



# The Orbiter

## Mission Ready...That's the Pointe!

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### Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00 - 4:30pm  
School Hours 9:40-4:10

### Supervision

There is no supervision before 9:15 each day. Please allow your children to remain in your car until this time.

### Principal's Corner

Dear Palm Pointe Families,  
On behalf of the Administration & Palm Pointe Staff, we would like to wish all of our families a happy holiday season! It is December and your children will be busy learning and growing while participating in some holiday fun. Please see the December calendar for activities at Palm Pointe. Also, colder weather dress code is included; please review so everyone is prepared for our changes in climate. As always, thank you for your support of our school, its staff, and your children.

Mrs. Kathleen Perez, Principal

### Beauty and the Beast

The Palm Pointe Players proudly invite you to their production of *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* The show will be performed at 6 pm on November 29th and 30th, and at 3 pm on December 1st. Tickets cost \$5 for adults and \$3 students and can be purchased ahead of time in Palm Pointe's front office, or at the door before each performance.



### Volunteers of the Year

The following are the Outstanding Volunteers of the Year! Congratulations to them and thank you to all our volunteers!

**Youth:** Rollin Pattison

**Adult:** Mrs. Melissa Lehman

**Senior:** Mrs. Diane Yeager

### SIP/PFEP

PPE's School Advisory Council approved the 2018-2019 School Improvement Plan (SIP) and Parent/Family Engagement Policy (PFEP). Visit <https://www.floridacims.org/districts/fau-lab-sch/schools/0020> to access the published SIP. Look for at-a-glance documents about the SIP and PFEP to be sent home with your child later this month.



Please bring a new, unwrapped toy to Palm Pointe for children ages 0-14 for our donation sleigh! We will be collecting toys from now through December 14th and will also be purchasing additional gifts with the money we raise from our December 7th \$1-Free Dress Code Day. Help us reach our goal of collecting over 500 toys, so children less fortunate have gifts to open on Christmas. As an added incentive, your child will receive a free dress code pass when they bring in a toy to add to the sleigh!

### Congratulations to Our 2017-2018 Staff Honorees!

Please join us in celebrating our staff honorees for the 2018-2019 school year! We are so proud!

#### Teacher of the Year:

Mrs. Amy Fazzaloro

#### Distinguished Minority Educator Award:

Mrs. Rosa Garcia-Herrera

#### Outstanding First Year Teacher:

Ms. Samantha Genise

#### School Related Employee of the Year:

Mrs. Kathleen Ferguson

### Breakfast with Santa

**Saturday, December 8th 9:00-11:00 a.m.**

**Breakfast Served 9:00-10:30 a.m.**

**Santa Arrives at 9:30 a.m.**

**Tickets \$5-Children's tickets include 3 crafts**

There will be raffles, face painting, and holiday entertainment from our own Mrs. Melanie Larsen!

Santa's exclusive visit to Palm Pointe will be Saturday, December 8th. Bring your own camera. Santa will be available for pictures from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Join us for a pancake breakfast and holiday crafts. All breakfast tickets are pre-sale only. Your prepaid tickets will be available for pick up at the door, the day of the event.



### November Citizen of the Month

The Citizenship Award will be given to one student in each class in grades K-5 and one per homeroom class in grades 6-8. Elective and resource teachers will also choose a student each month. These students were selected based on Palm Pointe's School-wide Expectations: **Take Responsibility, Engage in Your Learning, Act Respectfully, Make Safe Choices, and for consistently demonstrating Efficacy and Effort.**

**Dates and Times for Citizen of the Month Award Ceremonies:** 1/30, 2/20, 3/27, 4/17, 5/15

All assemblies are at **10:30 am** in the Auditoria. Parents and family members can report directly to the Auditoria.

**Kindergarten:** Sophia DiBenedetto, Michael Matos, Elijah Arias, Ryan Salomon, Kaliyah Garcia, Hadley Meier, Sophia Hisey, Joey Innamorato, Austin Narcisse

**First Grade:** Madyssen Escalante, Maddex Weeks, Keaton Alcantara, Savannah Hayes, Nicole Savoree, Sabrina, Alexander Brown, Megan Dippolito, Emily Maxwell, Ashley Collado

**Second Grade:** Cadence McGeary, Eviana Chavez, Easton Lunsford, Asher Ghobrial, Brandon Madonia, Coralie Reich, Mathieu Riche, Russell Renella, Jaxon McCully

**Third Grade:** Ryson Solesky, Anthony Giaquinto, Kailey Rowell, Emma Dickinson, Olivia Drawdy, Jake Blizzard, Isabella Sierra, Charlie Chuong, Jett Lambert, Michael Pennachio, Dakota Buonocore, Andrea Garrido

**Fourth Grade:** Madison Voelker, Aidan Massman, Aidan Powers, Gweneth Gilooly, Nathaniel Krigger, Angelina Reid, Ivy Golden, Drew Laplante, Gavin Piscopo, Raul Lopez, Elyjah St. Fleur

**Fifth Grade:** Brianna Louis-Pierre, Ansley Holmes, Angelica Sanchez, Madison Pesula, Collin Barnhart, Victoria Zavelis

**Sixth Grade:** Brenna Rooney, Trinity Brinson, Evan Harrison, Ryan Crews, Crystal Smith, Isabella East, Devin Habyan, Jayla Petitfrere, Emily Niebch, Noah Lehman, Sara Teninty

**Seventh Grade:** Damira Parham, Bellalize Agosto-Torres, Alondra Torres, Marvin Rivero, Brianna De La Cruz, Vanessa Fisher, Sophia Cruz, Jayden Soto, Alyson Kelly, Mariana Garcia, Ricardo Ingleton, Taylor Cook, Cooper Kuba, Tyler Heckler

**Eighth Grade:** Francesca Arias, Alex Golden, Abigail Rinker, Moses Schachter, Jacob West, Lia Mihajlovski, Saige Holmes, Mariana Garcia, Kaylani Krigger, Ty Lettera

**PTO News**

The Annual Holiday Shop will be opened from December 5<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>. Please review the budget envelope with your child, along with the schedule. K-5 shops during Mrs. Tucker's Technology class, 6-8 shops during first period. We need "Elf Help." Please email [palmpointept@gmail.com](mailto:palmpointept@gmail.com) with your availability. Thank you for supporting PTO.

