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Eating lunch with your child

We invite parents to eat lunch with their children for special occasions. However, please do not allow your child or sibling on the playground area at this time. It is a liability concern and we appreciate your cooperation.

Lost and Found.....

is located in the front office. We have a large amount of items, please encourage your children to come and look for any missing items. Also, please write your child's first and last name in items such as jackets and lunch boxes.

Look for PPE on Facebook and/or Twitter and now Instagram @ Palm Pointe K-8





Updates will occur regularly about happenings around the school

Mark Your Calendar

On Early Release day's school ends at 2:10pm. The dates for the year are as follows 4/27, 5/25, 5/26, 5/27

REGISTRATION 2015-2016

Registration for the 2016-2017 school year is now closed. FAU has begun selecting students. This process is ongoing and will continue throughout the Summer.

Parent Information Resource Center

Did you know there is a Parent Information Resource Center located in the Front Offce- FAU room? You can find a number of brochures and videos in English & Spanish. Some of the topics include:

- *Ways to help children succeed in school
- *Learning activities for rainy days
- *Helping children cope with Divorce, ADD/ADHD, depression, etc.
- *Parents are teachers too!

Change of Address

If your home address has changed in the course of the school year, please provide the office with <u>two</u> of the following documents dated within the last 30 days to help us stay up to date on our current records: electric, water, or land line telephone bill, singed lease agreement, current mortgage deed,

sales/builder's contract, or rent receipt.

We do not accept: driver's license, cell phone bills, cable bills, bank statements, checkbooks, child support checks, or pay stubs as proof of address.

Autism Walk

Palm Pointe is collaborating with Westgate to organize the Treasure Coast Autism Walk. The walk is on Saturday, April 2nd in Tradition. Registration is at 8:00am, Walk starts at 9:00am and activities are till 11:00am. If you want to join the Palm Pointe team just sign on to www.autismspeakswalk.org/treasurecoast

Please help to support this three county event to bring awareness and support for Autism.

Office Hours
Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:45pm

Supervision

There is no supervision before 9:20 each day. Please allow your children to remain in your car until this time. Our school begins at 9:40 am

Florida Standards Assessment
The 2016 testing schedule begins with the Writing Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) in March with other content tests to follow. All students and parents are encouraged to visit the Florida Standards Assessments website for specific testing information, updates, and practice tests. The website is www.fsassessments.org.

The following link provides specific and current information about testing. http://www.fsassessments.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Florida-Family-Brochure-v6-2.pdf

See daily schedule on the next page

<u>Helpful Hints for Testing</u>
Families, as testing time approaches, follow these helpful hints to assist your Rockets in arriving ready for a successful day:

- Establish predicable routines for evenings and mornings.
- Make sure your child goes to sleep early each night.
- Plan for a relaxed morning, to ensure that your child has enough time to eat a healthy breakfast and get to school on time.
- Encourage your child to do his/her best on the test.
- Remind your child about how much he/she has prepared all year long and how proud you are of his/her hard work!

28th Annual St Lucie County Regional Science & Engineering Fair-**STEM Competition Awards List**

CONGRATULATIONS ROCKETS WE ARE PROUD OF YOU

Behavioral & Social Science BEHA: Junior Division

3rd Place – Sidney Scaletti

Biomedical & Health Science BMED :Junior Division

3rd Place – Ellyn Delano

Chemistry CHEM: Junior Division

1st Place - Jacqueline Jaimes

3rd Place – Cassidy Taylor

Environmental Engineering ENEV : Junior Division

2nd Place – Sarah Wouters

3rd Place - Athresha Kalluri

Engineering ENMS : Junior Division

3rd Place – Ariadna Hiller

Microbiology MICR :Junior Division

1st Place - Nicole Vargas, PPK 2nd Place - Dudleen Paul

Plant Sciences PLNT : Junior Division

Honorable Mention - Haylynn Tate

SPECIAL AWARDS Broadcom MASTERS

Jacqueline Jaime

Nicole Vargas

Center for AgriLife Research Education and Entrepreneurship

Jr. Division

Sarah Wouters

Yearbooks:

Yearbooks will be sold again in May once Palm Pointe receives them from Lifetouch. At that time soft cover books will be available for \$35. Be watching for a flier!

