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Llewellyn Friday Family Announcments 6/4

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Dear Families.

Alas as the school year comes to a close, it is time to say goodbye to some very important members of our Llewellyn staff-family who will be leaving Llewellyn at the end of the school year.

- To **Jen Hartle** You have encouraged us all to move and have fun! We will miss your energy and your inspirational theme work outs! Richmond is lucky to get you full time.
- To Ms. Chan, Mrs. Amey, Mrs. Golden-Fields, Mrs. Reese and Ms. Conway Thank you so much for being willing to jump in, creating for our students a safe and comfortable community they could call "home" for the last guarter of the school year.
- To **Leah Fehlman and Travis Reill**, two of our AMAZING para-educators from room 101. Your dedication, love, skill, and incredible teamwork has helped your students to thrive for many years. We will miss your energy and sense of humor for sure!
- To Nurse **LeAnne Teixeira** We are so fortunate to have had you join our staff this year. Your knowledge, experience and dedication to keeping our students healthy was unprecedented during such a challenging time!
- To our Outstanding Student Teachers: Mrs. McBride, Ms. Koch, Ms. Jensen, and Ms. Hurnung While we are sad to say goodbye, we are excited to know that you will soon have your own classrooms/practice soon. Any school will be lucky to have you on their staff!
- To **Becky Eastman** who, after twelve years as Llewellyn Elementary School's Psychologist and 27 years with PPS, is retiring this year. Your dedication to serving students, families, and staff has been extraordinary! We hope your retirement brings you much joy and time to do the things you love.

Please join me in a community thank you and well wishes in their future endeavors. Perhaps our paths will cross with them again someday?

Be Safe! Be Well! Principal Pam

5th Grade Promotion Celebration:

As the year winds down, we are preparing to send off another group of AMAZING 5th graders. This group has been through so much during their final one and one-half years at Llewellyn and we couldn't be prouder

of their ability to persevere through the many challenges and changes. We are confident they are ready for middle school. Our plan is to celebrate our 5th graders with a parade! This time, instead of only a car parade, students and their families will have the option to "WALK" or "Drive." The event will take place on Wednesday, June 9th and will begin at 9:45 AM and end at about 12:00. Immediate family members will have the opportunity to walk/drive with their 5th grader along 14th avenue. 5th grade teachers will announce their students and present each student with their Promotion certificate in front of the school. Did I mention that we will have a <u>DJ</u>? The parade will end with the opportunity for family photos under a <u>balloon</u> arch. Masks and physical distancing are required.

School Photos Now Available!

In-person students should have brought home their photos this week. Distance learning families can pick them up from the school during normal school hours (7:00AM-3:00PM). Just buzz the office from the front door and we will bring them out to you.

School Next Fall:

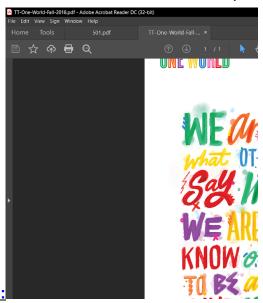
At Llewellyn we are planning that school in the fall will be ALL DAY, 5 DAYS per week. This past Tuesday, the Superintendent and School Board reaffirmed this decision and also spoke of plans to provide options for a district virtual school as well. Look for more details to come as this plan is finalized.

Last Star Flier: Calling out to all our AMAZING Llewellyn Star writers!!!!!

Would your child like to be a published author? Then encourage your child to submit an article for our last Star Flier! Please submit your articles, short stories, poems, and art no later than Tuesday, June 8th !!! Please submit written material via Google doc or email (no pictures, please!). Submissions or Questions should be sent to Mark at mrobb@pps.net.

Sellwood 5K

Thank you to everyone at Llewellyn that came out last week to participate in the Sellwood 5K Community Run for Schools! Together we raised over \$4,000 for EACH of the participating schools (Llewellyn, Duniway, Lewis, Sellwood)! The final raffle for the Sellwood Cycle Gift Card of \$500 went to a student from Duniway: Elliot Payne. Congrats to Elliot! LAST CALL TO CLAIM YOUR PRE-ORDERED T-SHIRT! They are now in the Llewellyn Office. They will be available through the last day of school (June 11), after which time any unclaimed shirts will be donated!Thank you for your support of the Llewellyn Foundation! Here's hoping next year we can get back to a more traditional run in support of our school.



From the Counselors:

The month of June is LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer) Pride Month! In the United States, LGBTQ Pride Month takes place in June to commemorate the Stonewall riots, which occurred at the end of June in 1969.

As educators and parents, we work with our children/students during the stages of their identity development. It is important that we affirm all youth regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression to create a safe and affirming school. There are many ways during this month to recognize the impact LGBTQ people have had in the world, and to show LGBTQ students and families that they are seen and valued.

