



## Palencia Elementary Newsletter

# Pirate's Post

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## Calendar of events:

- Apr 23: 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 7: Night of the Arts
- May 12: Battle of the Books
- 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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## THE CAPTAIN'S LOG

### Ahoy Palencia passengers and crew,

As I am sure many of you saw in the news, schools were not able to conduct our 5th grade FSA testing yesterday. Yesterday's issues only caused a slight delay in our day as we moved forward to have a typical school day. Today we conducted the first session and we will conduct the second session on Thursday. This will cause a closing of the Orange (5<sup>th</sup> and part of 4<sup>th</sup> grade) Deck Thursday morning.

As we move forward to the end of the year, there are a lot of events scheduled. Please be sure to check the Post weekly for all the latest information.

We have sent an Alert Now to our 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> 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*

## Show your School Spirit!

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

## 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](http://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! **FRA Voting, Book Fair Details and More in this week's Pirate Cove Connection** <https://www.smores.com/3216b>

**Book Fair Volunteer Sign-up 10% Off, Sign-up here...**<http://tinyurl.com/lh4mwc2>

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!



Our Relay for Life event is this Saturday from noon to midnight at the World Golf Village around the Pond of Unity! There will be lots of fun activities for families all day. Please help us; we are in need of canned or bottled drinks to sell at the event as a fundraiser. They can be dropped off at parent drop off or in the front office this week. Also congrats to Orange deck for winning the money wars and free throw challenge!! To join the team or make a donation, see are team page:

<http://main.acsevents.org/goto/palenciapirates>

Any questions please contact team captain, Heather Caldwell (Keisler) *Thank you so much! ~Heather~*

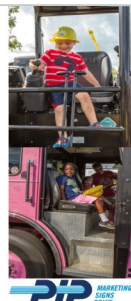
## Community News

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.sjsa.org](http://www.sjsa.org) or call (904) 209-1565**



**feel the wheels**

Saturday April 25  
9:00am to 4:00pm

St. Augustine Outlets parking lot next to Board Ford.  
Hands-on fun with trucks, fire engines, cars, boats, & more!

Admission:  
\$5.00 for children ages 2 and up, adults are free.

Advance tickets available at [www.tagmuseum.org](http://www.tagmuseum.org)

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## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Pre-Kindergarten registration schedule is as follows:

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](mailto:CindyAnn.Williams@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

## ART ROOM NEWS

Students are excitedly finishing their masterpieces for our Night of the Arts, which is scheduled for Thursday May 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30 pm. Everyone is invited to attend this fun event! Every student will have their best artwork framed and on display in the cafeteria and hallways. The frames are available for purchase for \$25 and proceeds go towards the art program. Students will be creating portfolios and bringing home all their artwork before the end of the year.

We will also be celebrating Earth Day with a Recycled Creation Display. Student who are interesting in entering should register by filling out the application on the Art Room web page.

<http://www.artsonia.com/schools/school.asp?id=139692>

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers for the art show- we need help framing artwork, labeling artwork and setting up, manning the Artome table on May 7<sup>th</sup>.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4iyhsr3ojks>

## PTO NEWS & EVENTS

### SPRING SOCIAL & SILENT AUCTION DINNER

The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Spring Social and Silent Auction Dinner took place last Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, with over 100 people in attendance. Early predictions show that we have raised over \$18,000 in profit with this fundraiser, which will benefit reading and writing programs for the school. Many, many thanks to all those who donated items for this event, as well as to those who attended and those who assisted with planning and set-up efforts!

