



## Palencia Elementary Pirate Post

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### THE CAPTAIN'S LOG

Hello Families,

We have an exciting last few weeks of school ahead. The teachers and I sense that our young pirates are getting excited (REALLY excited) for some R & R and fun family adventures this summer. I ask that you keep sending your children to school. Honoring school attendance sends the message that education and learning are priorities in your family.

We recently learned that, district-wide, final elementary report cards will not be available on the last day of school. The district must wait for state generated FSA results before finalizing report cards in some grade levels. Continue to check on your child's progress in HAC (Home Access Center) or through communication with his/her teacher. We'll send an email alert to all families once we know final report cards are available on HAC. Hard copies are available upon parent request.

Pre-ordered yearbooks will be distributed on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Extra yearbooks will be on sale for \$20 (Cash only, please) beginning Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Only a limited number will be available. First come, first served.

Student Information Questionnaires will go home the week of Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Your input is important! I encourage all families to complete a form for each child and return it on or before the last day of school. I read all forms submitted and make every effort to match students with classmates and a teacher that fit individual learning styles and academic needs.

I continue to be thankful for our school community.

#### Upcoming Events

**May 6-May 10:** Teacher Appreciation Week

**May 9:** Kindergarten Musical, 6:30pm Cafeteria

**May 10:** PTO Meeting, 8:40am Cafeteria

**May 14:** New Kindergarten Welcome, 4:00—5:30pm

**May 16:** 5th grade to SeaWorld

**May 20:** 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony, 6pm  
Glennon, Gardner, Wadsworth

**May 20:** Field Day

Kindergarten, 2nd, 1st Grades

**May 21:** 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony, 6pm  
Brown, Holmes, Hughes/Edwards

**May 23:** Field Day

5th, 3rd, 4th Grades

**May 23:** Willy Wonka Musical Cafeteria, 6:30 - 7:30pm

**May 24:** Early Release, 1:50pm

**Last Day of School**



Important

#### FSA Dates (3-5 Grades)

**May 9&10** - 5th Grade State Science Assessment

Together in Education,

*Captain Goodrich*



### Show Your School Spirit!

**Monday— Red**

**Tuesday—Black**

**Wednesday—Green**

**Thursday—White**

**Friday - Spirit Wear**

### We need Test Proctors!

**\*\*\*NEW SPOTS JUST OPENED\*\*\***

Please visit the sign-up genius below for proctoring opportunities! Be aware you cannot proctor in the grade that your child is in currently in and you **MUST** be a pre-approved volunteer through the Keep N' Track system.



Media Center News

[May Pirate Cove Connection](#)

### Clinic News

As we near the end of the school year, I would like to remind you to stop by and pick-up your child's medication. School policy does not allow for medication to remain in the school over the summer. It will be important for you to make arrangements to pick up your child's medication since medications may not go home with the student. Any medication left in the clinic after Tuesday, May 28th at 11:00am will be discarded according to the school district's Medication Policy.

Your child will receive medication forms for next year. As you know, medication orders must be completed every school year whether your child remains in the same school or goes to another St. Johns County School. If your child has a physical examination during the summer months, this is a good time to get the medication forms completed.

For your convenience, the clinic will be open beginning Thursday, August 8th to accept your child's medication and completed medication forms.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school clinic at 547-4019.

Have a safe and healthy summer, Nurse Nicole Garcia



The Ponte Vedra High School Marching Band will hold its first fundraiser clinic Tuesday June 11, 2019- **Learning the Fundamentals of Marching.**

**Any** student entering 6th - 8th grade will have the opportunity to become an honorary marching band member and learn the skills that made our band 5th in the state. You don't have to play an instrument or be in band, you just have to want to experience what it's like to be in a marching band.

All Middle School students 6th-8th grade are invited to attend the camp from **9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** on the PVHS practice field behind the band room/tennis courts (behind the Auditorium) on **June 11**. Please bring your **own water and packed lunch** and **wear sneakers**. The participants will have the opportunity to **show off their skills at the PVHS Band preview show on Friday August 2nd 6-7:30pm**. Clinic students should arrive by 5:30pm on August 2nd wearing their clinic PVHS band t-shirt and sneakers.

