

Dear Leverett Elementary Families,

Welcome back to school! This year is destined to be a great learning experience for everyone. I am sure we will expand our collective creativity, flexible thinking, and resilience tremendously. I am excited to see what kinds of opportunities will be presented in this new era.

As a reminder, the School Committee passed the Hybrid Option 1 approach for this coming school year.

*Dates to keep in the calendar include:

September 16 - October 9:	Remote instruction 8:30- 12:00
October 9 - October 30:	Remote instruction 8:30-3:00
November 2 - November 13:	Kindergarten & Grade 1 and <i>some students who receive Special Education services (in other grades)*</i> attend from 8:30-11:30 in school and Remote 1:00-3:00; Grades 2-6 remain remote 8:30-3:00
November 16 -December 4:	Grades K-3 attend 8:30-11:30 in school and 1:00-3:00 remote; Grades 4-6 remain remote 8:30-3:00
December 7 -December 23:	Grades K-6 attend 8:30- 11:30 in school and 1:00-3:00 remote
January 4, 2021- End of year:	Grades K-6 attend 8:30-3:00 in school

*Dates are subject to change depending on COVID-19 rates.

Please join me for a monthly Coffee with the Principal. These meetings will be held on the first Friday of the month. You can access the link through the following link:

<https://meet.google.com/fcw-ohje-kqn>

Speaking of coffee, I am also excited to announce that Leverett Elementary School is in the early planning stages of a collaboration with Dean's Beans. We will be selling Dean's Beans coffee as an ongoing fundraiser for LES. Please keep your eye out for more information and ordering forms. We truly appreciate your support!

Included in this mailing you will find a copy of the 2020-2021 Academic Calendar, a welcome back letter from the LES PTO, and information about the Leverett Education Foundation and their *Many Safe Returns* emergency fundraiser. You will not find many of the usual forms you complete at the beginning of the year. We are going to try using DocHub for electronic versions of some of these forms. Look for these in your inbox next week.

Please note we are withholding health information forms during our initial remote phase of the reentry plan. Health forms will be sent out to families as the hybrid learning time approaches.

In order to maximize accessibility to our remote instruction, every student will receive a remote learning device. Students in K-2 will receive iPads; students in grades 3-6 will receive Chromebooks. Due to backorders, we will need to prioritize by need as we release the equipment. Please complete this survey to help us determine which families will need access sooner, and which are able to wait until future orders come in:

<https://forms.gle/Vp1rL7BxniP4PUt77>

Chef Tom's Curbside Pickup will resume on Tuesday September 15. This fall we will have two days of pick up, Tuesday and Thursday, and we are able to offer five days of food. Tuesday pick-ups will be two breakfast and two lunch, Thursday pick-ups will include three breakfast and three lunch. Pick-ups will be available at the Gymnasium doors from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Kate will send out the Google doc for sign up soon.

In addition, Classwork materials pick up will be on Fridays. More information on pick up locations and timing will be forthcoming.

As always, thank you for your support as we begin this new and exciting year. I know your teachers are working hard to create a fabulous program for your children. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or thoughts you may have.

Talk soon,
Annie

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