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# Llewellyn Friday Family Announcements

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#### A Message from Principal Pam:

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the Llewellyn Auction on Friday, March 13th! It is going to be scary fun! I want to thank the Auction committee, all the volunteers, and community sponsors of this great event. The money raised is so important for providing extra staffing needed to combat our large class sizes and give that extra scoop of personalized attention for our students. In the past, Llewellyn families have been able to raise enough money to be able to hire another teacher. This year, Foundation funds have been used to employ four Educational Assistants. They have been able to provide individual and small group instruction to students or to monitor the class so that the teacher can work with individual and small groups of students in each grade, K-5. This has been valuable to teachers who feel students learning has benefited from their careful attention. Please help us to be able to bring this incredible group of Educational Assistants back next year!

We have had many questions about our new security system and when it will be activated. **We will be activating the full system as of Monday, March 9th.** What this means to you is that starting Monday, the front doors of the school will be locked during most of the school day. The doors will be unlocked from 7:45-8:10AM, and 2:00-2:40PM, but at all other times you will need to use the "Call Office" button located to the right of the doors to request entry. The request for entry comes to the office over the phones, which means if office personnel are on the phone, it may take a moment to "buzz you in"; so please be patient.

If you have students who attend After School Classes, please wait for them outside the front door. Teachers for After School Classes will be instructed to bring their students to the front door to be released when class is over.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Staffing Updates! If you were not able to attend last Tuesday's PTA meeting, I would like to share with you some additional great news. In addition to the extra Kindergarten and Counselor shared previously, next year we will also have a fourth First grade. This brings us to 4 Kindergarten, 4 first grade and 3 classes in grades 2-5. We will continue to have two CB classrooms, one for grades K-2 and another for 3-5. Speech and language services will also increase a bit, and ELL services will still be offered.

We had a successful Kindergarten Connect and along with the many families that came to explore Kindergarten, we also were visited by a few First grade families. Good thing we will have another first grade! Thank you to Stacey Lovett, the Kindergarten Team, and all the volunteers who helped make this a very welcoming and successful night.

Lastly, we'd like you to welcome Beth Ricketson, our new CB K-2 teacher who joined us this week. She comes to us from the Serendipity School and brings a wealth of experience working with students with special needs as well as experience in theater and dramatic play. We are excited to have her!

#### From the Office:

Due to Spring Break the deadline for submissions for the next issue of the *Star Flier* is Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. Please encourage your student to contribute and article, poem, or comic!

Lost and Found will be cleaned out after school on Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>! Any unmarked and unclaimed items will be donated to the PTA Clothes Closet. Please take a moment to come by before or after school to make sure you have all of your students' items!

Attached here: Recommended PPS Calendar for SY2020-21.pdf please find the "recommended" PPS calendar for the 2020-2021 academic year. I expect the "normal" version to be available in the near future, but in the meantime, we wanted you to have this version so you could start planning vacations. (Please read it carefully! Personally, I find it weird because there are no weekends!)

As always, we encourage you to take vacations only on scheduled days off from school so your student can be absent as little as possible. Thank you for your support of your student's education!

### From the Counselor:

Dear Families,

Some of you may have already heard the exciting news that my husband and I are having a baby and it will be born in September! Since a few students had heard, I wanted to confirm this exciting news and talked with each class yesterday. Nothing should change for this year. Next year I will start the school year, take a leave of absence (the district will provide a substitute while I am gone), and then plan to return after the Winter Break! We are very excited and can't wait to welcome our baby into our family.

-Ms. Brittany

### From the District:

#### CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

The district has a live website to provide Coronavirus Updates that can be found at <u>pps.net/coronavirus</u>. Please share and visit to receive timely updates.

Also, please use the County's website for timely information: https://multco.us/health-officer/novelcoronavirus-covid-19

### COUNT ALL KIDS: 2020 U.S. CENSUS

Between April and June, everyone living in the United States will be asked to complete a simple questionnaire that asks for basic information about the people who live or sleep in their home. Children under the age of five, however, are often missed, as the opportunity to participate in the U.S. Census happens once every 10 years. Families and public schools receive funding based on Census data, including but not limited to; special education grants, head start, career & technical education, and general public/government assistance programs.

All Census information is private, confidential and protected by Title 13 of the U.S. Code. The Census will not ask for citizenship status or social security number.

Who can participate?

 $\checkmark$  Emerging bilingual families  $\checkmark$  Children under 5 (all ages)  $\checkmark$  Any child in an any adult's short or long term care  $\checkmark$  Renters and roommates  $\checkmark$  People 'who are not on the lease' at home  $\checkmark$  People who are undocumented  $\checkmark$  People navigating homelessness Please see the attached flier for more information: Census Fact Sheet.pdf Census Fact Sheet (Spanish).pdf

For more information on community-led efforts in Portland in the 2020 U.S. Census, visit #WeCountOregon at https://wecountoregon.com/.

For more questions or to request a community-led workshop for your school on the value of getting counted (spaces are limited), please reach Shanice Clarke at sclarke@pps.net.

## Spring Session After School Classes Coming Soon!

Registration is just around the corner for our next Spring Session of After School Classes, which will go from March 30-May 29 (the week immediately following Spring Break).

We will be using our NEWer registration system that allows online payments (same as this past Winter session). Registration will open at 9:00AM on Wednesday March 11<sup>th</sup> 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 March 11<sup>th</sup>. We encourage you to do so at this link: https://tinyurl.com/LlewellynSpring2020

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 March 11<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Caitlin Stauffer (cdoherty12@hotmail.com) for scholarship requests or any other after school class questions.

# Yoga Playgrounds

Fridays 2:15-3:30, April 3 - May 29, Grades K-4, Cost \$159

Registration: https://www.yogaplaygrounds.com

In these fun and active classes kids will stretch and energize their bodies and minds through individual and group poses, mindfulness games and creative relaxation techniques. Packed with playfulness, positivity and fun, these classes give kids the tools they need to manage their behaviors to lead happier, healthier and more peaceful lives.

### **Dessert Dash for the Auction?**

Here is your chance to show off your baking skills. We need 15 beautiful and delicious desserts for the auction on March 13th. Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054AA8AC2EA3FF2-dessert1

### Important Dates:

March 8 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME!

Set your clocks forward one hour!

March 9 K-2 Star Assembly 1:30PM

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March 13	Llewellyn Auction
March 16	3-5 Star Assembly 1:30PM
March 18	Bottle Drop Day
March 20	Lost & Found Clean-Out!
March 21-29	NO SCHOOL – Spring Break
March 30	School Resumes
March 31	Fourth Grade Concert 6:30PM
April 6	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – Teacher Planning Day
April 7	PTA Meeting 7:00PM
April 13	K-2 Star Assembly 1:30PM
April 16	Fifth Grade Play 6:00PM
April 20	3-5 Star Assembly 1:30PM
April 21	Fifth Grade Concert 6:30PM
April 22	Class Photo Day
April 28	Run Llewellyn

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