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# Llewellyn Friday Family Announcements 4/9

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Dear Llewellyn Families,

Welcome back everyone! We have made it through our first (almost full) week of Hybrid Learning with students online and in person. It has been wonderful to visit classrooms both online and in person seeing students settling in to their new routines with their classmates and teachers. I am so proud of the resilience shown by our students as they adapt to the changes they have had to make.

While recent newsletters and emails have been largely focused upon the many details and logistics around the return of students to in-person learning, we want our students and families continuing in Distance Learning to know that you continue to be a **vital** part of our school and the Llewellyn community as a whole. We know that the decisions families have been asked to make were not made easily. I want to recognize the many emotions that our students and you, their parents, may be feeling around all the changes, especially those associated with moving to a new teacher, and in some cases, meeting new classmates as well. Our staff is here to help in any way that you or your students need. We want **all** students to feel safe, cared for, and excited to learn.

At Llewellyn we value community and know that the connectedness of our community is one of the things that draws families to Llewellyn. That is why our staff and the PTA have been working on ways to keep all our students connected even though they may be learning and experiencing school in different formats. In the following days and weeks look for activities and events that bring our students together. For example, lunch bunches with the counselors or with teachers, Morning Meetings involving morning and afternoon cohorts or grade levels, and more.

#### APRIL 16th: Silly Sock Day



In fact, one fun way that all students and families can participate in events together is around Spirit Day! Yesterday was School Gear Day. Staff, students and families wore their Llewellyn shirts, masks, and school

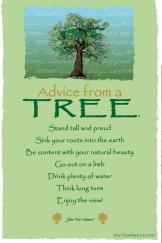
colors. Our Llewellyn Community has SPIRIT! Next week: April 16th- Silly Sock Day (I'm going to wear



my George socks given to me by ZWB!)

**Earth Day** is coming and the theme for Earth Day this year is **Restore the Earth**. At Llewellyn, I am happy to say that we are able to celebrate in a timely way with the **planting of four new Ash trees** (Hurray!) to replace the trees taken down earlier this year due to disease. In an article I recently read, I found this list of ways we can all help to restore our planet. This list seems very reflective of the Llewellyn community, don't you agree?

- Ride your bike
- 2.





Let your voice be heard

- 3. Buy reusable bags
- 4.
  Use a refillable water bottle
- 5. Get produce from a farmer's market
- 6. Spend time outside

7.

Plant something

Be Well! Be Safe! Principal Pam

### **Important Reminders:**

**Attendance Policy Update**: Attendance is taken daily for both In-Person and Distance Learning classes. If your child does not attend class on a given day, they will be marked absent. However, similar to attendance policy earlier this year, if your child submits class work by the end of the school day, then the student's attendance can be changed to present. In the interest of safety, the Autodialer will call families starting at 6:00 pm for that school day's attendance informing you of non-attendance for your child.

#### **Safety Guidelines:**

- Don't forget! While on campus it is required that **EVERYONE** wears a mask and maintains social distancing of at least six feet. Please refrain from congregating on the playground and hanging out before and after school.
- Additionally, if your child participates in activities outside of school, it is vital that you continue to monitor your child's health each day for any signs of illness. Please refer to these documents as needed: Can my child go to school today.pdf and check this list of symptoms and recommendations:

  Please Keep III Students Out of School.pdf
- While we have the capabilities to test students showing symptoms of COVID 19,
  - There must be written consent on file at least 24 hours prior to testing a student
  - And only students/staff who develop symptoms while on site will be tested.
  - Symptomatic students cannot come to school just for testing.

Recent news of COVID 19 outbreaks at local school buildings reminds us that we cannot let our guard down yet!

**Q-3 Report Cards:** Will be mailed home Friday, April 16th. Please note that if your child has not attended or completed assignments in Music, PE and/or Movement, you may see a mark of NE (no evidence). Blank spaces in other areas means that that area has not yet been covered.