### VOLUNTEER NEWS

Volunteers are needed for a variety of time slots to assist with the upcoming **Book Fair** (April 30<sup>th</sup> - May 8<sup>th</sup>). **Please visit the Sign-Up Genius link HERE to reserve your volunteer time today!**

The annual **Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast** is scheduled for Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have assisted the school as a volunteer in any capacity this year, you are invited! Please RSVP to Susan Solms at (904) 547-4010 or send an email to Susan.Solms@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

### 2015-2016 PTO OFFICERS—OPEN POSITIONS

Are you interested in being a PTO officer or committee chairperson 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 15<sup>th</sup>! 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

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| April 22—Earth Day                                    | May 7—Night of the Arts Event                      |
| April 29-30—FSA Testing—5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science | May 12—Battle of the Books                         |
| May 1—Goodwill Bag-It-Up Day                          | May 13—Chorus Concert, 9 a.m.                      |
| May 1—Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast, 8:30 a.m.     | May 14—PES Business Appreciation Breakfast         |
| May 4-8—Teacher Appreciation Week                     | May 14—Chorus Concert, 6:30 p.m.                   |
| May 5—Donuts for Dads (Book Fair)                     | May 15—Box Top Contest #3 Ends                     |
| May 6—Muffins for Moms (Book Fair)                    | May 19—Spirit Night at McDonald's (Kickback Event) |

***For a complete calendar of events, visit the PTO Calendar Page***

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# Summer Fun



Programs for 3-4 year-olds up to 12th graders

Please call (800) 964-9974 for more information

## Community Partnerships Equal Big Impact for Safer Cycling

Velo Fest Community Initiative, St. Johns County Sheriff Office and St. Johns County Library, with financial support from the Barbara A Kay Foundation and Flagler Hospital, are proud to be bringing back the "Bicycle Rodeo" to St. Johns County.

Saturday May 9, 2015 11:00am – 1:00pm Velo Fest Bike Rodeo Vilano Pier, Contact Heather Neville

Bicycle Rodeo, free helmets, bike races, free kids bike race, [velofestfestival.org](http://velofestfestival.org)

The events will consist of helmet fittings and the importance of wearing one, bicycle-handling skill stations, "how to" stations, and general fun. Please see below and please try to make it out to the event being offered. If you would like to volunteer please email [director@velofest.org](mailto:director@velofest.org).

<http://velofest.org/community-partnerships-equal-big-impact-for-safer-cycling/>

THE PIRANHAS



SWIM TEAM

## 2015 Summer Team Registration

Please visit our team website  
at [www.palenciapiranhas.org](http://www.palenciapiranhas.org)  
to sign up now!

New swimmer evaluations are performed by  
appointment ONLY.

Please contact Coach Lauren at [lrobbins412@yahoo.com](mailto:lrobbins412@yahoo.com)  
to schedule your evaluation.

New swimmers evaluations are performed

Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> 4:00-6:00pm (by appointment only)  
Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> 4:00-6:30pm (by appointment only)  
Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 9:30-11:30pm (walk in only)

Non-Resident Fee Apply

**SUMMER MARINE SCIENCE PROGRAM** Pre-applications for the summer Marine Science Program were sent to all elementary and middle schools in the district to be passed out during the week of February 23<sup>rd</sup>. However, if your child did not receive a pre-application, they may still apply. You can download a pre-application, get all parent information, and view a video of the program by going to the Gamble Rogers Middle School website and clicking on the Marine Science link. Any questions can be answered by emailing John Gordon at [john.gordon@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:john.gordon@stjohns.k12.fl.us).

This summer program is available to all students currently in grades five through eight and has been sponsored by the school district since 1982. All instructors in the program are St. Johns County School District teachers.

Three 8 day sessions are held at Gamble Rogers Middle School with bus transportation provided. The three sessions are June 8<sup>th</sup> to June 18<sup>th</sup>, June 22<sup>nd</sup> to July 2<sup>nd</sup>, and July 6<sup>th</sup> to July 16<sup>th</sup>. Small classes of 12 – 14 students are separated by grade level.

The Marine Science Program is a carefully designed experience for responsible students who are interested in learning about our local marine environments. Learning is "hands on" in the field. Students access various marine environments while kayaking, canoeing, boating, hiking, biking, snorkeling, surfing, windsurfing, sailing, and SUP's (stand up paddleboards).

If your child is selected for the program, a final application form will be mailed out from the district office in April.