The \$50 clinic fee includes instruction by PVHS Band members and dedicated staff. A \$10 discount for additional siblings is offered for families with two or more registrations.

To register for the event you can mail in a check made out to PVHS Band Boosters (PVHS Band Booster 460 Davis Park Rd. Ponte Vedra, FL 32081) by May 24th with the following information: **Student Name**; **Additional Name (s)** if siblings planning to attend as well; **Grade entering Fall 2019**: 6-8th; **Parent(s) Name**; **Parent(s) Contact Number(s)**; **Emergency Contact Name and Number**; Any special needs/concerns [child must be physically able to handle an active day in the heat].

**Will your child be able to attend the PVHS preview show on Friday August 2nd 6-7:30pm?** Yes or No

OR

visit [pvband.com](#) and register online under shop & donate- Marching clinic Fundraiser (\$52 for credit card). Contact Mistie Eltrich at (904)834-2250 or [dmistie@aol.com](#) with any questions.



# New Kindergarten Families

Please join us on Tuesday, May 14 from 4:00—5:30pm for an informative welcome night! You will receive a school tour, walk through a day in the life as a kindergartener, meet some of our amazing kindergarten teachers, and participate in a special question and answer session with our Principal, Captain Goodrich! Our registrar, Ms. Leddy, will be here to help you register and answer any questions you might have! Computers will be available for those of you who need to complete the process and/or bring in documents for verification. Please visit our website to pre-register your incoming kindergartener before our special event!



[Registration Link](#)



# Character Cup Champions



Avery A.
Piper C.
Taylor H.
Emily W.
Tyla W.



Lukas B.
Jacob C.
Samuel G.
Aidan P.
Tate S.



## They won the team title!

The Character Cup is a student centered competition focused on character and athletic pursuits, involving all 24 Saint Johns County elementary schools. This year's event was hosted by Saint Augustine High School on April 24<sup>th</sup>. The 10 representatives from each school competed in team tug of war, 4x100 meter relay, team field skis, 100-meter run, sack race, long jump, First Tee long drive, and First Tee chip shot.

Palencia students earning individual trips to the podium include:



Avery A.	2 <sup>nd</sup> place long jump
Lukas B.	1 <sup>st</sup> place First Tee chip shot
Samuel G.	1 <sup>st</sup> place long jump
	3 <sup>rd</sup> place 100-meter run
Tate S.	2 <sup>nd</sup> place First Tee chip shot



We are so proud of our team of student athletes who represented Palencia so well with their character and competitive spirit. Go Pirates! Thank you Coaches McMahon and Brougham for all your hard work.

## Safety Patrol



## News Crew

The School Safety Patrol is an organization sponsored by AAA Insurance. The Program has been around since 1920. It consists of selected boys and girls who are in fifth grade. Safety Patrols help their schoolmates to safely enter and leave the school at the beginning and end of each school day. Good character qualities and academics are essential. We are very proud of our school's Safety Patrols. Thank you for your service to Palencia Elementary School this school year. A special thanks to our safety patrol sponsors Ms. Holmes and Ms. Adams. Mrs. Ayriah Booyesen thank you for facilitating our awesome News Crew.

Sadie N.	Taylor H.	Caleb H.	Parker N.
Dominik L.	Kamryn S.	Sophia C.	Gabby S.
Lukas B.	Ayton R.	Keira H.	Ashton L.
Brendan C.	Ella C.	Avery A.	Aliya N.
Ariona N.	Tyler G.	Iyanna A.	Katie D.
Judy M.	Reid H.	Kianna L.	Jonas W.
Grady S.	Theo M.	Elijah E.	Eloise A.
Adah L.	Aidan P.	Piper C.	





# Battle of The Books



We are so proud of our SSYRA readers and the Battle Team. Each student on the team read all 15 books. Then they took the highly competitive Battle Test to secure a spot on the team. The team competed against 11 other schools in the south of the county. This is the 3rd year in a row that our team has won the Battle of the Books South. Overall our school has won 5 times in the 7 years our school has competed. During the battle, students must identify 40 quotes from the 15 different books. This year the team only missed one quote from the 40 that were given and maintained the lead during the entire battle. It was an exciting competition and our students showed talent and teamwork. Go Pirates! Thank you Mrs. Ayrish Booyesen for all your time and coaching!

