



# Pirate's Post

## THE CAPTAIN'S LOG

**Ahoy Palencia passengers and crew,**

### Calendar of events:

- Oct 31: Pirate Day
- Nov 3: Daylight Savings ends  
clocks fall back one hour
- Nov 7: Painting Pirates
- Nov 8: Pirate Gathering
- Nov 11: Veterans Day-  
No School
- Nov 19: McTeacher
- Nov 21: Mystery Dinner
- Nov 25/26: Grandparent's  
Day
- Nov 27-29: Thanksgiving  
No School
- Dec 8: Nutcracker

### Show your School Spirit!

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

Great News - Work on the Solar Panel is finally complete! The bike rack that is used by the Palencia bike riders was put back in to place and today the students will begin using this area again. We are awaiting the final inspection of the solar panel's internal equipment, then we can turn on the system and begin its use.

As we will no longer be using the bottom area for bike parking, I am asking that anyone that parks and walks into the school to use that lot to park. Once you have parked, please walk up the sidewalk. This is to avoid having people cross traffic to enter the school. I would suggest dropping off children first as you go through the drop off line then park and make you way (via the sidewalk) into the building.

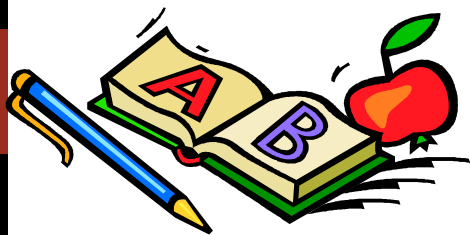
Color of the Day – As I hope you are aware, we are requesting that students wear certain colors on certain days of the week. This is not mandatory, but it is encouraged. This is for the safety of our students given the unique status of our school. Recently we had a call from a community member that saw a student out by themselves during the school day. Because of this call we were able to follow up and check on the child. Everything was as it should have been and the child was where she was supposed to be. While there was nothing to worry about during this incident, it did show that our community is looking for the colors of our students on certain days. It certainly makes me feel good knowing there are so many people looking out for our children. I would encourage supporting wearing our colors of the day.

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Thank you to everyone who came out to Pirates and Pancakes. We had a great turnout! The Chorus was fantastic and the Book Fair had a great selection of books. Everyone had a wonderful time. My favorite part was watching our families meeting and getting to know each other. There were also some very amazing pumpkins decorated as book characters. I must admit that some were decorated so well that I had to look again to recognize that they were pumpkins. I am looking forward to placing one of them outside my house for Halloween. Our Teachers and PTO do many activities, such as this, as community and school relations. Often times we see such events as 'fundraisers', but actually they are intended to promote relationships and to get our families together. With this in mind, PTO has another event coming up that is much more than a fundraiser. Painting Pirates is an opportunity to get together and create some handmade crafts and/or holiday gifts. If you are interested in this event please RSVP with the PTO as there are limited spaces and supplies available. For information on this and other upcoming events, please check out the PTO website.

Captain Allen Anderson



## School News

### **Gifted Parent Advisory Meeting**

October 29, 2013

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

The Webster School

An opportunity for parents to learn about the gifted program and share concerns and celebrations.

### **Gifted Referral Information**

- Screening of all second graders (coordinated by guidance counselor):  
November 18 to November 22, 2013
- Deadline to submit private evaluations to Kathy Cook, Guidance Counselor:  
January 15, 2014

Any questions about the gifted process can be directed to Kathy Cook or refer to our website  
[www-pes.stjohns.k12.fl.us](http://www-pes.stjohns.k12.fl.us)

## Community News

- Do you have a son or daughter between the ages of 7 and 14 who just can't stop bouncing that basketball? The SJC Youth Basketball League is here! Registration starts on Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> and will end on tryouts, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>. All players make a team so sign your child up for only \$25! Visit [sjcfl.us/youth](http://sjcfl.us/youth) for more info.
- The Ancient City Privateers' annual family friendly Pirate Gathering on Francis Field in downtown St. Augustine will be Friday, November 8, 2013, from 9 am to 1 pm. Admission is a 'buck-an-ear' (\$2) per student. Come ashore and see the pirate mutiny, weapon demonstrations, sailor's encampment, Thieves Market, and hear stories of the high seas, history, and shanties! We welcome all pirates!
- CAA is starting a Track and Field Club for Boys and Girls ages 6-14! CAA is please to announce that we are adding our 16th sport to our league. Track and Field is one of the fastest growing sports in the world. And we are excited to have a few dedicated volunteers willing to step up and start a program within CAA. We are currently in the investigation stages of the club. But we have committed the full resources of CAA to the program. For now, if you are interested, please contact Marty Mceachean at [martymceachean@yahoo.com](mailto:martymceachean@yahoo.com). Coach Marty will be spearheading the efforts for the youth Track Club in our area. He will need volunteers to get this going. Please contact Marty if you are interested in helping and if you have a child who would like to participate. Track and Field will be a Spring Sport for CAA.
- Early Registration for the 2014 Spring Lacrosse Season is now Open: We are very excited to announce the launch of our new Creeks Lacrosse website. Come on over and check us out at: [www.creekslax.com](http://www.creekslax.com)

*Discounted Early Registration for the Boys and Girls 2014 Spring Season is NOW OPEN.*

*Don't forget to*  
**Fall Back**

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME  
 ENDS  
 NOVEMBER 3



# PTO News

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# PAINTING PIRATES

**Thursday, November 7th**

Class begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room

The staff from Doing Dishes Pottery Studio will teach your family how to paint your own tile, plate or platter. No experience is necessary! You'll get to personalize your artwork with your family name(s).

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