



Palencia Elementary Newsletter

Pirate's Post

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Calendar of events:

- **Mar 26-27:** FSA MATH—3rd /4th
- **Mar 31-Apr1:**FSA READ—3rd/4th
- **Apr 2:** Class Photos
- **Apr 3:** Good Friday / No School
- **Apr 13-14:** FSA MATH—5th
- **Apr 20-21:** FSA READ—5th
- **Apr 29-30:** FSA SCIENCE—5th
- **May 25:** Memorial Day / No School



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Show your School Spirit!

Monday— Red
Tuesday—Black
Wednesday—Green
Thursday—White
Friday - Spirit Wear

THE CAPTAIN'S LOG

Ahoy Palencia passengers and crew,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Spring Break. I have heard many exciting stories of family activities from our students. Sounds like many had a wonderful time. It was very nice to hear from a couple students that they were happy to be back at school as they missed their friends.

Before break we began administering some of the assessments that we need to give. This week we administering the Art Assessment and 3rd and 4th grade will be taking the Math FSA on Thursday and Friday. Due to the FSA testing the upper decks (Orange and Yellow) will be closed Thursday and Friday morning of this week. These grades will be taking the Reading FSA Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, so the same decks will be closed on those days. Please be sure to read upcoming editions for future deck closings. With all the various assessments that we need to give we could use more proctors. Please see the PTO webpage to sign up for one of these opportunities. <http://palenciaelementarypto.weebly.com/>

Attached to the newsletter this week is an important flyer giving instructions to update your contact and student registration information. It is very important that this is completed for every child in 3rd and 4th grade. This should not take long and we appreciate your assistance.

Earlier today, Dr. Joyner sent out a letter to parents regarding assessments. A copy of that letter is attached. If you have any questions please contact me.

Please take the School Improvement Survey. It can be found at. <https://surveys.stjohns.k12.fl.us/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=86KMnmmM>

Enjoy your week,

Captain Allen Anderson

PARENT SURVEY

The Florida Department of Education is working with school districts to gather information on how well parents think their child's school is partnering with parents of students with disabilities, and would like to include your input. Your responses will help guide efforts to improve services and results for children and families. All parents of children with disabilities and a current IEP (PK to 12th grade) are invited to participate in this survey. The survey is opened from February 1, 2015 to May 31, 2015.

Please visit www.ESEsurvey.com to complete the survey.

PIRATE COVE CONNECTION—Media Center News

Please visit <https://www.smore.com/39bhp>

Wishy Life Buddies

First grade enjoyed an author visit during Resource on Wednesdays (ROW) before Spring Break from Tiffany Oliva and Deborah Oliva the authors of Wishy Life Buddies: *The Original Easter Tradition*. This story provides families with a sneaky, seasonal pal who gives treats, rewards and encouraging messages to well-behaved children during the Easter season. The story and gift set can be purchased at <http://www.wishylife.com>. For pictures from the author visit, go to the [Pirate Cove Connection](#).



GIFTED PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Gifted Parent Advisory Council will meet this Thursday, March 26th at 5:30pm in the Multi-Purpose Room at Landrum Middle School. All are welcome.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



Pre-Kindergarten registration schedule is as follows:
 Wednesday, April 15, 2015 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 Friday, May 8, 2015 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

You will need to bring with you:

- ◆ Original Birth Certificate
- ◆ Form 680 Immunization Record
- ◆ Current Physical – within one year of the start of school August 10, 2015
- ◆ Residency Documents – See our website <http://www.pes.stjohns.k12.fl.us/registration/>

**Your kindergartener is encouraged to come to registration! We would love to see what they already know about numbers and letters!*

*Assessments will also be conducted during the summer break.

For more information please contact :
 Cindy Williams at (904) 547-4017 or
 email: CindyAnn.Williams@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Order your PES yearbook now!
 Price goes up after
 March 25th!

Check our local weather at:

<http://stjohns.weatherstem.com/palencia>

Or on Twitter at:
<https://twitter.com/PalenciaWxSTEM>

Or on Facebook at:
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Palencia-Elementary-Weatherstem/1463939643869641>



Community News

Annual St. Johns County Easter Egg Hunts and Easter Bunny Visits

The St. Johns County Recreation and Parks Department is hosting Easter Egg Hunts and Easter Bunny visits for residents with children ages 8 and younger at locations throughout the community in April. The first events are scheduled for 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 2 at Veterans Park, 1332 Veterans Parkway, and at Palencia Park, 405 Palencia Village Dr. The Easter Bunny will make a special appearance at 10:30 a.m. and the hunts will begin promptly at 11 a.m. Two additional Easter Egg Hunts are scheduled for 11 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, April 4 at Treaty Park, 1595 Wildwood Drive, and Al Wilkie Park, 6140 Main St. The Easter Bunny will make a special appearance at 11 a.m. and the hunts will begin promptly at 11:30 a.m. All Easter Egg hunts are for children ages 8 and younger. Participants are encouraged to bring Easter baskets to hold all of the candy filled eggs, and parents are reminded to not forget their cameras. For additional information, please call 904.209.0377.

