ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOLS

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Calendar of events:

- <u>Sept 17</u>: Picture Day
- <u>Sept 18</u>: Talk Like a Pirate Day
- Sept 18: Movie Night

Sept 28: 3rd Annual PES FORE!

The Kids Golf Tournament

Oct 8–16: Fall Book Fair

- <u>Oct 19</u>: Teacher Planning Day/
- No School for Students
- <u>Nov 11</u>: Veterans Day/

No School for Students

2015-2016 SJCSD Calendar



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<u>Show your</u> <u>School Spirit!</u>

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

THE CAPTAIN'S LOG

Ahoy Palencia passengers and crew,

We cannot thank you enough for all your support that you have shown our school over the past couple of weeks during Boosterthon. We were able to reach our goal by the end of the event, which is a major accomplishment. The funds that we raised will be used to purchase new music equipment for our students to enjoy during music class and to repair the sound system in the cafeteria. The remaining will go towards purchasing shade structures that will cover the playground and the basketball courts.

Collecting the pledges is the next step for making this event successful. The Boosterthon team has been an asset to our school and we are sad to see them go. They taught our students daily lessons on character and helped us have a positive and enthusiastic atmosphere in the school. Finally, we would like to extend a huge thank you to our PTO and all the volunteers that made Boosterthon so successful.

For the rest of this edition of the newsletter, I would like to try a different format to help you get the highlights for the week. I am interested in your thoughts, so please feel free to send me an e-mail concerning this format.

Highlight for the week

- Hoping to see you at Family movie night this Friday evening.
- Very excited to announce the approval of the new school mission statement. Watch for more news about this on our website.
- Important information will be sent out via text messaging. There is a parent opt out option on the district website homepage if you wish not to receive these. We only share important messages, so I hope everyone will stay in this service.
- Parents of bikers Please ask your children to be considerate of others that share the same path.

Have a great week,

Captain Allen Anderson

Pirate Cove Connection

PES Media News for August is available at

https://www.smore.com/bp751

Helping Your Child Succeed on Florida Standard Assessments

Plan to attend an informational meeting

for families of 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students

Thursday, October 1st, R.B. Hunt Elementary School Tuesday, October 6th, Valley Ridge Academy Thursday, October 15th, Osceola Elementary School Tuesday, October 20th, Ocean Palms Elementary School Thursday, October 22, South Woods Elementary School Tuesday, October 27, Mill Creek Elementary School Thursday, October 29th, Timberlin Creek Elementary School Thursday, November 5, Patriot Oaks Academy

What is FSA? Did FCAT Go Away? How can I help my child?

If you've asked any of these questions, please plan on attending an FSA informational presentation. Each evening will begin at 6:30 and conclude by 8:00, and will consist of a writing and

> ELA session followed by a mathematics portion. Time for questions will be built into the process.

* **PASS** *

Perfect Attendance Spells Success

Program Awards I-Pod (Nano)



Just wanted to say *Way to Go Pirates* so far we have 289 students who have perfect attendance*. We still have 23 days left in this marking period, so keep up the good work. Remember in order to be eligible for the PASS awards you have to have perfect attendance for the marking period, perhaps you had to go to the Doctor or Dentist this marking period or you got sick, no problem you still have a chance to win an IPod Nano three more times.

We will have a drawing each marking period.

Remember Perfect Attendance Spells Success.

*Students with early dismissals and tardies are not

eligible for the drawing. If you have any attendance concerns please call Mrs. Williams at 904-547-4017.

Prizes provided by Shannon Millican of The Horace Mann Companies, one of our district business partners providing auto, home, life and retirement services. For more information, call (904) 810-5636 or email shannon.millican@horacemann.com.

Reminders:

HAC (Home Access Center)

HAC or Home Access Center allows parents to view their 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade child's educational information via a secure, password protected website. Parents must create their own account in order to view their child's information. Students were given personal accounts so that they can view their information as well. If you have forgotten your login or password, I will be happy to assist you with your account anytime by emailing me

(CindyAnn.Williams@stjohns.k12.fl.us) or calling me, 904-547-4017.

To attend school functions during the school day you must be an approved volunteer. Apply here to get approved

Early Check Out: For the safety of all students, children may not be checked out of school after 2:15 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday and 1:15 on Wednesday. Change in Afternoon Transportation: If you need to change the way your child goes home in the afternoon, we must receive a written note or email from your listed email address to your child's teacher AND to transportationchangespes@stjohns.k12.fl.us before 2:00 pm (1:00 pm on Wednesdays).

We cannot accept phone calls for those changes. Changes in afternoon transportation should only be for emergency situations. Thank you for your understanding. Please refer to the **Student Code of Conduct** for the district policies involving attendance, dress code, acceptable use procedures, and many more.

Community News

Creeks Baseball Club (CBC) Announces Fall Registration.



Please visit www.creeksbaseballclub.com/ events/fall-instructional-program-2015/

to register and to find out more information.

For other opportunities with the Creeks Athletic Association please visit http://caaleague.org/

After School Activities

Villages Free Lacrosse Clinic &

Shinsei Martial Arts



PTO NEWS & EVENTS

Spaces are still available for the Golf Tournament on September 28th. Click HERE for details!





BOOSTERTHON PLEDGES DUE!

The Palencia Pirates did fantastic at the Fun Run last Friday. To make it even sweeter, we met and exceeded our fundraising goal! **Please remember that pledges are due this Friday, September 18th.** Collection envelopes and instructions have been sent home with students... donations can be made by cash, check (made payable to PES PTO), or credit card through the FunRun.com website. **THANK YOU for your support of this effort!**





October 8-16: Book Fair Friday, Oct. 16: End of First Quarter



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.