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Llewellyn Thursday Family Announcements

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Dear Families,

We are nearing this year's finish line. Only seven school days remaining. But who's counting? While the end of the year always brings a bit of sadness, especially this year with all we have endured and been through together, remember there is still a lot of fun ahead!

We have had to revise our largest end of the school year events (several times) in order to accommodate important events held at neighboring schools. We hope this revision will help you and your family as we know there may be some of you that would like to attend Graduation at Cleveland HS and the Sellwood Promotion. A few members of our staff would like to as well. Thank you for your flexibility and understanding.

5th Grade Drive Thru Promotion will be at 10:00 am, Tuesday, June 9th. Basically, family cars will line up on 14th Avenue, in front of the school. If you will not be driving, please line up on the sidewalk at the southern end of the block (near the backstop). 5th Grade Staff will hand students a package of items. You will continue toward a balloon arch, where you will have an opportunity to get out of your cars and take a picture of your graduate under the arch. Then you will get back in your car and continue through. We have had to scale back the number of staff who are able to celebrate with us due to District Safety Guidelines, but be sure that we will clap and make a huge fuss as we are so excited for all our 5th grade students have accomplished. *More information will be coming soon from your child's 5th grade teachers.*

Llewellyn Staff Parade will begin at 4:00pm, Tuesday, June 9th. Please celebrate with us as we follow the same route we used in April (see attached map below) from anywhere along the route close to your home. While the teachers and staff parade by please wave to us! The parade will leave Llewellyn at 4pm, so depending on your viewing location it may take us a bit to get to you! Please help us spread the word so all students and family members can witness the parade. We can't wait to see your smiling faces as we say goodbye to the 2019-2020 school year and celebrate our 5th graders and Kinders who have achieved an incredible milestone in their lives.

To keep this a fun occasion I want to remind you of important safety guidelines to follow:

- View the parade with your family only! Here is a map of the route:
- This is NOT a "play date." Students and parents MUST NOT mingle. I know they all miss their friends, but social distancing is working. Let's not mess this up!
- Carefully monitor your children at all times.
- Students must NOT join in the parade. You are to remain in your viewing area at all times.
- If the parade route does not pass in front of your home, make sure the spot you pick is 20 feet away from others. (I know we have all heard about the need to be a greater distance apart than 6 feet.)
 - The Governor has asked that we all wear masks when outside. If you are not on your porch or front steps, I think this is best.

- Teachers will not be hanging around after the parade (practicing our social distancing), so please return to your homes when it is finished.

- Remember that some families have asked that their students NOT be photographed. Please only publish pictures/video of your family to social media.

I hope these guidelines do not offend anyone, but as the safety of our students and your families is a priority, I felt I must include them. I know you are all as worried about the health and safety of everyone as I am and want to help to continue the progress we have made towards conquering this pandemic.

Student Item Pick Up Day will be on Thursday, June 11th. Finally you will have an opportunity to come retrieve your child's belongings. This will be another Drive-By event (we like themes!) in order to maintain safety and limit exposure.

- Each grade level will have a designated time for pick-up see chart below).
- Parents will drive to the front of the school (North to South), staff members will greet them, ask for the student name(s) and teacher. Staff members will retrieve their bags from the gym. Only PPS staff are allowed inside the building.

Grade	Time
Kindergarten	8:00-9:30 am
1st Grade	9:30-11:00 am
2nd Grade	11:00-12:30pm
3rd Grade	12:30-2:00 pm
4th Grade	2:00-3:30 pm
5th Grade	3:30-5:00 pm

I realize that some families work during the day, so I will stay for a bit longer to accommodate those who need it.

2020 Final Report Cards - The usual practice in June is to send final report cards allowing you to see where your child excels and where there is room for growth in each subject area. This year's final report cards will be very different. After moving to Distance Learning mid-March, schools prioritized care, connection, and continuity of learning for all students. Teachers focused on, maintaining connections with students, delivering innovative instruction, and ensuring that all learners had the opportunity to succeed and were not penalized by the extended school closure. The marks your child will receive are based solely upon their participation during Distance Learning. There will be additional space for teachers to add comments regarding student learning, however it is not required. Looking at these report cards with an equity lens, we recognize that each family has had to make school participation decisions based on their individual situations and we have appreciated your communication around your particular situation.

Distance learning marks will not adversely affect student placement in the 2020-21 school year.

District School Budgets and Fall Plans: The topics on all our minds!

While I don't have anything definite to share yet, we have been told that the budget will be better than expected due to cost saving measures (such as the furlough days, spending freezes, etc.). This is great news!!!

Will we return to Llewellyn or continue Distance Learning (or both)? State recommendations for Fall should come out by June 8th. PPS will follow shortly after that with what schools will look like in PPS. Stay tuned!

Warmest Regards,
Principal Pam

Register for Kindergarten Online! Tell your friends & Neighbors!!!

If you have a child who will be 5 years old by September 1, please register for kindergarten! To register, go to pps.net/kinderenroll. The process takes 20-30 minutes and school staff will follow up with you later in the summer. With schools closed, online registration is the easiest option, but paper options will be available soon. **You don't need to register** if your child attends a PPS Head Start or Pre-Kindergarten program. Coming soon: The Early Learner Programs team is developing a family-centered kindergarten transition plan. We know families are worried about the start to school, especially kinders. We're planning on a slower, more family-friendly approach this year. Early registration will ensure that families stay in the loop on updated plans for the start of school.

From the Office:

A reminder that online registration is now open to **all grades**. If you know someone who has recently moved into the neighborhood, or has a child beginning school, please encourage them to register online as soon as possible for next year. This will help keep our numbers up! Enrollment information can be found on the PPS webpage here: <https://www.pps.net/Page/2899>. If you have any questions, you can contact Stacey at slovett1@pps.net.

Support the Foundation Today!

The school auction may be over but there's still time to make a tax deductible donation to the Foundation! Help us reach our goal of \$20,000 by donating today. We are so close. Every gift helps and will provide our students with additional teaching resources next school year.

<https://lewellynauction2020.ggo.bid/bidding/package/13042494>

Thanks!

The Schoolhouse Supply Online order Page is OPEN!

See the attached fliers for information on how to order school supplies for next year. **Orders are due by July 19!** [Schoolhouse Supplies.pdf](#)

Additionally, you can help Schoolhouse Supplies earn donations just by shopping at Fred Meyer with your Rewards Card.

[Link your reward card online](#) to our organization ID #87712.

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