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Llewellyn Friday Family Announcements 2/5

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Dear Llewellyn Families,

Considered the Mother of the Civil Rights Movement this bold and courageous woman's actions and words continue to inspire others to action. *"I have learned over the years that when one's mind is made up, this diminishes fear; knowing what must be done does away with fear."* Yesterday, February 4th, would have been Rosa Park's 108th birthday.



Black History Month has just begun, but already our students have been involved in a wide variety of experiences involving books, videos, music, art and much much more! Students have been learning about Black scientists, artists, leaders and authors, to name a few. In Kindergarten classroom students read *Our Children Can Soar* by Michelle Cook, watched a video about Black History Month and had rich conversations about why Black History Month is important. In a first grade classroom, students read about Rosa Parks on Thursday and talked about ways that Trimet is honoring her achievements. In second grade, students created exuberant, colorful, abstract pictures inspired by Alma Woodsey Thomas, a Black artist and teacher recognized as a major American painter of the 20th century.

I can't wait to share more about what our students are learning and involved in this month around Black History!

Be Safe! Be well!

Principal Pam

The Star Flier-2nd Edition is ready for you and your family to enjoy! Thank you to all the author's who contributed your pieces to this month's edition. You are now published authors!!! Congratulations! [February 5.pdf](#)

Report Cards have been completed and should arrive in the mail next week to your address listed in Synergy. If you are not currently at that address, please let your child's teacher know so that a copy can be emailed to you.

Llewellyn's Limited In-Person Plan has been submitted for approval by district leaders. As stated previously, while I wish that we could offer this opportunity to more students, it is important that we start small to ensure safety at this time due to the fact that many cases of COVID are still present in our county.

We continue to prioritize our youngest students as a strong start to school helps to ensure success in later years. The plan currently will involve only a small number of Kindergarten students. We are limited in the number of students we can invite due to social distancing guidelines based on classroom size. I would like to invite all **Kindergarten parents to an informational meeting next Wednesday, Feb. 10 at 6:00 pm**. At this meeting I will share our plan, discuss safety measures, transportation, and explain what the sessions will include. It is my hope that parents will come away from this meeting feeling more confident in making a decision, should your child be invited to attend LIPI in March.

Meeting link: meet.google.com/gyf-tkdn-pzs

MAP Testing: Grades 3-5

As we continue through Comprehensive Distance Learning (CDL), an important step for teachers is to understand your student's most essential learning needs. To collect this valuable information, students in grades 3-8 will take Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessments. The MAP assessment is a low stakes test - this means that the results are not used for grading students or for school accountability purposes. If you have concerns about your student participating in this test, please talk with your student's teacher. Parents can decline participation. If you make the decision to have your child opt-out, please complete this google form [Llewellyn MAP Assessment Opt-Out Form](#). Students not participating in the tests will complete independent activities and can utilize PPS activities in Clever such as DreamBox or Lexia.

Normally, the MAP assessment is conducted in the classroom setting but, because of distance learning, students will take this assessment at home. Testing will take place between February 1- 26. Students should take no longer than 2 hours to complete each subject. Most students will complete in about an hour of testing time. Younger children may need assistance from an adult in the home. **Click here to review a parent guide about this assessment.** Your student's teacher will provide further information about when the test will be given. The district will provide your student's scores to you following the assessment window.

Successful Schools Survey Window will be open February 8th- March 12th!

Don't miss the chance to have your voice heard and inform the direction of your school and the district for the years to come. Watch your email for more information and a link to the survey from PPS coming soon!

Touchscreen Chromebooks have arrived for K-2 Students! If you were not able to exchange your child's chromebooks during our previous dates, **we will have another exchange day on Wednesday, February 10 from 2:00-4:00pm at the main entrance** or please contact Principal Pam (pgwynn@pps.net) to arrange a time to make your exchange.

From the Llewellyn Library

EXCITING NEWS!!

Llewellyn students have a special opportunity to participate in a **free, virtual author visit with bestselling children's author, Alan Gratz on Wed. Feb. 10 at 10:30am**. Some of his popular books include Refugee, Ban This Book, Allies, Projekt 1065, and more. His fiction typically appeals to middle grades (4th & 5th graders) the most, but any student is welcome to come hear from this published author. Use the Crowdcast link from Alan Gratz to register and attend this event: <https://www.crowdcast.io/e/176csk15>.

Students will be able to submit questions for him to answer from the Crowdcast link. Also, **you can order one of his signed books** by clicking on this link: <https://greenbeanbookspdx.indielite.org/alan-gratz-author-visit>

When prompted to "Select Shipping Cost," type Llewellyn Elementary. There should be no shipping cost this way.

Want more information about Alan Gratz or his visit, check this [quick slideshow](#).

OBOB Teams have been finalized, and we have 16 teams of readers participating! If any family members of OBOB participants wish to learn more about our OBOB competition, please attend an **informational Google Meet on Friday, Feb. 12 at 12:00 pm by entering the code: LlewellynOBOB2021**.

Remember you can come to the library doors any Tuesday or Thursday between 10:30-2:00 to get great books for your student.

Any questions, let Nancy Gilkey, our Teacher-Librarian know at ngilkey@pps.net.

From the Llewellyn PTA

Valentine Art Project:

The end of January means February is upon us - which means kids' (third-ish) favorite holiday - Valentine's Day! While we may not get to indulge their sweet tooth with classroom parties quite like in years' past, we are keeping the spirit of Valentine's Day alive with a community-wide Valentine's art project.

Come by Llewellyn to pick up a packet that contains everything you need to make three heart-shaped sun catchers. We've also included supplies to allow you to hang your favorite to your window. We hope folks will enjoy seeing these colorful hearts as they walk around the neighborhood.

For those who prefer less of a crowd, I will also keep a box or two at our house, [6106 SE 13th Ave](#) (just a block away from Llewellyn).

Thanks to Allison Eshel for the design idea and instructions, and thanks to all who support the PTA for making this project possible!

This video has more details and examples of how to complete the project. You can also find this on the Llewellyn PTA website: <https://llewellynpta.com/>

<https://vimeo.com/508068228>

Details:

What: Valentine's Art Project Pick-up

When: February 1-5 and 8-12, 7:30 am - 4 pm

Where: Llewellyn front steps (the covered ones on both ends) or [6106 SE 13th Ave](#)

PTA Meeting Tuesday, Feb. 9

Please join us on Tuesday at 7:00 for our monthly meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83665286406?pwd=MEJ3NjNyUWRQTDNXNndLVHVtaDk2QT09>

Meeting ID: 836 6528 6406

Passcode: 144039

Calling all graphic designers! Seeking someone with the skills to make a super fantabulous design for the next generation of Llewellyn Gear. Do you have the skills to help us? Questions? If so, please contact Allison Eshel at allisoneshel@gmail.com or 971 295 2882 by Friday, February 12.

Thank you - **go stars!**

Important Dates:

- February 5 Report Cards sent home (by mail)
- February 9 PTA Meeting- I will discuss LIPI survey and answer questions/concerns raised
- February 10 **Author's Visit @ 10:30 am Alan Gratz (see above)**
- February 12 OBOB Info meeting (see above)**
- February 15 Presidents Day-**No School**
- February 19 **Sing Along Google Meet Code: zwb2021**
K/1: 12:15 - 12:45 2/3: 12:55 - 1:25 4/5: 1:35 - 2:05
- February 1-26 MAP Assessments Window (see teacher for specific dates)
- Feb. 8-March 12 Successful Schools Survey (more information coming soon)

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