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Llewellyn Friday Family Announcements

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A Message from Principal Pam

Dear Families,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our first PTA meeting of the year last Tuesday. In my principal's address I shared current enrollment numbers and the process the District uses when determining whether a school will receive additional staffing after October 1st. Although our current numbers are high, if enrollment remains the same, it is unlikely that we will be allotted any further staffing from PPS. We are fortunate, however, due to the fundraising efforts of the Llewellyn community, to have a sizable Foundation fund available to obtain staffing designed to provide classroom and other student and school support. At the meeting I also shared the research I have done and the possible scenarios that have been considered in thinking how best to be a good steward of the Foundation dollars you have raised. Ultimately, if we cannot obtain an additional teacher for the fifth grade, then I would like the money to benefit as many students and teachers as possible as most all grade levels contain large class sizes. One such option is that of hiring at least three Educational Assistants. It seemed at the PTA meeting that many people were in support of this option. If you have any further questions or want to provide your input, please feel free to email me. I plan to hold interviews next week, then submit documents to HR as quickly as possible. Cross your fingers that HR will process the candidates quickly and we will have the EAs in our classrooms sooner rather than later.

Please join us for Curriculum Night on Tuesday, September 17 (grades 3-5) and Wednesday, September 18 (grades K-2). We will begin the evening at 6:00pm, where you will be introduced to the staff, hear from our PTA, Foundation, and new Art Program Director, Erin Hughes. I will also share feedback from survey questions discussed at this summer's Principal Meet and Greet in August. At 6:20pm the first classroom session will begin. A bell will ring signaling a second session at 6:40pm, allowing those who have more than one child in the K-2 or 3-5 grade levels to be able to visit more than one classroom. Teachers will present grade level curriculum, classroom management plans, classroom expectations, and homework policy. Don't forget to stop by the Music Room (portable behind the school), the Gym, our Library (Tuesday night only), the Learning Center, Speech Pathologists, School Psychologists, and other specialists who work with your students each week. Hope to see you there!

Additionally, an informational presentation about TAG in our school will be presented at 5:15pm in the Cafetorium, before Curriculum Night on Tuesday, September 17th. Parents of newly identified or parents who have questions about the TAG process are encouraged to join us.

From the Office:

Please remember that **anyone** picking up your student after school is **REQUIRED** to be on their Emergency Contact List. This includes *Trackers* and *Activate Studio*. If they are not on your student's list, please come in to the office and add them right away!

We will be providing information to produce the Llewellyn School Directory NEXT WEEK, so if you do not wish to be listed, please come to the office for a *Publicity Denial & Non-Release of Contact Information* by the end of school on Tuesday (9/17).

Also, please add Llewellyn's phone number to your call phone (503-916-6216). We understand wariness to robo-calls, so please add our number so you know it's us! While you are at it, our Childwatch line (503-916-6256) is also a good number to add. This line is for attendance calls.

Finally, we are aware that there seems to be some problem with the web links that are coming through on these Friday emails. We are working on a fix. In the meantime, please cut and paste links into your web browser of choice!

Fall Session After School Classes Start on Monday!

The fall session of afterschool enrichment classes begins on Monday next week (Sept 16)! Anyone who has a confirmed spot in an afterschool class should already have received confirmation from Tori Harms and submitted payment. Another email from Tori will go out this weekend to all registered families with details about class end times, rooms and instructor names.

If you have any questions about after school classes, please contact Tori directly at toriharms@gmail.com.

Important Information from the Cafeteria:

Sign Up for Free/Reduced Lunch - Each year, families need to re-apply for free or reduced lunch. You can apply online at https://www.pps.net/Page/2464. Paper applications are also available on the website and at the main office. Families approved the prior school year have a grace period to apply for meal benefits at the start of the school year if they still meet federal income guidelines. This year, the grace period will expire on October 10th.

All students have an ID number. They use this number for many things at school including Lunch. It would be more than helpful if you could help your student memorize there number. Students will use that number everyday through the years they attend a Portland Public School.

Have a wonderful day,

Miss Olivia

Fall Photo Day is coming up on September 19th! Cut & Paste this link to check out some useful information from Dorian: https://us6.campaign-archive.com/?u=1eb232c6ec&id=4d91a7f7c4&e=155c09073e. You should have order forms, brought home by your students, by today at the latest!

Chinook Book fundraiser to support 5th Grade Outdoor School

Envelopes to order print book/app combos and apps have come home in your child's backpack. Instructions are attached to the back of the envelope. They can be turned in to the office. Orders will be fulfilled as soon as they are received.

NEW MOBILE FUNDRAISING: Chinook Book has launched a new way to earn recurring revenue. Click on this link to download this on your phone:

https://chinook.co/llewellynelementary OR Just go to chinookbookmobile.com to download the app. Go to the "Purchase Full Access" screen on the "More" menu to pay for your subscription and enter the Partner ID: llewellynelementary to have your purchase benefit our fundraiser.

Become a promoter: From the app Go to the "My Promotions" tab under the More menu to begin promoting fundraiser to friends and family via text message, email or social media. Each purchase they make with your special link will benefit the fundraiser AND add 7 days of full access to your own Chinook Book account.

Plus! Their subscription will continue to benefit our fundraiser year after year as long as we continue to fundraise with Chinook Book.

Look for a 5th grader on the black top after school Friday September 13th to purchase a book or app directly.

If you have any questions, contact Tammy Dean at lewellynchinookbook@gmail.com

In order to create a counseling program that meets the needs of the students at Llewellyn, our Counselor, Brittany Sill-Turner, is asking for some feedback from you! Below is the link to an optional survey. If you have more than one student who attends Llewellyn, please complete one questionnaire for each student.

Survey Link: https://forms.gle/ZRtjPfceZCeHUUpD7

Questions? Please contact Ms. Still-Turner via her direct phone line – 503.916.6104 or email – bsill@pps.net.

PPS Health & Safety Bond painting starting soon at Llewellyn

PPS Health & Safety Bond painting staff will be starting paint stabilization work at Llewellyn in the next couple of weeks. This work is being completed as part of the 2017 Health and Safety Bond Lead Paint Stabilization program that will be addressing painting projects at all schools.

The paint crew will be working swing shifts Monday - Thursday and will not disrupt school activities. Additional information can be found on the Bond web page at the following link: https://www.pps.net/Page/13652, or on the attached letter. Bond paint program Notification Llewellyn.pdf

Important Dates:

September 16 K-2 Star Assembly 1:30PM

Fall After School Classes Begin

September 17 **TAG Presentation** 5:15-5:45PM

3-5 Curriculum Night 6:00-7:30PM

September 18 K-2 Curriculum Night 6:00-7:30PM

September 19 Fall Photo Day

September 23 3-5 Star Assembly 1:30PM

September 27 Gift Wrap Sales Begin

October 1 FIRE DRILL 1:15PM

Staff Meeting 2:30-4:00PM

PTA Meeting 7:00PM

October 11 NO SCHOOL – Teacher In-Service Day

October 14 K-2 Star Assembly 1:30PM

Gift Wrap Sales End

October 14-18 Book Fair

October 15 Reading Night 6:00-7:30PM

October 19 Foundation BINGO Night

October 21 3-5 Star Assembly 1:30PM

October 27 Monster March – Begins 3:00PM @ Llewellyn

October 29 Fall Photo Re-Takes

October 31 Pumpkin Carving Contest

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