#### ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOLS

#### 15 December 2015



## Palencia Elementary Newsletter



# THE CAPTAIN'S LOG

## Ahoy Palencia PASSENGERS AND CREW,

#### Focus of the Week

- \* We are once again partnering with Captain Mayhem for his Holiday Toy Drive. See below.
- \* School will be dismissed at 1:50pm on Friday, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> for Winter Break. This is an early dismissal day.
  - There is important news from the Superintendent concerning testing cut scores. Please take a few minutes to read his letter at the following link : <u>http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/supt/report/</u>
  - A link to the Pirate 5K is now available on the PTO website. Register now for the Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> run.
- St. Johns County Character Counts 6K and 3K will be held Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
- Reminder We are phasing out sending home paper copies of report cards. More info below.
- The Principals Math Challenge has new members, see the list below.
- HAC App information. More information below.
- We hope everyone has a safe and very happy Holiday.
- Students return Wednesday, Jan. 6.

**Report Cards** - As report in previous editions of the newsletter, we will be phasing out sending home paper copies of report cards. The schools in our feeder pattern have started this process of only publishing report cards via the HAC system. Next week marks the end of the second reporting period. Report cards are to be completed on Monday, Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>. We will be sending home paper copies for grade K – 2 on Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>. Grades 3 -5 will be available on HAC. If for some reason you are unable to print the report cards, you can request a paper copy form the school. We will go school wide for all grades on the HAC report card distribution during at the 3<sup>rd</sup> reporting period in April.

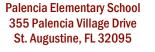
**Toy Drive** - We are partnering with Captain Mayhem and the St. Augustine Swashbucklers to gather toys for needy children. For the past several years the Swashbucklers with our help have been able to provide Christmas for many local families as well as to present toys to children spending the holidays in the hospital. The Swashbucklers do many things for our school during the year and in return ask for our help with this toy drive. Please feel free to drop of any donations at the front office.

**APP Alert** - The District IT Department has become aware that there are at least two mobile apps in the iTunes app store, called easyHAC and myHAC. These products were produced by independent parties, and were not produced or are affiliated with our Student Information System vendor (SunGard Education). The District does not endorse these apps in any way. We strongly advise that Student and Parents <u>avoid download-ing and using these apps</u> to log in to Home Access Center (which is a District Sponsored system). The school district has no control over, and cannot provide any assurances to the privacy or integrity of your student's data when using these mobile apps. Your login information or student academic information could be compromised, sold, or otherwise used maliciously.

Please join me in welcoming our newest members of the Principals Math Challenge; Lawson Pickens, Gharam Amun, Ariona Navarro, Giancarlo Nieves-Serrano, John Gerosa, Aliya Navarro, Keilana McGreevy, Sammy Delucca, Tate Smith, Aidan Pogachnik, Luis Olivares and Colton Stout,.

Have a great week,

Captain Allen Anderson



Allen Anderson, Principal Angela Fuller, Assistant Principal

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#### **Calendar of events:**

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- <u>Dec 16</u>: Staff Luncheon
  <u>Dec 17</u>: Chorus Performance
  <u>Dec 18</u>: Early Release @ 1:50
  <u>Dec 21</u>: Winter Break Begins
  <u>Dec 25</u>: Christmas
  <u>Jan 5</u>: Teacher Planning Day
- Jan 6: Return to School
- Jan 11: SAC Meeting

#### 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

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Pirate Cove Connection PES Media News for December is available at https://www.smore.com/7beww

# SAC Meeting -Student Advisory Council-

Don't be the last to know.. Come and join us at our next SAC Meeting.

As a member you will stay up to date on all the latest happenings within our school and the community. We meet on the second Monday of each month @4pm. We would love to have a more diverse group representing our school so all of our voices are heard. PALENCIA ELEMENTARY PIRATE POST

*Attention 5<sup>th</sup> Graders!* Are you ready to be an Eagle?



Join us for 5<sup>th</sup> grade Night/Ice Cream Social at Sebastian Middle School on Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 6pm

\*Tour the school!\* \*See band, chorus and guitar performances!\* \*Learn about our programs and courses!\* \*Go on a Scavenger Hunt!\* \*Buy Spirit Wear!\*

> Unable to Attend? Visit the SMS website for more info: www-sms.stjohns.k12.fl.us

-Lost N Found-

Our lost and found is overflowing!! If missing items are not picked up they will be donated over the winter break?



Dear Kindergarten, First, Second and Third Grade Teachers and Parents, WJCT is sponsoring the PBS Kids Go! Writers Contest again this year. We hope you will encourage and support your students' love of reading, writing and drawing by helping them to enter this year's contest. Please consider the March 6, 2016 deadline for submission as you plan your classroom schedules for January and February. WJCT Education Outreach | (904)358-6391 <u>w</u>ww.wjct.org/writers

# **Community News**

Villages Baseball Association

Baseball season is right around the corner, and we at Villages Baseball Association (formally known as Mill Creek Little League) have exciting news to share. Registration is now open for the Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth experience to Mid and South St Johns County for boys and girls ages 4 -14. Inquire about discounts for registering multiple siblings, approved head coaches, elected board positions, as well as scholarships for financial hardships for those that qualify. Advanced Baseball to be offered in the following age groups: 6U, 8U, 10U, and 12U.

All Star Baseball to be offered in all age groups 6U and above. Registration closes on January, 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **After School Activities**

L.E.E. Spanish Drama Kids Club Scientific 4-H Garden Club Good News Club Shinsei Martial Arts Soccer Shots Odyssey of the Minds

# PTO NEWS & EVENTS

# Can you spare some time to help in the Art Room? Click HERE to sign up!



Saturday, January 16, 2016 starting at the Palencia Club

5K Begins at 8 a.m. • One-Mile Fun Run Begins at Approximately 9 a.m.

#### All proceeds benefit Palencia Elementary School

Packet pick-up on Friday, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Race Day from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.

Chip timed event

- Event shirts for all participants
- Top finisher medals in each gender & age categories See reverse side for sponsorship opportunities

Register early - Price increases January 7th!

Register online at www.ThePirate5K.com

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Thurs., Dec. 17: Chorus Performance, 6:30 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 18: Early Release Day—2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Ends
Dec. 21-Jan. 4: Winter Break—No School
Tues., Jan. 5: Teacher Planning Day— No School for Students

View the complete events calendar HERE



Smencils for Box Tops

Top collecting class in each grade will receive a SMENCIL for each student.





Pirate Giving Tree Program: Help make the holidays brighter for some of our PES families! Click HERE to sign up!



Support Our Resource Teachers! Various items are needed... can you contribute? Click HERE to sign up!



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.