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Llewellyn Friday Family Announcements 4/2

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Dear Llewellyn Families,

Planning for our school's pivot to Hybrid Learning was not an easy task, but despite several challenges, there was joy in the school building as students returned to school in person and on-line. We really missed our students during our week of vacationing and then working asynchronously. We hope your K-1 children had a great first day of school and, for those of you who met your new teachers for the first time, we hope that your child enjoyed that as well.

While everything seemed to go off without a hitch, it wouldn't have been April Fool's Day without some sort of mishap. In this case, many students discovered when they logged into their Seesaw accounts yesterday that their assignments had disappeared. This was due to the changes being made in student accounts by IT. They have worked to resolve the issues, so we hope the changeover will go more smoothly on Monday morning. You should see your child listed with the teacher that they will have moving forward. Thank you for your understanding while these issues were resolved.

Next Monday, all students will return to classes. Hurray! Please refer to the letter I sent last Monday detailing the many protocols we will be following and information about Arrival & Dismissal of students. That letter is linked here <u>Llewellyn Hybrid Family Newsletter 3/29/21</u>. This letter will help you and your child to know what to expect on Monday Morning! Our arrival and dismissals will flow more smoothly with your help!

Please share the following with your students!

Students, are you curious about what school might be like when you return? Be sure and check out this amazing presentation created by Ms. Brittany and Ms. Allie, and also starring Ms. Bernardo: <u>Llewellyn</u> <u>Welcome Back to In-Person Learning</u>!

Additionally, please join me in welcoming Emily Golden-Fields to our Llewellyn staff for the remainder of the school year. She will be our Grade 2 CDL teacher. I feel fortunate to have her join our staff as, being a Llewellyn parent, she is familiar with Distance Learning from the student and parent point of view. She has been diligently planning with the 2nd grade team of teachers and is excited to meet her new students Monday.

Lastly, remember that next week will be a short week (only Mon-Thurs) as Friday there will be no school due to the Teacher Planning day to prepare Quarter 3 Report Cards. Report cards will be mailed home the following Friday, April 9th.

Be Safe! Be Well! Warmest Regards, **Principal Pam**

From Our Counselors:

Hello families -

Welcome back! We hope you all had a restful and rejuvenating Spring Break. Below is some information to let you know what to expect from the Llewellyn counseling team now that in-person/hybrid instruction is under way:

Counselor schedules

- Ms. Brittany will be in the building for *in-person/hybrid learning on Mondays and Tuesdays* and will be supporting virtual learning on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

- Ms. Allie will be in the building supporting virtual learning on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and will be in the building for *in-person/hybrid learning on Thursdays and Fridays*.

<u>Lunch bunches:</u> Ms. Brittany and Ms. Allie are excited to continue our Mindful Mondays and our lunch bunch groups, but there have been a number of changes now that we are returning to the building:

- The meeting time has changed to 11:15 - 11:45 due to hybrid learning and the new bus schedules.

- Ms. Allie's Kindergarten lunch groups will now be on Friday instead of Tuesday (and will meet at the new 11:15 - 11:45 time)

- The Mindful Monday meetings will be open to all K-5 students and will be taught by both counselors (so please be aware that **the Mindful Monday has a new code, which is: LlewellynCounseling).** Here is all the information you will need for Mindful Mondays and counseling lunch groups:

<u>Ms. Allie teaches Kindergarten – 2nd Grade</u> - **Meeting Code:** MsAllieCounseling / **Wednesdays**: 1st grade / **Thursdays**: 2nd grade / **Fridays**: Kindergarten

<u>Ms. Brittany teaches 3rd – 5th Grade</u> - **Meeting Code:** MsBrittanyC / **Tuesdays**: 5th grade / **Wednesdays**: 4th grade / **Thursdays**: 3rd grade

Mindful Monday, open to all students K-5: Code:: LlewellynCounseling

<u>Class lessons</u>: The counseling team is currently trying to determine the best way to deliver counseling lessons. We can assure you that we are working with teachers to try to find the best way to connect with students both within the classroom, as well the students who are continuing in CDL.

