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## Llewelyn Friday Family Announcements 2/12

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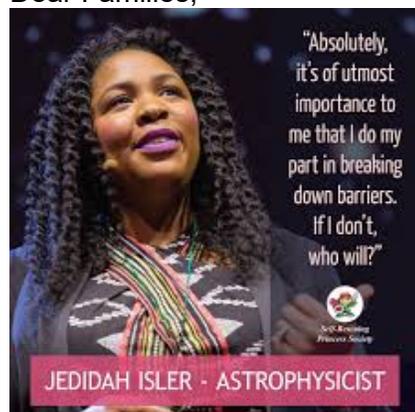
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Dear Families,



“Do not think for one minute that because you are who you are, you cannot be who you imagine yourself to be.” These words of inspiration shared by Jedidah Isler remind us that we have the power to make our dreams come true- a powerful message to remind our students, especially right now. Jedidah is certainly blazing her trail as an astrophysicist and an active advocate for diversity in STEM! As an award winning Assistant Professor at Dartmouth College, Jedidah continues her scientific research examining the physics of the jet streams emanating from blazars inside super massive black holes in the galaxy. Her love of looking at the stars came from receiving a telescope from her sister for her birthday when she was in middle school. She has earned her PhD and is the founder of VanguardSTEM which is a [web series](#) that features interviews hosted by Jedidah and featuring women of color in STEM, discussing academic and professional work and culture as well as current events.

Studying [Black History](#) this week, our students have been introduced to many amazing Black scientists, such as Jedidah, artists, stunt pilots, poets and more! Black excellence is being recognized in the third grade by focusing on a different Black American every day, reading and discussing their lives and the challenges they faced breaking barriers and moving towards their dreams. They are also using resources from Epic Books to read about Black Americans of their own choosing and then writing about what they have learned. In grades 3-5 students have been watching videos about Black History and discussing why it is important to celebrate Black History. In many grades the books *Let's Talk About Race*, *The ABCs of Black History*, and *The Color of Us* have been shared and discussed. I am humbled by the amount of research and energy our teachers are putting into making sure to introduce our students to a wide variety of current as well as past famous Black Americans in order to create a rich foundation for conversations about race.

I hope you are enjoying conversations with your children about what they are learning.

**Quarter 4 Plans:** Thank you to everyone who was able to attend this month's [PTA meeting](#) and [Kindergarten LIPI information Night](#). If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me at

[pgwynn@pps.net](mailto:pgwynn@pps.net). I will be sure to share additional information about the Hybrid/CDL Model as information becomes available.

**Happy Valentine's Day, everyone!** Thank you for your continued kindness and support for our students and staff. Shout out to our PTA, Room Parents and everyone who has made this a special week of friendship and building community through art and valentine exchanges!

**Happy Lunar New Year as well!**

Be Well! Be safe!

Principal Pam

### **Successful Schools Survey Window will be open February 8th- March 12th!**

What is the first thing that comes to your mind when you hear the phrase "successful schools?" We believe that successful schools are safe, healthy and welcoming learning spaces that are inclusive for all students. But we want to hear your thoughts.

We are excited to announce the **2021** Successful Schools Family Survey. When you take the survey, you help us understand your experience as a parent or guardian. This important information will guide us as we determine the future of our schools. The survey launches today and will be available for the next four weeks.

[Take the survey today!](#) You can complete the survey from a computer, tablet, or smartphone. It should only take 15-20 minutes of your time. Select the school your child attends and answer the questions for that school. If you have children at more than one PPS school, please complete one survey for each school your children attend. If you need help taking the survey please contact your teacher or principal.

[surveys.panoramaed.com/portlandor/ppsfamily](https://surveys.panoramaed.com/portlandor/ppsfamily)

Thank you for being part of the PPS family!

### **MAP Testing: Grades 3-5**

Map Testing continues in grades 3-5. Remember, students should take no longer than 2 hours to complete each subject. Most students will complete in about an hour of testing time. Younger children may need assistance from an adult in the home. **Click here to review a [parent guide about this assessment](#).** Checking your child's computer readiness for testing ahead of time will help alleviate many tech issues they could possibly face. Your student's teacher will provide further information about when the test will be given. The district will provide your student's scores to you following the assessment window.