FSA Proctors needed!
Please sign up at:
www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0C48AEAB2AA7F94-test/23812457

The Relay for Life event is fast approaching and will be Sat, April 25th from noon until midnight at the World Golf Village. Please keep an eye out for information on our fundraiser, March Madness Money Wars coming to you this week! Please support our Palencia Pirates team and save those coins for a good cause! We will start collecting and competing on Monday! We will also be selling luminaria (in honor of and in remembrance of) for \$1 each to display at the event. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Heather Caldwell (Keisler) through school email or by phone: 547-4010 ext 32682.



PTO NEWS & EVENTS

SPRING SOCIAL & SILENT AUCTION DINNER

Mark your calendars and save the date! **On Friday, April 17th, we will host our 1st Annual Spring Social and Silent Auction Dinner, a special event for adults only**, at the Palencia Club. Seating will be limited. Proceeds will be used to purchase reading and writing programs to benefit all the students within the school. **Tickets are on sale NOW and will sell out quickly...click [HERE](#) for more information!**

If you know of a business or individual who would like to donate an item or a gift certificate to the silent auction, e-mail mtaylorstrout@aol.com. This is a great way to market various products and every item helps the kids at Palencia Elementary School!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

Proctors are needed to assist with FSA testing at the school on various dates. You are not permitted to proctor at the same grade level as your child(ren), but proctors will be needed in many areas. **Click [HERE](#) to visit the Sign-Up Genius link for this project.**

2015-2016 PTO OFFICERS—OPEN POSITIONS

Are you interested in being a PTO officer for the 2015-2016 school year? If so, please contact Laurel Madson at madson5@ymail.com by April 1st for more information!

SPIRIT WEAR SALE

There is still time to place your order through the **ONLINE Spirit Wear Blowout Sale** on the PTO website! Shirts are only \$10 each, but the sale is limited to current inventory only...once a size is sold out, it will no longer be available. **Visit the Spirit Wear page to view the sale today!**

BOX TOP CONTEST #3 IS UNDERWAY!



Please remember to keep collecting those BoxTops and sending them in with your little pirate from now through May 15th! Classes who collect 500 Box Tops will receive a popcorn party, classes with 750 Box Tops will earn an ice cream sundae party, and those who collect 1,000 Box Tops will celebrate with a pizza and movie party! **For more information about BoxTops and how they work, click [HERE](#).**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar. 26-27—FSA Testing—3rd & 4th Grade Math

Mar. 31-Apr. 1—FSA Testing—3rd & 4th Grade Reading

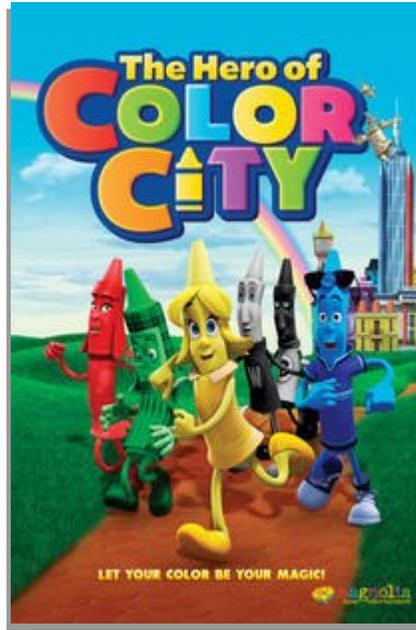
For a complete calendar of events, [visit the PTO Calendar Page](#)

THE PALENCIA CLUB

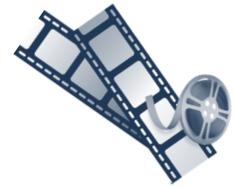
THANKS TO OUR PES PTO CORPORATE SPONSORS!

Would you like to become a sponsor of Palencia Elementary School? Visit www.PalenciaElementaryPTO.weebly.com/sponsors.html to download the sponsorship brochure for more information. We hope that you will find a level of support that is appropriate for your company. For more details, please contact Traci Lewis at (904) 687-3499 or send an e-mail to pes.ptoBusinessSponsorships@gmail.com.

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**Friday, March 27th
at 6:00 pm**

(6:00 SET UP, 6:30 MOVIE WILL BEGIN- MOVIE IS 75 MINUTES LONG)

We will show the film in the Cafeteria. Outdoor viewing will be set up, weather permitting.

Admission: CRAYONS!!! Bring a pack of new or gently used crayons to donate to The Crayon Collection.

Grab a few lawn chairs or a blanket, **Pack** a picnic dinner, **Round** up the family

And...

Enjoy a showing of The Hero of Color City

Produced by one of our very own Ocean Palms' parents, John Eraklis and featuring Sophia Eraklis, one of our very own Ocean Palms' students, as Purple

"There are more than 19,000 Head Start classrooms enrolling more than one million vulnerable 3- and 4-year-olds nationwide that are in need of crayons and other school supplies." **National Crayon Day is March 31st** and we have a wonderful opportunity to partner with the Eraklis family and The Crayon Collection to support children in need.

Watch a PSA about the Crayon Collection: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xB-x49ddIW0>

Watch the official trailer of Hero of Color City:

<http://trailers.apple.com/trailers/magnolia/theheroofcolorcity/>

