



# THE PIRATE POST

Palencia Elementary School

November 21, 2025

Ms. Catherine Goodrich, Principal  
Ms. Theresa Cooper, Assistant Principal

## THE CAPTAIN'S LOG



### UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, November 24 -  
Friday, November 28:  
Thanksgiving Break

Friday, December 19:  
Second Quarter  
First Semester Ends  
Early Release @ 1:45pm

Monday, December 22/  
Thursday, January 1:  
Winter Break  
Student/Teacher Holiday

Friday, January 2:  
Teacher Planning Day  
Student Holiday



Have a wonderful  
Thanksgiving break,  
PES families!





# Congratulations to our Character Counts **RESPONSIBILITY** Recipients from October

## Kindergarten

Raymundo R.L.  
Cassidy D.  
Sloane A.  
Finn S.  
Alexandra F.  
Clara S.  
Sadie S.  
Landon B.  
Holden S.  
Claire O.

## 1st Grade

Luna M.  
Brody W.  
James R.  
Monica B.  
Reese J.  
Roman O.  
Zuri W.  
Finlay B.  
Caden E.

## 2nd Grade

Donovan M.  
Luciana P.  
Audrey K.  
Yuriy K.  
Layla G.  
Zoe L.  
Raegan V.  
Clarkson O.  
Alina W.  
Blake M.  
Dia A.  
Wesley M.





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## 3rd Grade

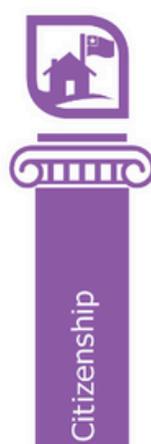
Marshall S.  
Eliana M.  
Charlotte G.  
Meadow L.  
Canon D.  
Marcus T.  
Lennon K.  
Logan J.  
Braelynn T.  
Annabel O.  
Brody W.  
Ryleigh B.

## 4th Grade

Sofia K.  
Lydia F.  
Noelle M.  
Eli C.  
Jude K.  
Lexanne G.  
Camille K.  
Eduardo A.  
Michael E.  
Evie B.

## 5th Grade

Reagan W.  
Raghav R.  
Ava W.  
Bryson W.  
Sarah P.F.  
Camden R.  
Kera L.  
Brody J.  
Jonah T.  
Cailyn S.



# THE WEDDING of “Q” AND “U”

## A Kindergarten Tale of Two Letters



Wedding bells rang throughout the kindergarten common area as our littlest pirates celebrated the joining of “Q” and “U” in a mock wedding.

Our young readers and spellers will forever have a memorable way to remember the spelling rule of the letters Q and U, understanding that those letters almost always are found together in words.

This special event was celebrated with a dance reception enjoyed by all wedding guests. Thank you to all who were involved in this fun lesson!



# Art Room News



## Important Information

Our Art to Remember fundraiser is in full swing. Through this fundraiser, you can purchase keepsakes featuring your child's artwork and every order supports our school. Forms were sent home in early November so be sure to ask your artist about it!

**Order deadline: Friday, November 21, 2025.** Items selected for ship to school will be delivered directly to students before Winter Break. Thank you for supporting our art program!

<https://arttoremember.com/>



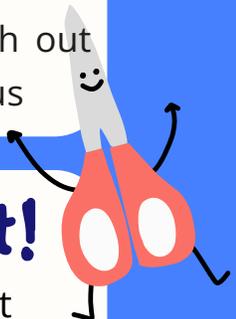
## Hello from the Art Room!

Hello PES Families! Students have been creating some incredible masterpieces here in our art studio. We've been learning about line, shape, color, and texture. For those that are new to our school, you might notice that art is not coming home. Student art is collected and stored so they can choose their favorite to put in our Spring "Night of the Arts" art show. All work will be sent home in a portfolio at the end of the year. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to me at [danielle.foster@stjohns.k12.fl.us](mailto:danielle.foster@stjohns.k12.fl.us)

## Snip, Sketch, Support!

Want to spread some love in the art room? Grab an item from our Amazon Wishlist and fuel young artists' imaginations.

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/l/s/25OLZ51DE0M8W?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/l/s/25OLZ51DE0M8W?ref_=wl_share)





# PALENCIA ELEMENTARY PTO NEWSLETTER

## EVENT HIGHLIGHT

### Challenge Island STEM Night



Join us for  
**Palencia Elementary School  
Family Night**  
**WEDNESDAY, December 3rd**  
**6:00pm - 7:30pm**  
**Sign up Today!**

Food will be served followed by a fun and engaging  
STEAM family activity

## YOUR DONATION MATTERS

Please consider donating to one of our PTO sponsored programs this holiday season! The **PES Pirate Giving Tree** ensures that every child receives gifts this holiday season! Click the link below to choose a child to purchase gifts for this holiday season.



[#](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4FAFA82CA4F85-60519361-pespirate)

Pirate's Bounty provides food for students over weekends and all school breaks. Click the link below to learn more or donate.

[#](https://palenciapiratespto.com/pes-pirate-bounty-food#7eb9f197-30fd-4bb3-891c-081033084462)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*JAX ICEMAN FAMILY NIGHT*  
Friday, January 9, 2026

*DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE*  
Saturday, January 24, 2026  
The Renaissance Hotel  
@ World Golf Village

## FROM OUR LAST MEETING

NOVEMBER 4, 2025

Thank you to our district's Safety and Security Specialist, Mr. Mike Strousbaugh, for providing an informative presentation on the training and procedures in place to keep our students and staff safe. We appreciate his expertise and dedication to our school community!

Join us at a meeting:  
Tuesday, December 9, 2025  
Tuesday, January 8, 2026  
8:40am  
PES Cafeteria

If you would like to volunteer at any of our events  
email our Vice President of Events,  
Brooke Paarlberg at :  
[pes.ptovpofevents@gmail.com](mailto:pes.ptovpofevents@gmail.com)



Art rocks > Birthdays rock > Music rocks  
 Pirates Rock > Schools rock > Sports rock >  
 Students rock > Teachers rock

**RESERVE THE ROCKS**

**STEP 1:** SCAN here to book the rock or visit [palenciapiratespto.com](http://palenciapiratespto.com)

*Bryce Brushworks*  
 202.590.6759  
[jessica@brycebrushworks.com](mailto:jessica@brycebrushworks.com)

**STEP 2:** contact Jessica for rates & availability

## Your Donation Matters

### Pirate's Bounty

clothing | food | essential items  
 for Students In Need

All donations fund food bags, clothing, and other necessities for Palencia Elementary School students in need.

To sponsor a child it costs  
 \$33 a month | \$150 half-year | \$300 whole year  
 Any \$\$ amount is appreciated!

## AHOY, PALENCIA PIRATES!

IT'S TIME TO ORDER SPIRITWEAR FOR THE 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR! SCAN HERE TO SHOP HIGH-QUALITY STYLES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Scan here

**EVERY ORDER SUPPORTS THE PALENCIA ELEMENTARY PTO!**

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## Palencia Elementary

### SIGN UP FOR PTO TODAY!

 Boosterthon	 Mother Son Event	 Daddy Daughter Event
 Hospitality Team	 Communications Team	 Be the Change Sea Turtle
 Online Auction	 Fore the Kids Golf Tournament	 Grandparents Day

**THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!**

For more info contact:  
 Brooke Paarlberg - (904) 495-8411  
[pes.ptovpofevents@gmail.com](mailto:pes.ptovpofevents@gmail.com)



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