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# Llewellyn Friday Family Announcements

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## A Message from Principal Pam:

"Wherever there is a human need, there is an opportunity for kindness and to make a difference." Kevin Heath

We are in the final stretch before the Winter Break. In the hustle and bustle of the season, it can be hard to find the time to reflect for a moment on how the year has been so far. Teachers have been putting an amazing amount of effort into providing high quality learning experiences for students using new curriculum materials and learning units. Observing in classrooms, I have seen students highly engaged in writing, reading, and problem solving in math. In fact, students have been so engrossed in their writing that they groan when asked to stop! How often does that happen?

Last month's Kindergarten Music performance was so much fun. To see the joy on their faces as they shared their songs is so rewarding. I can hardly wait for the First Grade Concert Next week (Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>)!

In this season of giving, we at Llewellyn are thankful for all we have received. Our classroom volunteers and school groups such as the PTA, Site Council, and Foundation are working hard to support students and staff. Fundraising efforts (Wrapping Paper and Wreath Sales) have yielded great returns and will allow students to have quality art experiences. Staff greatly appreciated the support during Parent Teacher Conferences through parent attendance and the wonderful dinners served both nights. Thank you everyone for all you do for us every day!

During the recent PTA meeting, parents asked about the renovation plans for Cleveland. The most recent information I can find is on the PPS website, http://www.pps.net/Page/14292. There will be a Community Forum on December 10<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:30 pm in the Cleveland HS library. They will be discussing overall program needs, site layout, and estimated costs through a process called Conceptual Master Planning.

#### From the Office:

The deadline to submit articles for December's issue of the Star Flier is Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. We hope you will encourage your students to contribute something. As always, please contact Mark in the office if you have any questions!

## From the Counselor:

Dear Llewellyn Families,

I wanted to extend my gratitude for the overwhelming generosity of our community in helping to support our school's Community Care Program. Your donations have gone a long way to support our students and families. This year, with your help, we were able to support over forty families for the Thanksgiving and Winter breaks!

One of my goals as the facilitator of this program is to help make it sustainable and, eventually, be able to support families all year long not only over breaks and holidays, but also over the long weekends. With your donations and volunteering I believe we are closer to reaching this goal. Thank you!

The Holiday Giving Tree will be available for community members to participate starting Monday (December 9<sup>th</sup>). If you would like to participate, please stop by the office to select a giving heart from the tree.

-Brittany Sill-Turner, Llewellyn School Counselor

#### From the Music Department:

Tuesday, December 10th, 6:30pm is our 1st Grade Music Program. It should last about 30-40 minutes. We would like to have students wear clothing of their choice (nice school clothes are fine). Students need to arrive at or before 6:15pm and line up in the hallway with Principal Pam. Parents need to find a seat in the Cafetorium.

We will be recording the evening's performance, editing it and packaging it up for you. Copies can be purchased for a \$5 donation to the Music Department. We will be offering the option of a DVD copy or a secret link invitation for viewing. Please make checks out to Llewellyn Elementary. The proceeds are used to provide instruments and musical experience opportunities for the students at Llewellyn. This is our only source of monies for Music at our school. I thank you in advance for helping our students to experience some wonderful creative opportunities.

I look forward to having you and your student join us for our program on the 10th. The students are so excited to share with you the wonderful songs they have learned!

Lavonna Zeller-Williams-Bratschi

Music, Llewellyn Elementary

**OBOB signup deadline is coming!** Please sign up your team by Friday December 13th. You may register your team by filling out the form at http://bit.ly/obobllewellyn

## Winter Session After School Classes Coming Soon!

Registration is just around the corner for our next Winter Session of After School Classes, which will go from January 6 - March 20.

This session we are launching a NEW ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM that we hope will be easy for everyone to use. And, bonus ... it allows for online payments, too! Registration will open at 9am on Thursday, December 16 and will still be first come, first served. However, with this new system, you can GO IN NOW and PREVIEW CLASS DETAILS (including prices) and also SET UP YOUR CHILD'S PROFILE ahead of time, so you're all set to register on December 16. We encourage you to do so at this link: https://tinyurl.com/LlewellynWinter2020

We will still have a limited number of scholarships available for those in need of financial assistance. Scholarships will work a bit differently in the new registration system, as it requires payment at the time of registration. Therefore, as you are previewing the class options in the new system, if you would like to request a scholarship for any of the classes, please reach out to make your request in advance of December 16. You can contact Tori Harms (toriharms@gmail.com) or Caitlin Stauffer (cdoherty12@hotmail.com) for scholarship requests or any other after school class questions.

A flier should come home today with your student, but just in case we've attached it here: After School Classes Winter 2020.pdf

#### Chinook Book Fundraiser

If you missed buying a book while 5th graders were selling Chinook Books, we still have 10 Book/App combos for \$25 each and 6 Apps for \$15 each. If you still need to purchase one contact Tammy Dean and she'll hook you up. tammysdean1974@gmail.com

Money earned still goes to the 5th grade overnight trip.

Mark your calendars for January 24th and join us for a Grown Up Fancy Night Out to benefit the 5<sup>th</sup> grade overnight. Make it a date night or mix and mingle with friends, and win some amazing prizes while you are there. Look for more information on Konstella or contact nancy rohde@hotmail.com or Darciwalkerpsyd@gmail.com for details.

Day with the Cleveland High School Dance Team is coming up on December 14th for all Kindergarten through 8th grade dancers! Deadline for a guaranteed participant t-shirt is December 2nd. See the attached for a Flier: Day with Dance Team Flyer (1).pdf and Registration Packet: Day with Dance Team Registration.pdf Registration Packets are also available in the Llewellyn office. You can also register online and bring payment day of at https://forms.gle/FNwNVks5FnHJ5cDt8 Email coach Ana with any questions (areiser42@gmail.com).

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.

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#### **Important Dates:**

December 9 K-2 Star Assembly 1:30PM

December 10 First Grade Concert 6:30PM

December 11 **Bottle Drop Day** 

December 16 3-5 Star Assembly 1:30PM December 18 **Bottle Drop Day** 

Fall After School Classes End December 20

December 21-January 5 NO SCHOOL – Winter Break

**School Resumes** January 6

January 13 K-5 Star Assembly 1:30PM

January 14 PTA Meeting 7:00PM

NO SCHOOL - MLK, Jr. Holiday January 20

January 24 PTA Fundraiser

January 27 **NO SCHOOL** – Teacher Planning Day

January 28 Second Grade Concert 6:30PM

January 31 Family Craft Night 5:30-7:30PM

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