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# Llewellyn School **STAR FLIER** Our students are stars

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## A Few Thoughts from Mr. Galati

Since last week, we heard that the "S" word was in the forecast. What "snow" might fall? News anchors were making their predictions, weather apps were updating quickly, and most of all there was a "buzz of talking" about



the possibility of snow showers. Our Llewellyn students starting making their predictions at lunch recess, some students showed me the "snow dance", and others talked about what they would be doing if it snowed (sledding, making igloos, or making snow people). Throughout the day on Monday, I could hear excitement in the halls, in the cafeteria, and during recesses.

It wasn't until the end of the day at 2:15 that I heard the true excitement in our students' voices. This laughter, this joy, this elation only occurs with the sight of snowflakes. Before this moment, there was anticipation and hope. When the snow began to fall, I heard our students shout with joy and talk about how they were going to play in the snow. I have to admit, even after many years I too was excited.

Snow brings out the youth in all of us and we begin to think about those times when we were young and it snowed. I'm glad we did not have a snowmageddon like a few years ago, but a snow shower that everyone could enjoy. I hate driving in it, but I do love being in it, and if we are lucky to have snow in Portland then we can yell a little louder and play a little harder because it did snow. I hope you had a safe and fun snow day this week. As always if we get more snow the district will be in touch about cancellations. And remember: just because it's dry here does not mean those west hills are not icy. We might end up on a district-wide two hour delay for everyone's safety. Craft Night by: Hazel, 5<sup>th</sup> grade

On Friday the 25<sup>th</sup>, Llewellyn had its Annual Craft Night. There were lots of different things to do, even chocolate painting. There were also other things to make





and these cool optical illusion things that would make it look like the flowers were in the cup if you drew flowers on one side and a cup on the other when you twirled it. I think that we are really lucky to have parents and businesses like *Nectar* and *The Chocolate Laboratory* that pitch in to help make a great Craft Night for us.

## Important Dates:

Feb. 12	Second Grade Concert 6:30PM
Feb. 15	Cup of Joe with Joe 8:00AM
Feb. 18	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – President's Day
Feb. 20	EXCLUSION DAY (Immunizations)
Feb. 21	School OBOB Tournament 4:10PM
Feb. 25	Connect to Kindergarten 6:00-7:30PM
Feb. 25-March	6 Project Second Wind Food Drive
Feb. 26	Knighting Assemblies – Cafetorium
	K-2 1:20-1:40PM, 3-5 1:45-2:05PM
	Third Grade Concert 6:30PM
Feb. 28	Fifth Grade FT - Oregon Symphony



at Craft Night like

bracelets and origami

popsicle stick

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#### Multiplication by: Zoe, 3rd grade

In Ms. Stelter's class we are doing multiplication and we are doing Around the World Multiplication which is a game on how you can



memorize multiplication. We are also doing story problem check-ups where we have to solve them with one of the four strategies which are number line, loops and groups, T chart and array.

Mrs. Schneider

by: Willa, 3rd grade

Magnificent Radiant Special

Spectacular Cool Hilarious Nice Ever so great Interesting

> Delightful Excellent

**R**eally amazing

Breaching Whale

by: Zoe, 3rd grade



A cloud of white foam forming on the waters surfaces. The biggest mammal of them all a whale



Dogs

by: Maggie, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

I loooooooooo my dog. He is a yellow lab. My dog's name is Mac. He loves food. He will beg and beg for it. He loves going for walks

too. He likes it when I rub his belly. I really want to get another dog. The type of dog I want is a border collie. My mom and dad said when I'm ten they'll think about it.

### Buddies

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by: Sofia & Riley, 4<sup>th</sup> grade



In Buddies we made snow globes near winter break. It was very fun

because they worked and they were homemade. They were fun because the first graders had some very unique ways to make the snow globes.

For example, my buddy decided to make the snowman out of paper and a little glitter (or at least he wanted to put glitter on it).

Another thing we did in buddies is make a "get to know your buddy sheet" at the beginning of the school year. With our buddies we got a piece of paper and we wrote things like what your favorite food is or what your favorite color was. Once we were done with our sheets we exchanged our sheets and read them so we would know one another.

After that we got to read books with each other. It was pretty cool because the first graders were really good at reading their books and I only had to tell them how to say a few words.

Remind your Friends and Neighbors!

# **Connect to Kindergarten**

February  $25^{\text{th}}$  at 6:00-7:30pm

Parents and incoming 2019 Kindergartners are welcome at this event. Questions: Call the Office or email <u>slovett1@pps.net</u>!

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# Llewellyn School STAR FLIER

#### At A Glance This week we highlight Kindergarten

**<u>Kindergarten</u>: In our reading** work, we have been learning about how patterns can help us read books. Many of our kindergarten level books are pattern books. We have also been working on checking the pictures for clues and using beginning letter sounds to figure out unknown words. We are focusing on using all of our reading super powers!

**In our writing**, we have been working on making our writing easy to read. We have been focusing on using spaces between words, writing a letter for every sound, using capital letters and using periods. The students are really improving

in their writing skills. We are writing true stories about our lives (personal narratives). We will focus on telling the beginning, middle, and end of the story.





**In math**, we have started working with numbers between 10 and 20. We are working with double 10 frames to identify numbers easily. We are also working on solving math problems in our math journals by drawing a picture and writing a number sentence to match. Example: The snowman had 6 buttons, then another child added 2 more buttons. How many buttons in all? The students are really great problem solvers!

**In science** this week, we sorted solid objects into solids that could roll and solids that could stack. We talked about why something could roll and why something could stack. We are also experimenting with solids to see which sink and which float.



# Congratulations to our January Knights!



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#### Llewellyn PTA

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#### **Upcoming Events**

March 5PTA Meeting, 7:00pm in the Cafeteria – Learn about fire<br/>safety from our local fire stationMarch 16Wild Wild West Auction 5:30-10:30PMIt has been brought to our attention that this year's auction theme has the<br/>potential to be offensive. We acknowledge this was a tragic time in history<br/>and the intention is not to cause any disrespect to the involved parties. We<br/>ask attendees practice the utmost respect in their selection of attire and<br/>attitude with regards to this event.

#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

\* Recess Duty: Volunteering at recess is not only a great way to spend some time with your kiddo, but also highly appreciated by the Llewellyn staff. To sign up please visit Konstella. If you have any issues with signing-up please contact <a href="mailto:niki.maureen@gmail.com">niki.maureen@gmail.com</a>

\* In preparation for the next school year we are looking for people to take charge of the following events:

Auction - We just need someone to lead a team of motivated parents!Holiday Market

These are all great opportunities to grab a friend (or a few friends) and help the school while getting in some social time. If you would like more information contact <a href="mailto:niki.maureen@gmail.com">niki.maureen@gmail.com</a>

#### Create Community

Bike Train: Join the bike train to school every Friday morning. Look for the map on Facebook or Instagram.

Stay up to date on events and ways to be involved at Llewellyn on social media:

Facebook: Llewellyn Elementary Parents Instagram: llewellynpta If you have any questions please feel free to email us at <u>llewellynpta@gmail.com</u>