#### A Word from Our Specialists:

PE, Music, Movement, Oh my! Don't miss out on the opportunity for some fun and exciting learning with your awesome Specials teachers. Don't forget to check Seesaw for more fun activities! So come join us to find out what all the excitement is about. Here are copies of our schedules! WE MISS YOU!!!

Movement Schedule PE Schedule Music Schedule

## **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 (<a href="https://www.pps.net/llewellyn">https://www.pps.net/llewellyn</a>) 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 the School Counselors:**

Hi everyone -

We hope you had a wonderful first week back to school, whether you are continuing through CDL or returning in-person. Just a reminder that Ms. Brittany is in the building on Mondays and Tuesdays, and Ms. Allie is in the building on Thursdays and Fridays - we cannot wait to see you all if we haven't already! Below is the updated counseling schedule, including the new days and times for lunch groups:

Lunch bunches are now from 11:15 - 11:30 am

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

Ms. Allie teaches Kindergarten – 2nd Grade - Meeting Code: MsAllieCounseling / Wednesdays: 1st grade /

Thursdays: 2nd grade / Fridays: Kindergarten

Ms. Brittany teaches 3rd – 5th Grade - Meeting Code: MsBrittanyC / Tuesdays: 5th grade / Wednesdays:

4th grade / Thursdays: 3rd grade

Fun Friday: Meeting Code: MsBrittanyC

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

Ms. Brittany and Ms. Allie

#### From the School Nurse:

Hello from the Health Room and Nurse LeAnn!

Here is a great video developed by MESD to help parents/students understand the five layers of symptom surveillance to keep the school community safe when coming back to school!

The video is titled - Return to School Process Video

Click on the link here in English: <a href="https://youtu.be/LbLhz0c\_xtw">https://youtu.be/LbLhz0c\_xtw</a>
It is also available is Spanish: <a href="https://youtu.be/PO-3AzPiTMA">https://youtu.be/PO-3AzPiTMA</a>

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## From The PTA:

Interested in being more involved with the PTA next year? We are looking to fill the Treasurer position for next year.

If you are interested or have any questions about the position, feel free to contact PTA President Melissa Federspiel at melissalynett@hotmail.com.

It's also not too late to become a member of the PTA by joining here:

https://www.konstella.com/app/school/5997c874e4b0d4998e8e56f2/sales-sheets/

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Please join us for our next PTA general meeting on Tuesday, April 13 at 7:00. Here's the link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83665286406?pwd=MEJ3NjNyUWRQTDNXNndLVHVtaDk2QT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83665286406?pwd=MEJ3NjNyUWRQTDNXNndLVHVtaDk2QT09</a>

Meeting ID: 836 6528 6406 Passcode: 144039

We look forward to seeing you there!

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 BodyVox; 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: <a href="https://www.konstella.com/open/donations/604fbe0e105c0243ef2222f0">https://www.konstella.com/open/donations/604fbe0e105c0243ef2222f0</a>

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 District:

#### **Important Safety Announcement about Verizon Hotspots**

Please read the following attachment if you have a borrowed Hot Spot obtained from PPS or picked up here at Llewellyn: <u>Safety Recall for Verizon Hotspots</u>

# <u>Llewellyn Foundation Fun Run</u>

We are joining fellow SE schools (Duniway, Lewis, Woodstock, Llewellyn, Sellwood Middle) for a virtual 5K fun run fundraiser. Run your 5K during May 22-29. All funds will be distributed equally across participating schools. Llewellyn's portion of the funds raised will support our Llewellyn Foundation efforts. Cost is \$100 per family or \$25 for individual (t-shirts included).

**Register Now** 

# **Important Dates:**

April 12 Quarter 4 Begins April 13 PTA Meeting 7:00 PM

April 15 Kindergarten Information Night meet.google.com/ufw-noyi-ggn April 16 School Spirit Day- Silly Socks Day

**April 16 Report Cards mailed home** 

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