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_ Citizen of the Month

The Citizenship Award is given to one student in each class in grades K-5 and one student per homeroom class in grades 6-8. Elective and resource teachers also choose a student each month. These students were selected based on Palm Pointe's School-wide Rules:

✓Engage in Your Learning **✓**Act Respectfully **✓**Make Safe Choices **✓** Take Responsibility

KINDERGARTEN: Zahir Thomas, Holland Lilley, Chace Richards, Kianush Torkaman, Daniel Calderon-Montez, Addyson Howe-Barton Giovanni Irizarry, Miranda Malave

FIRST GRADE: Aylie Sinclair, Elizabeth Castelo, Kiley Goodin, Ava Morris, Alejandro Diaz, Sebastian Generous, Aidan Massman, Kashylla Wood, Marissa Maciel, Ethan Villasuso, Devin Hagel, Matthew Jones

SECOND GRADE: Jordyn Landron, Alyssa Cerbone, Dylan Rodrigues, Ed Cesar, Benjamin Arisi, Mirlange Flueriot, Gaby Cabrera-Melendez, Naiya

THIRD GRADE: Tyler Forshner, Julia Wilmoth, Nicholas Rafter, Missoni Thompson, Devin Habyan, Richard Edelkraut, Isabella East, Irfawn Baksh, Matthew Antonakas FOURTH GRADE: Cassia Charnes, Fabrizzio Capocci, Laila Vernon, Kendell Lopez, Jackson Register-Messer, Ashwin Dhar, Ariana Rivera, Mathieu

Briand FIFTH GRADE: Ty Lettera, Kailey Alford, Alexa Weeks, Sabrina Fontanez, Saurina Etienne-Salomon, Lia Mihajlovski, Alyssa Bentley, Leo Perez

SIXTH GRADE: Nicolas Cusa, Catiana Bois, Daniel Monzon, Kate Casey, Valerie Oviedo-Taborda, Noah Wasserman-Tapias, Gianna Mazzoli, Naomi Henderson, Kyle Sostre, Lusi Vardanyan, Taylor Mallonee SEVENTH GRADE: Moya Smith, Devin Parham, Dudleen Paul, Lamar Freckleton, Madison Quittell, Alexandra Brutus, Roger Borja-Boulay, Dylan

Ramnerine, Andre Gomes-Lopez, Anthony Balam EIGHTH GRADE: Danielle Hightower, Garrett Rodney, Austin Garcia, Amanda Orezilas, Jaden Meizinger, Joshua Hannan, Tristan Cavalier, Shelby

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PTO News

Thank you for all the families that came out to Five Guys Burgers & Fries.

The school year is quickly coming to the end. We have one last Box Top contest. One lucky winning class will receive a \$50 gift card to be used toward your end of year party. Start sending in your neatly trimmed Box Tops now. Also, April is our nomination meeting. Come and nominate your PTO for the 2016/17 school year.

Book Fair

What a groovy Book Fair we had! The media staff would like to thank all those students, parents, teachers and community members who made our book fair a success. We sold over \$12,000.00 worth of materials during the two weeks of the fair. Over \$200 worth of books were purchased for individual teachers' classrooms through the Classroom Wish List and the One for Books programs. Special thanks go to the volunteers who gave so much time and energy to setting up, helping locate materials, working the cash register and so much more. If you were at the book fair or saw pictures on Facebook, you know what an amazing job they did with the decorating and assisting students to "lava" their book fair!

Testing Schedule 2016

| Grade 3 | Reading March 29& 30 2 sessions,80 min | Math March 31& April 1 2 sessions,80 min | Other XX | |
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| 4 | April 13, 14 2 sessions,80 min | March 31& April 1 2 sessions,80 min | XX | |
| 5 | April 11, 12 | April 19, 20 | Sci/Apr. 25,26 | |
| | 2 sessions,80 min | 2 sessions,80 min | 2 sessions,80 min | |
| 6 | April 15, 18 2 sessions,85 min | April 27, 28, 29 3 sessions,60 min | XX | |
| 7 | April 25, 26 | May 2, 3, 4 | EOC Civ/ May 11, 12 | |
| | 2 sessions, 85 min | 3 sessions, 60min | 1 session, 160min | |
| 8 | April 21, 22 | April 13, 14, 19,20 | EOC Alg & Geo/May 9, 10 | |
| | 2 sessions, 85min | 3 sessions, 60min | 2 sessions, 90min | |

Class K-5 Group Picture Day April 12, 2016.

Parents, please help us by sending students in DRESS CODE. We want all our Rockets to look SHARP!

No need to send payment until pictures are delivered.



Every Friday only is Spirit Day.

