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## Llewellyn Friday Family Announcement

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Fri, Jul 31, 2020 at 5:12 PM

Reply-To: noreply@pps.net

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Dear Llewellyn Families,

We miss you! Thank you all for your patience and understanding, as we try to navigate these unprecedented times. Your safety and the safety of our community is always at the forefront of our work. We are forging a new way of teaching and learning due to Covid-19 which naturally means we are all anxious, but if we work together and support each other, we continue to believe that we can come out of this pandemic as a stronger community.

We want to make sure that you are aware of the message our District sent out that **all students will be participating in online learning at least throughout the entire first quarter of the school year**. This decision was made based on the current realities of the global pandemic we are facing. You can find this announcement and other fall 2020 updates at the site here: <https://www.pps.net/fall2020>. Here is the [presentation](#) to the school board on July 28th.

We know with all students participating in online learning at least throughout the entire first quarter that many of you will need to seek assistance in supporting your children as you return to work. Some families have shared that they would like to create Learning Pods and some have even begun forming these groups as we speak. We are thankful for the resourcefulness of this thinking and the willingness to work together to find solutions to challenges many of our families are facing, however, we feel the need to make sure that families use an equity lens when creating such groups to be as inclusive as possible. Here is [an article](#) that may help you to reflect and ask questions as you explore the possibility of Learning Pods. At this time, the formation of Learning Pods is not part of the district's Comprehensive Distance Learning Plan and we cannot share personal contact information due to [FERPA](#).

Our district is exploring childcare options. Oregon State agencies will be releasing information about childcare in the near future. We will share information as we learn more.

### **Important Upcoming Dates:**

There are still many unknowns as we inch toward the start of the new school year. As partners in your student's education, it is important to us to gather together as a school community to listen and support your concerns. We also want to have the opportunity to share with you the most up to date information we have from the District.

Please save these dates for informational community on-line meetings about the start of the 20-21 school year. If these meeting times do not work for you, please email Principal Pam at [pgwynn@pps.net](mailto:pgwynn@pps.net) to share your questions and concerns.

**Meetings Days/Times:** (see link to join using Google Meets)**Tuesday, August 11th 6-7:00 pm      Kindergarten Families**

Meeting ID

[meet.google.com/rfj-zady-xcf](https://meet.google.com/rfj-zady-xcf)

Phone Numbers

[\(US\)+1 617-675-4444](tel:+16176754444)

PIN: 775 239 277 2855#

**Wednesday, August 12th 6-7:00 pm      First- Fifth Grade Families**

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[meet.google.com/uzf-seth-euf](https://meet.google.com/uzf-seth-euf)

Phone Numbers

[\(US\)+1 617-675-4444](tel:+16176754444)

PIN: 889 216 237 0735#

**Additional Important Dates:****August 4 - 7** We will work with families to determine technology needs, as per district message.**August 10** The school office will reopen, but will be closed for professional development on August 13.**August 14** 1st-5th grade Teacher assignments emailed to families**August 17-28** Families can pickup technology from Llewellyn (schedule will be announced soon)**August 17 - September 11** Centralized Call Center available for families to support all technology needs.**September 2 - 11** Comprehensive Distance Learning Orientation

- Focused on student supports
- Teacher-student connection and building relationships
- Technology platform orientation
- Kindergarten Orientation and teacher assignment

**September 14 - November 5** First Quarter of School (comprehensive distance learning)**By October 10** District to decide what second quarter of school will look like (in school building, hybrid or online).**November 5** - End of first quarter grading period

I know that this year we will demonstrate our community's strength as we unite to overcome the challenges of learning in a pandemic and focus on the national fight for racial justice. I want to thank you all once again for your patience, flexibility, and willingness to work together as a school community to continue to learn all we can about the impacts and experiences of our students, families, and communities of color and all your efforts to ensure a strong start to the school year for students. I realize the huge impact this is having on us all, but am confident that we can do hard things together. I look forward to our continued collaboration and am honored to be doing them alongside all of you.

Stay safe. Be well.

Sincerely,  
Principal Pam (aka: Mrs. Gwynn)

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