**REGISTRATION for 2019-2020**

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is open from September 1, 2018- February 1, 2019. FAU will begin selecting students in March, beginning with Kindergarten.

**Mark Your Calendar**

On Early Dismissal days, school ends at **2:10pm**. The dates for the year are as follows: **12/21, 1/23, 2/13, 4/3, 6/3, & 6/4.**

**Social-Emotional Learning**

As we continue our focus on social and emotional learning, we have chosen to focus on Goal Setting for the month of December. This will help our students recognize the importance of perseverance and hard work and aligns with the Self- Management Competency. Every student will set at least one new academic and social goal for themselves for the upcoming year. We will recognize the importance of setting realistic goals on December 13th by asking all our students to wear a RED shirt.



**Data Verification**

Data Verification forms were sent home today (11/28). **All forms need to be signed and returned by December 5th, even if no changes need to be made.** If there are changes, please write directly on the form. If you have an address change, please attach a copy of a utility bill or proof of residency. We strive for accurate data for all students and this form enables us to have the most current emergency and contact information.

Please pay careful attention to who you designate as an emergency contact and correctly mark whether that person has permission to pick up your child. Please mark YES or NO for each person on the card.

**Palm Pointe's Science Expo & Awards Celebration**

Palm Pointe middle schoolers have been working hard on their projects, which are due November 30, 2018. The top ten winners in each pod will be displayed in the middle school pods the week of December 3rd-7th for judging. They will also be displayed in the Auditoria on January 9th at 2:45 pm for the Science Fair Expo and Awards Celebration. Invited participants and families will be able to view the projects on display from 2:45 -3:10 pm. The award ceremony will begin at 3:10. "Good Luck" to our future scientists!

**Cold Weather Clause**

When the temperature falls 50° or below, K-5 students may wear dress code jeans, slacks, or school-approved skirts with leggings under.

Permitted **dress code outerwear** would include: properly fitting cardigans, sweatshirts, sweaters, and pullovers in solid blue, gray, white, black, and tan. Small prints in those colors will be permitted.

All others will not be permitted while in the school building but can be worn while outside.

Planners (\$5) and Earbuds (\$4) are on sale in the front office.

**DECEMBER 2018**

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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>Clubs/Activities/Sports</b> Zero Period Band- M-F, 8:15-9:15 Rocket Chorus- T/TH, 8:25-9:15 Chess Club-M@ 8:15 Poetry Club -Fr, 12:14 & 12:21 @ 8:15	Soccer -T/TH 8:10-9:10 Volleyball- ends 12/8 T/TH 4:15-5 Book Club Group 1- 8:00-9:00 Dec 4, 11, 18	Book Club Group 2- 8:00-9:00 Dec 6, 13, 20		1 3:00 PPE- Player's - Beauty and the Beast
2 PTO Holiday Shoppe 12:5-12:14	3 E	4 F Kindergarten Math Literacy Game Night 5:00-6:30	5 A 7th Gr. Writing Parent Night Apollo Pod 5:30-6:30pm	6 B Young Musicians Holiday Concert (6th Band & Rocket Chorus) 6:30 pm	7 C \$1 No Dress Code for Toys for Tots PBIS Smencil Sale \$1.00 9:45-12:15 Gr. 5 Field Trip-IRSC 8th Jazz Band & Rocket Chorus Tradition Square- 6:30pm	8 9:00-11:00am Breakfast with Santa
9	10 D	11 E Rotary Club Christmas (Identified K students) Holiday Fine Arts Extravaganza - (All Jazz & Concert Band) 6:30pm	12 F <b>MS Elective Exams</b> <b>Progress Reports</b> 4:15-5:00 BETA Club Meeting	13 A <b>MS Social Studies &amp; Reading Exams</b> TCHS Prism Concert Wear a Red Shirt to Represent 'Goal Setting'	14 B \$1 No Dress Code for to Support the Guidance Fund 9:45-12:45 Gr. K & 1 Nutcracker Field Trip 3:20 Gr. 1 Fairy Tales PBIS School Wide Events TCHS Prism Concert	15 1:15 NJHS Bingo at Brennty
16	17 C <b>MS Science Exams</b>	18 D <b>MS LA Exams</b> 10:30 Gr. 3 Rotary Dictionary Presentation in pods	19 E <b>MS Math Exams</b> Gr. 5 CSI Family Event 2:30-3:45 Big Apple Night	20 F 1:15-2:15 Gr. 3 New Years Play	21 A <b>End of Quarter 2</b> Early Dismissal \$1 Ugly Holiday Shirt/Sweater to Support NJHS Class Holiday Celebrations (1 hr max)	22
23	24 Winter Break	25 Students' Return 1/8	26	27	28	29
30	31					