are held from **11:30 am - 12 pm**:

- Ms. Allie will teach Kindergarten – 2nd Grade - **Meeting Code:** MsAllieCounseling **Mondays:** K-2 Mindful Mondays / **Tuesdays:** Kindergarten / **Wednesdays:** 1st grade / **Thursdays:** 2nd grade
- Ms. Brittany will teach 3rd – 5th Grade - **Meeting Code:** MsBrittanyC **Mondays:** 3rd -5th Mindful Mondays / **Tuesdays:** 5th grade / **Wednesdays:** 4th grade / **Thursdays:** 3rd grade

Come join us for Mindful Monday and lunch bunch next week - we can't wait to see you!,

Ms. Allie and Miss Brittany

From the Llewellyn School Nurse:

The Sun is shining and it is so amazing! Enjoy and get some exercise outside!

Health Insurance

Families that have had a loss of income or have lost insurance coverage could be eligible for the Oregon Health Plan. Go to www.oregonhealthcare.gov to apply. Certified assisters can help you apply; find one through the website or by calling 800-699-9075.

Immunization Records

Thank you again for updating your child's immunizations and getting those records to us! You can email or mail them into us to get them updated. lteixeir@mesd.k12.or.us

* You also might be interested in checking this Blog out regarding immunizations:

<https://shotofprevention.com/>

Shot of Prevention is a community blog where individuals, parents, medical professionals and others gather to discuss current events and issues regarding immunizations.

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From the District:**FREE/REDUCED ELIGIBILITY FOR PEBT AND OTHER BENEFITS**

While meals are served at no cost to children ages 1-18 at several Portland Public School sites this year, there are several benefits for eligible families to submit a meal application this school year.

- Families approved for free and reduced-price meals may be eligible to receive future potential government assistance such as Pandemic EBT benefits.
- Families may be eligible for other benefits such as school related fee reduction or waivers, low cost internet and health coverage.

Families do not need to submit a meal application if any of the following apply:

- All students in the household attend a Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) school (list located online: <https://www.pps.net/Page/2088>) where students eat meals at no cost.
- A meal application has already been submitted and approved for the 2020-21 school year.
- The household received a 2020-21 Direct Certification Approval letter.

Eligible families who would like to submit a meal application have the following options:

- 1.

Online at www.schoolcafe.com/pps.

2. Print, complete and mail back a paper meal application (<https://www.pps.net/Page/2464>) to PPS Nutrition Services, 501 N. Dixon St., Portland, OR 97227.
3. Request a paper meal application be mailed home from mealbenefits@pps.net or call (503) 916-3402.

For meal benefits related questions, please email mealbenefits@pps.net or call (503) 916-3402.

Important Dates:

January 28	End of Quarter 2
January 29	Teacher Planning Day- No School
February 5	Report Cards sent home (email)
February 15	Presidents Day- No School
February ?	Sing Along (by grade pairs) More details to come soon!

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