



Pirate's Post

THE CAPTAIN'S LOG

Calendar of events:

- Sept 17: K-2 Curriculum Chats
- Sept 18: Girl Scout Round - up
- Sept 19: Boy Scout Round-up
- Sept 19: Talk Like a Pirate Day
- Sept 20: Pinwheels for Peace
- Sept 24: State of the School
- Sept 26: State of the School
- Sept 30: State of the School

Ahoy Palencia passengers and crew,

Thank you to everyone that was able to make it out to the Curriculum Chat last week. Our Intermediate teachers did a wonderful job of giving our parents all the information they will need for a successful year. As a reminder, our K-2 Curriculum Chats will be held tonight and begin at 6pm in your child's classroom. We are requesting that this be a parents only event. We are looking forward to seeing all parents of Kindergarten through second grade this week.

Following the Curriculum Chats, I will be holding a talk on three different occasions. During these 'State of the School' addresses I will be sharing information to our families about Common Core Curriculum and the changes you will be seeing. I will also be seeking parent input on how we, as a school, will be moving forward as a Technology School. I have several programs to discuss and look forward to your input. The "State of the Schools' address will be held:

Tuesday, Sept. 24th at 6:30 pm

Thursday, Sept. 26th at 6:30 pm

Monday, Sept. 30th at 10:00 am

I would like to extend a huge thank you to all our staff for all the dedication to our students they demonstrated during last Friday's in-service training. We stayed on campus and invited local Law Enforcement Agencies to join us as we discussed safety in our school. The teachers had many wonderful ideas and questions. I have been impressed by the comments they made and the adjustments they have made to keep our children safe. We hope that we never have to use any of the emergency procedures that were addressed, but forethought and a constant awareness can be the best way to prepare.

Show your School Spirit!

Monday— Red

Tuesday—Black

Wednesday—Green

Thursday—White

Friday - Spirit Wear

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While we are on the topic of safety, there are a few other items that worry me. We have some parents that are getting out of the car at parent drop off in the morning to help their child get out of the car. This does create an unsafe condition for pedestrians. I challenged one young man to be able to do it himself this morning. He gave me a big smile and acknowledged that he could do it. I could see it in his eyes that he was thinking, "I'm a big boy now". Please help your child be prepared to get out of the car and to do so with only the help of a patrol if needed. Additionally, we have parents parking in the parking lot and walking their children up to the school in the morning or out to a car in the afternoon. This also creates a potential hazard for those that are walking. If you are simply picking up or dropping off, please stay in the car line and allow your child to walk themselves to or from the car. If you need to walk in with a project or for some other reason, please park on the bottom level parking area and use the sidewalk to walk up to the school. I thank you in advance for your cooperation as we work for the safety of everyone.

There is a lot going on here this week. Thursday is "Talk Like a Pirate Day". This is sure to be a big and fun day for all our students. Additionally, this Friday we will be celebrating Pinwheels for Peace. I look forward to telling you all about both of these events in the next edition of the Post. Due to these events we are asking all students to wear their **Spirit Wear** on Thursday and **White** on Friday this week.

Thank you for reading through this Pirate's Post and I hope you and your family have a great week.

Captain Allen Anderson

Save the Date

State of the Schools

Presented by Joseph G. Joyner, Ed.D

Superintendent of Schools

Monday, October 14, 2013

6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

School Board Auditorium

School District Administrative Building

40 Orange Street

St. Augustine, Florida



Community News

- ◆ If your child is interested in sports, swimming, fishing, camping, archery or BB, all while having fun with friends, come to the school **cafeteria at 7pm on Thursday, September 19** to join Cub Scouts! All boys grades 1-5 are eligible to participate and those joining will receive a buy one get one free ticket to a Jaguars home game this season!”
- ◆ Join the Fun! Be a Girl Scout! Come to the school **cafeteria on Wednesday, September 18th at 6:30pm** to sign up.
- ◆ **Creekside Athletic Association — CAA Flag Football Registration is Now Open for 2013**

New this year for 13U, 14U and 15-17U divisions only

Coaches may submit up to 8 names per team rosters (Coaches need to submit all names at once we will not take partial lists). There will be no draft for these age groups. Players may play up one division (for example, if player is 14 years of age by August 1, he/she may play up in the 15-17U division). Player age will be verified. Maximum Player age is 17

Not registering with a team? Not a problem - we will place you on an established team.

