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Llewellyn Friday Family Announcement 10/2

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Dear Llewellyn Families,

Back To School Nights: Thank you so much to those of you who were able to join us for our annual Llewellyn Back To School Nights! I know it added one more thing to your already busy lives, but I hope you enjoyed the evening and that the information was useful. I am attaching the slides presented in case you were not able to attend or if you would like to look more carefully at any of the information provided. I had a chance to visit classrooms during the Teacher Presentations and enjoyed hearing your questions and comments and seeing our incredible staff at work. We really appreciate all the positive feedback and support you are providing for our teachers. I hope their presentations helped to clarify or answer any questions or wonderings you may have had. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any further questions.

[Principal Pam's BTSN Slide Deck for 9/29 & 9/30/20](#) Check it out!

Schedule Reflection: Again I want to thank everyone who was able to attend the Scheduling Discussion on September 21st. Since that time I have spent time reflecting on the feedback and, as promised, shared the parent feedback, questions, and comments along with feedback from staff with my supervisor. Taking into the account all of the feedback, where we are in the school year, and the possibility of our return to the building in November, the decision for now is to maintain the schedules we are now using with the knowledge that teachers can continue to adapt and refine them as much as possible according to student needs and feedback from families. On a positive note, students are settling in to their schedules and attendance is high. In a world that sometimes pivots on a dime, it is important to have set routines and schedules that provide stability. While we understand that the schedule is not perfect for every family, we really appreciate all the support you give to your children in helping them to adapt to this year's school schedules and routines.

Parley with Principal Pam: Now that we have settled into our new school year, I would like to bring back the opportunity to share in monthly discussion sessions with you. In the past these have been hosted in the morning as a coffee chat, however, since many of you are supporting your students in the morning for school, I will host the sessions in the evening. Our first Chat with Principal Pam (or should I call it Parley with Principal Pam?) will be on Tuesday, October 20th at 6:00-6:30 pm. Here is the meeting link:

meet.google.com/xyu-xzhd-kgv I hope you can join me!

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend! Congratulations, you have made it to October! Thank you for all you do!

Warmest Wishes,

Principal Pam

TAG Information Night is coming! Thursday, October 8 at 6:00 pm.

Come hear about TAG at Llewellyn School. Lauren Herrmann, our TAG Coordinator, and I will share information about TAG during Distance Learning and provide time to answer any questions you may have. Here is the meeting link: meet.google.com/mkx-odzv-ets

From the Counseling Department:

Happy first week of October, Llewellyn families!

Over the last two weeks I have had the pleasure of joining almost every classroom, and I am so impressed with all of your students. The focus of my first live lesson has been getting to know the kids a little better, as well as talking about the resiliency strategy of “**helper people**”. We talked about the importance of supportive people - who they can turn to in terms of stress or sadness - and *how* those people help you. I have been very impressed with the range of answers I have heard - things such as: a wise uncle who gives good advice, a pet who can cheer them up just by being there, a coach who encourages them when they are not feeling confident, or a sibling who helps with homework. Having a support system is a very important piece in resiliency, and there are actually studies that show [social support appears to be associated with resilience](#).

As I wrote in my last newsletter, I have created a Virtual Classroom which includes links and resources and can be used as a “calming room” for students. The link for that can be found here: [Ms. Allie's virtual classroom](#) - feel free to let your student(s) know that there is a link to a form on the first page if your student would like to check-in with me. I also updated the [Llewellyn Counseling website](#), which includes a Family Check-In form if you would like to check in with me.

I would love for Llewellyn students to join my Seesaw as well, and you can help your students join me by...
1.) Go to app.seesaw.me 2.) Choose "I'm a Student" 3.) Sign in using your school Google account or email address 4.) Click on your profile icon on the top left 5.) Click on the +Join Class button 6.) **Type in the code: KYVA RBOJ. This code expires on October 8, 2020**

Have a wonderful week!,

Ms. Allie

From the District:

Greetings, Parents and Guardians -

You are invited to join Portland Public School and RMC Health for a Free, Virtual Workshop on "**How to Start the Conversation: Supporting Young People's Social Emotional Well-being**", **October 21, 2020 from 6:00pm - 8:00pm.**

Who should attend:

- Parents, caregivers and guardians of PPS youth in grades K-12
- Young people accompanied by their parents, guardians or caregivers

Why should you attend:

The presence of a trusted adult in a young person's life can have a big impact, however not everyone is or can be a trusted adult. Children and young people identify a Trusted Adult as someone they can turn to for help who will take them seriously. Youth who have someone to go to with their problems are healthier, more resilient, and make healthier choices.

This workshop will provide:

- Knowledge about how to support young people in their development, and
- Give adults new skills to engage in conversations that further strengthen your relationship as a trusted adult.

How to register: Please [register here](#)

For more information: Please see the attached flier: [TA PPS Flyer.pdf](#)

Space is limited to 30 families. Register today! Note: *This workshop is in English. We are working with culturally specific organizations to offer culturally specific versions of this workshop. Where able, culturally specific workshops will be facilitated by and for cultural community members.*

MUSE Band is accepting Grade 4-5 students for Fall classes. See the attached flier for more information:

[M.U.S.E. Band Reg Form 4-5 PPS.pdf](#)

Important Dates:

October 8 TAG Information Night 6:00-7:00PM

October 9 **NO SCHOOL** - Statewide Inservice Day for Teachers

October 13 PTA Meeting - 6:00 pm

October 20 Parley with Pam (Chat with the Principal) 6:00-6:30 pm

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