## Music & Drama News



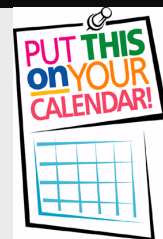
The 2nd grade classes' production of "When I Grow Up" was a smashing success - kudos to our incredible 2nd grade students and teachers! Our final grade-level musical will be May 8-9, when Kindergarten presents "Hats!" - which is about, well, hats! It is adorable and they will rock your socks off! Or your hat. ;-)

Pirate Chorus finished out the 2018-19 season with the annual Night of the Arts concerts on April 24th. At almost 100 singers, the chorus gave a rousing performance to a jam-packed crowd who were also able to wander our school hallway art galleries and visit our book fair; it was a wonderful evening celebrating arts, literature and our supportive Palencia family.

Last up for this school year will be the Pirate Players' production of "Willy Wonka Kids" on May 22-23; the cast includes children from all grade levels and scenic elements by our very own Adventurous Artists Club. Many thanks to Mrs. Angus, Mrs. Fischer, Miss Lactawen, and Mrs. Pattishall for their faithful assistance and direction - when you are putting on a musical in an elementary school, you need many hands on deck! Thank you Mrs. Dowdie for all of your hard work and dedication to the arts!!!



# Mark the calendar



## Field Day Fun



### Monday, May 20:

Kindergarten 8:45—10:00

Second Grade 10:15—11:30

Frist Grade 12:30—1:45

### Thursday, May 23:

Fifth Grade 8:45—10:00

Third Grade 10:15—11:30

Fourth Grade 12:30-1:45



## Kindergarten Water Day

Wednesday, May 22—Kindergarten teachers will share details in the coming weeks!



## Performances



Come and support our talented Pirates!!

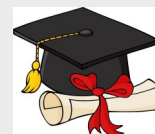
Thursday, May 9 - Kindergarten performs in the Cafeteria from 6:30-7:00pm

Wednesday, May 15 - “5-A-Day” Mrs. Simpson’s class play in the Cafeteria from 6:30-7:15pm

Thursday, May 23 - Wille Wonka Musical in the Cafeteria from 6:30-7:30pm



## Palencia’s 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony Information



**Monday, May 20** - Glennon, Gardner, Wadsworth

**Tuesday, May 21** - Brown, Holmes, Hughes/Edwards

- Ceremonies will take place in the Palencia cafeteria, doors open at 5:30pm, start time of 6pm.
- 5th Grade dance will take place on Tuesday, May 21 at 1pm.



# Counselor Corner



## How to Help Your Child Learn From Mistakes

*"The learning process includes exploring, taking risks and making mistakes along the way."*

-Ellen Leggett, Psychologist

Most of us know that Thomas Edison invented the light bulb but did you realize that he made thousands of unsuccessful attempts before inventing a successful light bulb? The story of Thomas Edison can help our children to understand that the process of learning is just as important as the right answer and that errors are a part of that process.

As parents and teachers, we encourage our children to learn from mistakes. However, learning from mistakes requires creating an environment that accepts errors and mistakes as teachable moments. The truth is that we all make mistakes. Some are silly unavoidable mistakes like tripping on an uneven sidewalk that reminds us that we just need to watch where we are going. Other mistakes are more complex and involve a series of events and people. Our task in this process is to help our children understand that it is ok to make mistakes and that for every mistake we make, there is a lesson to be learned. Here is an activity that might be useful next time you find yourself in a situation that becomes a 'teachable moment'.

When your child has made a mistake, listen as your child describes what has happened. Fold a piece of paper in half. Label one side "MISTAKES" and the other side "LESSONS". Have your child write down (or write them down as your child explains what has happened) the mistakes that were made. As you move to the lessons side of the page, emphasize that that for every mistake, there is a least one lesson to be learned. Now, have your child tell you what lessons can be learned from this mistake and write them on the Lessons side of the page. Together, review both lists. Tear the paper in half separating the mistakes from the lessons. Now, tell the child that he/she can only keep one...which will they choose to keep? The mistake or the lesson? (Most will choose to keep the lesson.). Ask what they think should be done with the mistakes? Lead them in the direction of tearing up the mistake into tiny little pieces and throwing it in the trash. (Make a big deal of throwing the paper in the trash with drama and force.)