April

Spirit Shirts are available for \$10.00 in the Front office. Students may wear any Palm Pointe T-Shirt on Spirit Day.

| Su n | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | April 1st. Gr. K & 1 Savanna Presentation 9:45-10:30 - Kindergarten Session 1 (Foohs, Knapp, Krieitzman, Rubel) 10:35-11:20- Kindergarten Session 2 (Perez, Rios, Gauthie) 11:30-12:15 1st Grade Session 1 (Benton, Garcia, Sigmon Sanguinetti) 12:20-1:05 1st Grade Session 2 (Keen, Watson, Hartman, Ashenfelter) | 1 FBA MS Concert Band Festival Site TBA FSA Math Gr 3 & 4 PBT Ses 2- 80 min No Dress Code \$1.00 to support Autism Awareness | 2 FBA MS con cert Band Festival Site IBA Autism Speaks 9 am @ Tradition Square |
| 3 | 4 Gr 3 & 4 PBT make ups begin thru April 8 | 5 Portfolio Practice Test @9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) | 6 PTO General 9:00 am Gr. 7 Pearson Infrastructure Test 9:45 in Labs Portfolio Practice Test @9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) Parent Survey window Opens D2 | 7 Portfolio Practice Test @ 9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) | 8 TCUS 1:30 pm Gr 3 & 4 PBT make ups end Firetruck visit 1:30-3:30 pm for students w/Autism F4 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 FSA Rdg Gr 5 CBT Ses 1-80 min | 12 K-5 Lifetouch Class Pictures on Stage FSA Rdg Gr 5 CBT Ses 2-80 min School Board Meeting - PPE New Principal Announced | 13 Report Cards Go Home FSA Rdg Gr 4 CBT Ses 1-80 min FSA Math Gr 8 CBT Ses 1-60 min (Endeavour) C2 | 14 FSA Rdg Gr 4 CBT Ses 2-80 min FSA Math Gr 8 CBT Ses 2&3 – 60 min each (Endeavour) Elementary Chorus & Gr. 1 Concert 6:30pm | 15 FSA Rdg Gr 6 CBT Ses 1-85 min Florida Alternative Assessment Ends | 16 Science Boot Camp 9-12 pm Gr. 5 & 8 (Identified students) |
| 17 | 18 Portfolio Test 1 @ 9:45 (Identified 3rd grade students) FSA Rdg Gr 6 CBT Ses 2-85 min | 19 Interim Reports Go Home FSA Math Gr 5 CBI Ses 1- 80 min FSA Math Gr 8 CBI Ses 1- 60 min (Challenger) Portfolio Test 1 @ 9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) A1 | 20 FSA Math Gr 5 CBT Ses 2-80 min FSA Math Gr 8 CBT Ses 2&3-60 min each (Challenger) Gr 6 & 7 PBT Accomodated Math (2 students- S1) Portfolio Test 1 @ 9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) SAC 8:30 am· SIP/PIP Gr. 1 Parent Night 5:30 pm Parent Survey Window Closes B2 | 21 FSA Rdg Gr 8 CBT Ses 1-85 min Gr 6 & 7 PBT Accomodated Math (2 students- S2 & 3) Portfolio Test 2 @ 9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) Band Spring Concert 6:30 pm | 22 FSA Rdg Gr 8 CBT Ses 2-85 min Portfolio Test 2 @ 9:45 am(Identified 3rd grade students) Gr. 4 St. Augustine Field Trip 5:30 am - 8:30 pm | 23 Relay for Life |
| 24 | 25 FSA Rdg Gr 7 CBT Ses 1-85 min Gr 5 PBT NGSSS Sci Ses 1 80 min Gr 8 PBT NGSSS Sci Ses 1 & 2 80 min each Portfolio Test 2 @ 9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) | 26 FSA Rdg Gr 7 CBT Ses 2- 85 min Gr 5 PBT NGSSS Sci Ses 2- 80 min Portfolio Test 3 @ 9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) | 27 Early Release Day FSA Math Gr 6 CBT Ses 1-60 Min Portfolio Test 3 @ 9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) Students that returned survey Free Dress Code (Invitation Only) | 28 K-Blastoff 6:00pm FSA Math Gr 6 CBT Ses 2 & 3-60 min each Portfolio Test 3 @ 9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) B3 | 29 Elem. Sea Camp Field Trip (Identified students) FSA Math Gr 6 CBT Ses 2 & 3-60 min each Portfolio Test 4 @ 9:45 am (Identified 3rd grade students) School-Wide Young Author's Celebration 2:45 pm (Identified students) C4 | 30 Elem. Sea Camp Field Trip (Identified students) Civic & Algebra Bootcamp 9 - 12:00 pm (Identified students) Geometry Boot Camp 12:30-3:30 pm (Identified students) |