

Stacey Lovett <slovett1@pps.net>

Llewellyn Friday Family Announcments 10/30

1 message

Mark Robb <mrobb@pps.net> Reply-To: noreply@pps.net To: slovett1@pps.net Fri, Oct 30, 2020 at 4:31 PM

Dear Llewellyn Families,

As Election Day comes closer, there is an energy one can feel in our community, our city, our state, and our country: some of it hopeful and some stressful. We are all experiencing the stressors and challenges brought on by the pandemic, racial tensions, economic hardships, the recent wildfires, and Distance Learning, yet we have persevered, leaning on each other as a community for support. On November 3rd, and most likely for weeks afterward, the stress and anxiety related to election results will weigh heavily on all of us, most especially our BIPOC students and families who may experience this trauma differently and more intensely.

Recognizing that students may feel anxiety like the adults around them, we know it will be important to make space for students to share their feelings about the outcome of the election in a productive manner while at school. We also want to provide a sense of normalcy for students, so we will continue to practice regular routines and follow our usual schedules. As a district, our vision is to prepare students to be "compassionate critical thinkers, able to collaborate and solve problems, and be prepared to lead a more socially just world." Learning about the Democratic process is part of that important learning. I want to thank our teachers who have already shared lessons and engaged students in learning about the election process and those who will in the coming weeks. Additionally, I am grateful for our District's focus on SEL, especially around the skills of resilience and our school's continued emphasis on our school values of Responsibility, Respect, Kindness, and Building Community. These will carry us far in the coming weeks.

If you or your child should need support, please know that there are resources available in our school and district. I believe the Superintendent/District will be publishing a list of these soon (I do not have live links at this time). Here at Llewellyn, if extra support is needed beyond your child's classroom teacher, please reach out to our school counselor or me. Together we can face any challenge!

BE SAFE! BE WELL! Principal Pam



 \swarrow Let's have lunch!! I'd like to invite individual grade levels to a Principal Pam Lunch Bunch in the coming weeks. We can chat and eat our lunch together! Here is a list of the dates and times for the first groups:

Monday, November 9th @ 11:30 Kindergarten

Tuesday, November 10 @11:30 Grade 1

Thursday, November 12 @ 11:30 Grade 2

Parents, please help your child to join with this link (from google) meet.google.com/evn-dbjy-psw (the

meeting code is the last 9 letters of this link) *Note: Grades 3-5 dates will be in next week's newsletter.

 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ **Star Flier** - Do your children love to write? Do they have great stories already written? Please invite and encourage your child to send a piece of writing (doesn't have to be long) to Mark Robb (mrobb@pps.net) by December 4th. We'd love to have a picture (photo) that goes with the story as well. Thanks for helping to revive this school tradition! We hope to put out this year's first edition in December.

Shift Fall Parent Teacher Conferences are Monday, November 23 and Tuesday, November 24! Teachers will send conference invites to you November 2nd (Monday!). Please sign up! This is a great opportunity to see how your child is progressing and discuss any important information you may want to share with your child's teacher.

☆ Pumpkin Activities

Our PTA organized another fun annual pumpkin contest, which was held virtually this year. We were thrilled to receive over 60 fabulous submissions from Llewellyn students! Students who submitted an entry will receive an email soon about their participation prize. Check out the online gallery of creative submissions here: <u>https://photos.app.goo.gl/QXbCRp6wAmvjdcKy7</u>

Looking for other pumpkin fun? Check out this parent-led art pumpkin drawing video lesson organized by your PTA: <u>https://vimeo.com/469407819</u>

We wish you a safe and fun Halloween!

☆ From Ms. Bernardo (PE)

WOW!!! I would like to personally thank all families/ guests and students that participated in Bring PE Your Family to PE week. The turnout was amazing! I would also like to thank Ms. Gwynn, Ms. McCoy, Mr. Rozell,

Ms. Prelosky, Ms. Coholan, and Ms. Brittany for stopping by and joining in with the fun. Please look for future announcements about another Bring PE to Your Family Week. THANK YOU!!!

☆ Llewellyn's Virtual Book Fair Begins Next Week!

Dear Parents and Families:

The Scholastic Book Fair is back! While the Fair will be exclusively held online this year, we still plan on making it a fun and joyous experience for our kids. Features include:

- Llewellyn's own online store, with a large selection of titles
- A Virtual Fair so you and your kids can experience the magic of the school shopping experience. Browse titles by grade, meet popular authors, and discover the comfort and joy of our Fair
- Every dollar you spend will benefit our school directly (25% back in rewards!)

Save these dates and view our school's Fair site:

Fair Dates: November 2nd–November 13

Online Store: https://www.scholastic.com/bf/llewellyn

We can't wait to "see" you at the Fair!

Margaret Forsythe - Llewellyn's Book Fair Chair

Important Dates:

Daylight Savings Time Ends November 1st-Don't forget to set your clocks back 1 hour!

November 5 End of Quarter 1

November 6 No School - Teacher Planning Day

November 11 No School - Veterans Day

November 23-24 No School - Parent Teacher Conferences (sign ups coming November 2nd)

November 26-27 No School - Thanksgiving Holiday

Portland Public Schools would like to continue connecting with you via email. If you prefer to be removed from our list, please contact Portland Public Schools directly. To stop receiving all email messages distributed through our SchoolMessenger service, follow this link and confirm: Unsubscribe

SchoolMessenger is a notification service used by the nation's leading school systems to connect with parents, students and staff through voice, SMS text, email, and social media.