



Palencia Elementary Newsletter

Pirate's Post

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Calendar of events:

- **Apr 13-14:** FSA MATH—5th
- **Apr 20-21:** FSA READ—5th
- **Apr 29-30:** FSA SCIENCE—5th
- **May 1:** Goodwill Bag It Up Event
- **May 5:** Donuts for Dads
- **May 6:** Muffins for Moms
- **May 25:** Memorial Day / No School

Attn: 3rd / 4th grade parents:
It is imperative that you update your child's information. Please see the attached instruction sheet to update the form in HAC.



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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 would once again like to thank everyone for all your help and understanding as we work through our traffic issues with the ongoing construction. We still do not have a full time PSA assigned to our school. We have been very fortunate to have had one here for the past couple of weeks, this has been a huge help in getting traffic out of the school so things are moving much smoother.

Next week our 5th grade students will be taking their FSA test. We will be closing the Orange Deck next Monday and Tuesday in the morning during testing. We will have make-ups going on at various times as well so please watch for testing signs so we can keep the disruptions to a minimum.

The weather has been wonderful lately and it is only getting warmer as we head into the summer months. Please help your students remember the dress code as they prepare for school. A couple of things to remember are that shorts are to be no more than 4" above the knee (a good rule of thumb is that they should be fingertip length when the arms are held to the side), tops must cover the shoulder. If you have any questions please refer to the Student Code of Conduct page 13. Shoes should be safe for all types of physical activities. Even if P.E. is not scheduled for that day, classes go out to recess on a daily basis.

We have sent an Alert Now to our 3rd – 5th grades to go into the Home Access Center (HAC) and update the Student information. Please be sure to do this, even if there are no changes there are a couple 'clicks' to be done so we know it has been updated.

Kindergarten through Second Grade Students need to return the Student Information Sheet that was sent home. It is very important that we have updated information on all our students. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact Cindy Williams at 547-4017. 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 the [Pirate Cove Connection](#) for more information about the media center at PES!

We are excited to welcome all rising 6th grade families to our **Pacetti Bay 5th grade Open House Thursday, May 28th**. 5:30 – 6:00 meet and greet with our 6th grade teachers. At 6:15 p.m. parents are welcomed to attend our informational orientation that will be held in the auditorium.

We are looking forward to seeing you soon.

Go Wildcats!

FSA Proctors needed! Please sign up at:

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0C48AEAB2AA7F94-test/23812457



Hey everyone!

I have totaled the donations for all decks and am proud to announce our top two decks that will begin their free throw competition with

coach Brougham this week. (each class in the winning decks will be given a set time to make as many baskets as possible during their PE resource time. The results will be tallied until both decks are finished. The deck with the highest percentage of baskets made wins!) They are Orange deck with \$158.69 and Green deck with \$118.10!!!

WOOHOO!!!! Thanks to everyone for participating. It was a shortened week during FSA testing, but we still managed to raise a total of \$414.41 overall with our Money Wars for Relay For Life. Way to go Pirates! J

The total breakdown:

Orange- 158.69 Green- 118.10

Purple- 98.21 Yellow- 39.41

Don't forget the relay will be Sat April 25 from noon to midnight at the World Golf Village. We are still taking donations of canned or bottled drinks to sell at the relay event. Teachers, please share in your newsletters or emails to parents.

Thank you so much! ~Heather~

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**

SAVE THE DATE!

Palencia's Night of the Arts Show will be held on Thursday, May 7th. Students are busy finishing their masterpieces and choosing their best artwork for the art show. EVERY student will have one piece of artwork on display. Times and more information will be coming soon so mark your calendars!

If you are as excited as I am and can't wait to see your child's masterpieces- you can always go online to our Artsonia Museum page and view artwork there. Student's need permission forms to publish their artwork, so if you do not see their name listed, please email me. THANK YOU!!! Please check our art room web page for more updates and information. ~Ms. Wardley
<http://www.artsonia.com/schools/school.asp?id=139692>

Community News

The following schools will be offering meals throughout the summer for any parents who are in need of food for their children. (all children must be with an adult.) Times vary by location. Please contact a United Way operator by dialing 211 for more information.

Pedro, SAHS, Tech HS, Ketterlinus Elementary, Southwoods, Crookshank, Webster, Osceola

**Saint Johns County Sheriff's Office
is now accepting applications for:
School Crossing Guards
For more information please visit
www.sjso.org or call (904) 209-1565**

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, please send an e-mail to mtaylorstrout@aol.com as soon as possible. This is a great way to market various products and every item helps the kids at Palencia Elementary School!

2015-2016 PTO OFFICERS—OPEN POSITIONS

Are you interested in being a PTO officer for the 2015-2016 school year? If so, please contact Necole Neal at necoleneal@aol.com 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

- April 10—PTO Meeting, 8:45 a.m. in the MPR
- April 13-14—FSA Testing—5th Grade Math
- April 17—Spring Social & Silent Auction Dinner (Adults Only)
- April 20-21—FSA Testing—5th Grade Reading
- April 22—Earth Day
- April 29-30—FSA Testing—5th Grade Science
- May 1—Goodwill Bag-It-Up Day
- May 1—PTO Meeting, 8:45 a.m. in the MPR
- May 4-8—Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 5—Donuts for Dads (Book Fair)
- May 6—Muffins for Moms (Book Fair)
- May 7—Night of the Arts Event
- May 12—Battle of the Books
- May 13—Chorus Concert, 9 a.m.
- May 14—PES Business Appreciation Breakfast
- May 14—Chorus Concert, 6:30 p.m.
- May 15—Box Top Contest #3 Ends
- May 19—Spirit Night at McDonald's (Kickback Event)

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

THE PALENCIA CLUB

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