<u>Checking in with the counselor:</u> If you would like to request a check-in meeting with us or are in need of other supports or resources, please let us know by either filling out our <u>Llewellyn Family Check-In /</u> <u>Connection Survey</u> or students can fill out their own <u>Llewellyn Student Check in Form</u>. As a reminder, Ms. Allie Penix (<u>apenix@pps.net</u>) is the case manager for Kindergarten through 2nd grade, and Ms. Brittany Sill-Turner (<u>bsill@pps.net</u>) is the case manager for 3rd through 5th grade.

Welcome back and we look forward to connecting with your student(s)!, Ms. Brittany and Ms. Allie

From The PTA: Hello Llewellyn Families! Around this time of year, we traditionally begin pushing out information on the PTA's largest fundraiser of the year -the Llewellyn Auction. Given COVID restrictions and because many local businesses are not able to donate this year, we are cancelling this year's auction.

However, if you are able to give, the PTA is still looking for your support. This year, we have brought in only about 10% of our usual funds, which could dramatically impact what we are able to do next year.

Every year the PTA funds activities that make our school what it is. We donate money to field trips to keep them free for all students, and support the fourth and fifth grade overnights.

We support the arts at our school by funding the Artist in Residency program, which brings in artists from all backgrounds to share art with our students. This can include movement – as through Body Vox; music – as through Japanese drumming; and art projects, like mosaics, puppet-making and weaving. We also support the school's clay program, which, because Llewellyn has a kiln, allows students to bring home fired works of art.

We provide yearly stipends to our teachers to allow them to add books, games and materials to their classrooms.

We also sponsor many of the special activities that kids look forward to all year, like the Small Tall Ball and Llewellyn's Holiday Market.

Although this year did not look like traditional years, we continued to support these programs as COVID allowed. In particular, we continued our commitment to the arts with the PTA art packets in the fall and the Valentine's project in the winter. We also doubled the amount of the stipend traditionally given to teachers as they worked to provide distance learning for our children.

If you would like to continue to support these programs in our school, and if you are able to support the PTA this year, we ask that you do so through Konstella: <u>https://www.konstella.com/open/donations/</u>604fbe0e105c0243ef2222f0

or by mail to: Llewellyn Elementary Attn: PTA Treasurer 6301 SE 14th Ave. Portland OR 97202

The Llewellyn PTA is a 501(c)(3) organization.

Thank you for your support! -The Llewellyn PTA

From The Sellwood Community House:

The Sellwood Community House has space available in our after school program, and have been re-added to the Llewellyn bus route. Students in the PM cohort would have the ability to bus to SCH for after school care. See the attached flier for more information:

From The School Nurse:

Teresa, our school health assistant, will be near the main entrance next week if you need to drop off any medications for your student. Please only bring what you student will need during the short time they are with us in the building. REMEMBER: All medications MUST be in their original container with pharmacy dose / instructions labels attached. In a Ziplock bag is helpful! You will need to be prepared to fill out (minor) paperwork when you drop off the medication.

Please contact Teresa if you have any questions: <u>tdoran@mesd.k12.or.us</u>

From Our TAG Coordinator: TAG UPDATE!!!!

TAG is currently at a stand still on all nominations and application processes for this school year. Please read updates below, and if you have any questions you can contact our TAG Facilitator at https://www.net.org

* Due to the agreement between PPS and our labor partners, we will not be using MAP testing that was done in February for TAG identification.

* TAG identification is on hold as we are not able to test students - this could change, however, I am not going to promise that it will happen.

* At this point TAG nominations will be rolled over to the Fall, parents, and teachers will not need to resubmit recommendations/work samples.

* Single Subject Acceleration and Whole Grade Acceleration is in the same boat with us not being able to use MAP scores per the district directive. We will announce dates for SSA and WGA soon.

Thanks, L. Herrmann CB 3-5 Teacher @ Llewellyn Elementary TAG Coordinator

Kindergarten Connect Events coming soon!