**Touchscreen Chromebooks have arrived for K-2 Students!** If you were not able to exchange your child's chromebooks during our previous dates, please contact Principal Pam ([pgwynn@pps.net](mailto:pgwynn@pps.net)) to arrange a time to make your exchange.

### **From Our School Nurse:**

**Exclusion day is February 17th!** To update Immunizations for your student check out these Resources: Pop-Up Children's Immunization Clinic...February 13, 2021 at David Douglas High school. See Attachment below or this link for the Student Health Centers.

<https://multco.us/health/news/catch-now-missing-school-vaccines>

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**From Our School Counselors:**

Hello everyone!

As the school year progresses, Ms. Brittany and Ms. Allie want you to know that we are here to support you during distance learning. If you or your family are in need of support, help with resources, or would like your child(ren) to check-in with the counselor, please let us know via our [Llewellyn Family Check-In / Connection Survey](#). We are happy to check-in and help in any way that we can.

Also, just a reminder that there will be **no Mindful Monday class on 2/15 due to the holiday**. We will be back to lunch bunches on Tuesday 2/16, and we hope to see you there!

Ms. Allie teaches Kindergarten – 2nd Grade - **Meeting Code:** MsAllieCounseling **Time:** 11:30 am - 12 pm

**Mondays:** K-2 Mindful Mondays / **Tuesdays:** Kindergarten / **Wednesdays:** 1st grade / **Thursdays:** 2nd grade

Ms. Brittany teaches 3rd – 5th Grade - **Meeting Code:** MsBrittanyC **Time:** 11:30 am - 12 pm **Mondays:** 3rd

-5th Mindful Mondays / **Tuesdays:** 5th grade / **Wednesdays:** 4th grade / **Thursdays:** 3rd grade

Enjoy the snow and the wonderful long weekend!,

Ms. Allie and Ms. Brittany

**From the Llewellyn PTA:**

Hello Llewellyn Families!

Let's end an unusual school year with an unforgettable graduation event for our special 5th graders! With a little personalization and ingenuity, I have no doubt that we can give these kids a new and special event to commemorate their graduation from Llewellyn.

My name is Brittany Petering and I am the Committee Chair for the PTA. I am looking for someone(s) to take on the role of 5th Grade Farewell Chair/Committee. The PTA has some funds that can be used towards this event. Now we just need ideas and the people to make it happen.

Please email [Brittany.g.jones@gmail.com](mailto:Brittany.g.jones@gmail.com) if you are interested in taking this on or helping out and I can put you in touch with one another.

Thanks!

**From the Sellwood MS PTA:**

Attention Upcoming 6th Grade Parents of Sellwood Middle School! Are you looking for a way to get involved at Sellwood Middle School?

The PTA is looking for new board members for the 2021-22 school year. Please email [sellwoodpta@gmail.com](mailto:sellwoodpta@gmail.com) if you or someone you know is interested. It is a small time commitment and a great way to get involved!

The Panther Enrichment and Academic Knowledge (PEAK) Program is a series of after school classes open to all Sellwood Middle School (SMS) students. In order for our PEAK program to get up and running once school is back in the building, we really need a PEAK coordinator! Please consider heading up this important school resource. Please email [sellwoodpta@gmail.com](mailto:sellwoodpta@gmail.com) for more information. We would really hate to lose our PEAK program!! We use 6 Crickets to facilitate the PEAK Program (the same as your after school enrichment program).

**Important Dates:**

**February 12** OBOB Info meeting 12:00 pm LlewellynOBOB2021

**February 15** Presidents Day-No School

**February 17** Exclusion Day (Make sure your child's vaccinations are up to date!)

February 19 **Sing Along**

**Google Meet Code: zwb2021**

**K/1: 12:15 - 12:45    2/3: 12:55 - 1:25    4/5: 1:35 - 2:05**

February 1-26    MAP Assessments Window (see teacher for specific dates)

February 8-March 12    Successful Schools Survey (more information coming soon)

March 22-26    Spring Break

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