League Age 12u and below:

Players must be 4 by August 1, 2013.

Players may register to play up one age division. Eligibility will be verified.

You will be assigned two week day practices of 1 hr in length. Either, 5,6,7 or 8pm slots.. You may use both or one of these practices throughout the season. There is one Saturday before the games begin. It falls on Thanksgiving. Field layout is at www.caaflagfootball.com.

The CAA Flag Football season will run from November thru February 28th. Games will start on December 7th with the final playoffs in February.

There will be a two week, single elimination tournament during the final two weekends of the season. Details on the playoff schedule will be posted to our website soon. Go to CAAFlagfootball.com for Registration

Your vote makes a big difference to our school.

Visit GiveWith.Target.com to vote for our school.

This year, Target will give money to schools all over the country for one simple act: a vote. Our school needs just 25 votes to earn a \$25 donation from Target. But that's only the beginning. For each additional vote, our school will get \$1 more. So please remember that, although the gesture is small, the rewards are potentially huge. Go to GiveWith.Target.com to vote for Palencia Elementary School once a week through September 21 or until Target has given away all \$5 million. And please forward this email to your friends. Vote and see rules at GiveWith.Target.com.

MADD Event: “Walk Like MADD”

Walk Like MADD is non-competitive 5K event to raise awareness and funds for Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Drunk driving is 100 percent preventable, but stopping it requires the involvement of every concerned citizen. You can help make our community a healthier and safer place by joining MADD at 7:30 am on November 9th at the Orange Park Kennel Club. This event will help MADD raise both awareness and funds to stop drunk driving and underage drinking, and provide support to victims and survivors. To sign up a team, become a walker, or make a donation visit www.walklikemadd.org/jacksonville.



Join Girls Inc. for our Fall Dance!

SATURDAY,
October 26th, 2013
5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Renaissance Resort at
World Golf Village
500 South Legacy Trail
St. Augustine, FL 32082

\$85 per couple*
\$30 per additional daughter
*Dad or significant adult male

Seating for Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Your evening will include:
Dinner and Dessert
Dancing and Entertainment
Professional Photograph
Party Favors
Raffle Prizes
Silent Auction

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Register at:
DaddyDaughterDanceGIJ.com

If you would like to pay with cash or money order
Please call 904.731.9933
Visit girlsincjax.org for more info

SPACE IS LIMITED!

Prepaid reservations by 10/23/13
No walk-ups please
Visa/Mastercard/American Express

All proceeds benefit Girls Inc. of Jacksonville,
a nonprofit organization that inspires all girls to be
Strong, Smart & Bold.



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Helping Hands is looking for you !!!

If you are able to help out at the school we could use your help. We have a few volunteers that are helping daily in the cafeteria and on Wednesday's all around the school. If you are interested in helping in the cafeteria please use the link below to sign up.

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0F44ABAB28A64-pesdrop/1407833

If you are interested in helping on Wednesday's with Helping Hands please contact Mrs. Brown at tracy.brown@stjohns.k12.fl.us or just show up when you can, there is always something to do.



WAYS TO HELP!

There will be numerous ways to help our students earn money throughout the year. Keep up with these methods by checking in at the Kickback Programs page on the PTO website!



Would you like to become a sponsor of Palencia Elementary School?

Click this sponsorship banner to download the sponsorship brochure for more information. We hope that you will find a level of support that is appropriate for your company.

Please contact Traci Lewis at (904) 687-3499
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