Do you have a student who will be eligible for Kindergarten next year? Do you know others who do as well? Please invite them to check out our Kindergarten Connect information and events listed under the Kindergarten tab on our Llewellyn Website (<u>https://www.pps.net/llewellyn</u>) Our first event will be held on **Thursday, April 15th**. This Information Night will be an opportunity for Kinder families to meet our Kindergarten teachers and hear from former Kinder parents & students all about Kindergarten at Llewellyn while getting to know each other as well. Help us to build community with our new families by spreading the word about this event!

From Sellwood MS:

Save the Date for our Virtual Sellwood 5K

We are joining fellow SE schools (Duniway, Lewis, Woodstock, Llewellyn, & Sellwood Middle) for a virtual 5K fun run fundraiser. We will hold the event from May 22-29. All funds will be distributed equally across participating schools. Llewellyn's portion of the funds raised will support our Foundation efforts. Registration details coming soon!

From the District:

All school meals will continue to be free for all students in all schools, and no student ID or names are needed to receive meals.

Hybrid and Distance Learning Meal Services

<u>Once a student returns to hybrid in-person instruction</u>, meals will be served at the end of each of the inperson sessions.

Service Style may vary between schools depending on facility, dismissal schedule, etc. Please work with the NS manager/supervisor and NS Lead to determine the best service option for your site. Options may include (and be a combination of the following):

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Students coming through the cafeteria to pick up their meals before leaving the building

- NS staff serving meals off mobile carts near main exits during dismissal
- NS staff to deliver meals to classroom (leave meals and count)

We will also want to work with you to determine a time and location for families in distance learning to pick up meals from your school. This should be a time that coordinates well with the dismissal schedule for your school. For example, if your school has only 1 cohort in the morning, you may consider offering a time just after dismissal to coincide with the scheduled lunch time.

<u>If a student is staying in distance learning -- or if their hybrid in-person learning has not begun</u> -- they should visit any of our **new meal distribution sites** between 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. on school days to pick up meals.

New Open Community Meal Distribution Sites

For the remainder of the year, grab-and-go meals will be available between 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. on school days for all children in the community (PPS students and children not enrolled at PPS) ages 1-18.

The sites for curbside distribution:

Beaumont Middle School, 4043 NE Fremont St.

Franklin High School, 5405 SE Woodward St.

George Middle School, 10000 N Burr Ave.

- Harriet Tubman Middle School, 2231 N Flint Ave.
- Hosford Middle School, 2303 SE 28th Pl.

- Ida B. Wells High School, 1151 SW Vermont St.
- Jackson Middle School, 10625 SW 35th Ave.
- Jefferson High School, 5210 N Kerby Ave.
- Lane Middle School, 7200 SE 60th Ave.
- Leodis V. McDaniel @ Marshall High School, 3905 SE 91st Ave.
- Tabor Middle School, 5800 SE Ash St.
- Ockley Green Middle School, 6031 N Montana Ave.
- Robert Gray Middle School, 5505 SW 23rd Ave.
- Roosevelt High School, 6941 N Central St.
- Roseway Heights Middle School, 7334 NE Siskiyou St.

Meals on Buses

When students are dismissed from their in person learning, they will be offered school meals to take home with them. If they are riding on the bus, there will be a green container for all school meals to be held while they are traveling to their home or bus stop. As the student leaves the bus, they will pick up their meal again from the green container. Students with special diets or allergies will have their meals in labeled bags and may be stored in a separate container. Please reference this <u>Standard Operating Procedure</u> for more information.

Important Dates:



April 5 First day of Hybrid Instruction (all AM & PM cohorts) Grades 2-5; K-1 Continues April 8 School Spirit Day- Wear your Llewellyn Gear April 9 NO SCHOOL - Teacher Planning Day-(3rd Quarter Report Card preparation) April 15 Kindergarten Information Night (see Llewellyn website for link) April 12 Quarter 4 Begins

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