The final step is to develop a plan of what can be done to make sure that the same mistake is not repeated. Below or beside the 'lessons' list write "WHAT I WILL DO DIFFERENTLY". Help your child develop a plan that you both feel is a reasonable and achievable solution.

Praise your child for making the choice to keep the lesson. Emphasize that it now becomes their responsibility to make sure that the same mistake will not be made again! If the mistake happens again, that means that they took the shredded mistakes out of the garbage, taped it back together to keep and threw away the lesson. Be sure to close your discussion with an affirmation that you believe in your child and that you 'can't wait to see what happens!'

### Example:

**Mistake: Bad report grade in Mathematics**

#### **MISTAKES**

Did not study for tests or waiting until the morning before the test to study.

Not doing homework.

Doesn't know basic math facts.

Not asking parents for assistance.

#### **LESSONS**

Homework is important.

Must start studying for math tests earlier.

Need to memorize and review basic math facts.

#### **WHAT I WILL DO DIFFERENTLY**

Do my homework soon after school.

Agree on a time and place to do homework free from excess noise and activity.

Memorize and practice basic math facts.

Ask for help when assignments are not understood. Who can help? Parents, Teacher, Tutor...

*"When Thomas Edison was interviewed by a young reporter who boldly asked Mr. Edison if he felt like a failure and if he thought he should just give up by now. Perplexed, Edison replied, "Young man, why would I feel like a failure? And why would I ever give up? I now know definitively over thousands of ways that an electric light bulb will not work."*



## PTO NEWS & EVENTS

**Wednesday, May 6 - 10 - Teacher Appreciation Week**

**Friday, May 10th - PTO Meeting at 8:40 a.m. in the MPR**

**Tuesday, May 14th - New Kindergarten Welcome 4-5:30 p.m.**

**Monday, May 20th - Field Day for K,1,2**

**Thursday, May 23rd - Field Day for 3,4,5 and  
Willie Wonka Drama Performance**

**View the complete events calendar [HERE](#)**

### TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

**May 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>**

This is our chance to show how much we love our teachers and staff. To keep things consistent throughout the school, the PTO has designated days of the week for your child to bring in an item for their teacher. Please contact your Homeroom mom if you would like a copy of your teacher's "Favorite Things" list.

**Mon.**  
May 6

**BRING YOUR TEACHER A FLOWER  
(PTO WILL PROVIDE EACH  
CLASSROOM WITH A VASE)**

**Tues.**  
May 7

**BRING YOUR TEACHER  
A HOMEMADE CARD  
OR PICTURE**

**Wed.**  
May 8

**BRING YOUR TEACHER A SPECIAL  
TREAT, EITHER SWEET OR HEALTHY  
(YOU KNOW THEM BEST!)**

**Thurs.**  
May 9

**BRING YOUR TEACHER  
AN ITEM FOR THE CLASSROOM  
(TEACHER WISHLISTS AVAILABLE AT THE BOOKFAIR)**

**Fri.**  
May 10

**PARENT'S CHOICE...SURPRISE THEM!  
PLEASE NOTE: WE RECOMMEND A SMALL TOKEN  
OF APPRECIATION...HOMEROOM MOMS WILL BE  
PROVIDING END-OF-YEAR ACTIVITY INFORMATION**



Desserts Are Needed  
for the PES Staff Member  
Cinco de Mayo Celebration  
**Click [HERE](#) to sign up!**



PES Field Days:  
May 20th and 23rd  
Volunteers needed!  
**Click [HERE](#) to sign up!**

**VOLUNTEERS!  
WE NEED YOU!**

We need as many volunteers as possible  
for upcoming FSA and iReady testing. Every  
time you volunteer you will be entered  
into a raffle for a \$50 gift card!



**FSA Proctors are Needed!  
Various Dates Available  
Click [HERE](#) to sign up!**

\*Note that only FSA Volunteers will be allowed in the school on testing days

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