At Llewellyn, we work to teach and guide our students to be supportive of individual identities and diversity. Many of the health lessons covered in May gave students an opportunity to discuss sexual orientation and gender identity. Reviewing this information with your child might be a helpful starting point. Here are a few articles, activities and other resources that we have found helpful and wanted to share:

Read President Biden's Proclamation of June 2021 as Pride Month

Student & Family Resources

- Link to PPS page on LGBTQ Resources for Students, Families, and School Staff
- The Trevor Project: A national 24-hour, toll free confidential suicide hotline for LGBTQ youth.
- PFLAG Portland: space for families to be allies and support their LGBTQ family members
- <u>TransActive Gender Project</u>: support and services for gender non-conforming and trans youth and their families
- Read Aloud Ideas (<u>Epic! Ebook Collection</u> use a PPS account). This is a collection of primarily fiction picture books with stories that include characters exploring & asserting their gender identity, families with LGBTQ members, and supporting the gender identity of others.

<u>Video Ideas</u> - This playlist includes a wide variety of educational videos. These videos range from addressing LGBTQ history, key vocabulary, the unique experiences and contributions of LGBTQ people of color, and videos by and for young people (K-12). ***Please be mindful that some of these videos discuss harsh histories and realities, it is important that we are aware of the disproportionate impact on some children.

From the Library:

Please **continue to bring in your library books!** Almost 1,500 books have been returned in the last three weeks, but we still have 1,500 more out!! We NEED these back for next school year. Keep searching in unlikely places, and you might find some Llewellyn library books! Books can be returned to: -

- the open library doors on Tuesday and Thursday, (If the library door is closed, please don't just leave them outside.)
- slide them through the mail slot of the school's front door (anytime)
- send them with your student to class if they are learning in-person

The **Multnomah County Library summer reading challenge** will start on June 16, but you can register now. Summer reading gameboards will be supplied to all in-person learning students through their classroom teacher. Additional gameboards will be located outside the school's front doors for CDL students to pick-up. Want to understand more about the summer reading challenge and a fun new element of writing a story that could get turned into a new *Salt & Straw* flavor? Click <a href="https://example.com/here-pick-up-new-pick-up-ne

Hundreds of **free books** are available now through the end of school by the front doors. These are donations or books that have been retired from our library to make way for new copies. Take as many as you like, but we don't need or want them back.

Last week, the library held a meeting in which all students were invited to hear about some great recently published books and share their own book recommendations. We have amazingly-informed readers at Llewellyn with a wide array of interests. Ms. Gilkey's and students' **book recommendations** can be found in their library Seesaw page or here.

Keep reading!!



<u>Support your Llewellyn Foundation</u>

Make a donation to support the Foundation. Since we've not had many ways to fundraise this year, we are asking families to consider making a donation that feels right for them to support the Llewellyn Foundation. Our hope is to raise enough money to help keep our counseling team fully in place for the 2021-2022 school year. We know our students need all the social-emotional support they can get. Let's set our students up for success next year. Thank you! Llewellyn Foundation_Spring 2021 Fundraising_Digital Flyer.pdf Make a gift online today! https://www.aplos.com/aws/give/TheFundforPortlandPublicSchools/ s/llewellynschoolfoundation

From PPS: Digital Tools/Digital Toolkit Summer Access

Students will have access to most PPS Digital Toolkit applications during the summer. Students who enroll in summer school may notice changes in some applications once summer school begins. Most PPS Digital Toolkit applications will remain active until the end of July. Applications may be temporarily unavailable at the beginning of August as PPS shifts to the 2021-2022 school year. PPS will be moving from Clever to using My.PPS (my.pps.net) as a district-wide portal. Students using QR Clever badges to log in to Chromebooks will no longer be able to use their Clever badge once the change to My.PPS is complete. Students will need their PPS username and password to log in to their chromebooks until they are issued a new Quickcard (QR code) at the start of school.

Please note that during the summer months, teachers are not active inside the digital tools and applications. Parents should be aware of what students are doing online. Parents may find the <u>Securly</u> application and <u>digital and civic literacy</u> resources helpful.

Questions can be directed to support@pps.net.

Learning Technologies updates archived at pps.net/learningtech.

Summer Opportunities:

Cleveland Youth Summer Basketball Camp Registration is now OPEN!

Youth Camp Dates: Monday June 21-Thursday June 24

For: Boys & Girls entering grades 3rd-8th

Time: 3rd-5th graders 8-11am / 6th-8th graders 11:30-2:30pm

Cost: \$155

Registration: https://www.cleveland-warriors.com/camps

The CB Summer Basketball Camp is lead by CHS Head Varsity Basketball Coach & pro-trainer, Dondrale Campbell, with the help of CHS players. Participants will learn fundamental to advanced basketball skills & associated drill work, in an organized, progressive, ultra-positive environment. The connection made between youth & CHS players is a special bond that builds confidence as well as community spirit!

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Multnomah County Summer Reading program begins June 16.

- PAX Program of Academic Exchange Flier
- Saturday Academy Summer Camps & Classes Flier (grades 2-12)
- Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace Flier
- Cognizart 360 Arts Camp 2021 (ages 6-12) July 5-9 & July 12-16
- PSU Portland Summer Percussion Academy (ages 12-18) July 19-21

OSU Pre-college Programs Summer Reading Skills Programs (ages 4 through 11th grade)



Important Dates:

June 9 5th Grade Promotion Parade (see above)

June 11 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

June 11 Spirit Day -Vacation Day

June 16 Report Cards mailed Home

June 21 Office Closed for the Summer

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