

## 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

#### February 1, 202

#### **Supervision**

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

#### Palm Pointe History Day

Palm Pointe School History Day participants were honored through a virtual presentation on January 12th. Each year, students across the country participate in National History Day – a research-based learning experience focused on a specific theme. The 2022 National History Day Theme is Debate & Diplomacy in History...Successes, Failures,

Consequences. Students were tasked with selecting a topic that showcased the theme and, through extensive research and analysis, prove their topic's significance in history. History teachers in grades 6 and 8 identified the top projects in each category for their respective grade levels, and those projects competed in our school fair. From those projects, a team of judges selected five to move forward and represent Palm Pointe at the St. Lucie County District History Day later in February. Congratulations to the following students who will compete at the district level: Findley Wessel, Xiomara Perez, Kayla Capocci, Adrianna Cordova, Gavin Lunsford, and Jimi Zawackis. We are very proud of you!

#### Cafeteria Update

We are currently experiencing some shortages with the food items we provide for breakfast and lunch. As we navigate these challenges, there may be times an item listed on the online menu calendar has to be substituted. If a meal needs to be substituted, the meal provided will be as close to the original item as possible.

We appreciate your understanding.

#### Palm Pointe's 2021-2022 Classroom Companion Series

Our February/March installment of our Classroom Companion Series will focus on Math strategies families can use to help support their children, as well as related resources to access from home. The video will be published on March 9, 2022. If you would like to view previous months' installments, please be sure to visit our website and click on "View Our YouTube Channel."

#### **Palm Pointe STEM Fair**

Congratulations to all our Rocket Scientists! We have 15 projects with 19 students who will be moving on to the 2021-2022 St. Lucie STEM Fair. The competition will be held on February 11, 2022, at the Kight Center at IRSC in Fort Pierce from 8:00AM - 3:00 PM. The district STEM Fair Award Ceremony will be held virtually this year; details will follow. Congratulations to the following students who are moving on to the district for judging:

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Erin Pitman, Matthew Waldrop, Makenna White 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Meredith Prince, Angelina Reid, Emma Outlaw 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Xiomara Perez, Kayla Capocci, Fiorella Giallongo, Olivia Peralta, Juan Paez-Aguirre, Findley Wessel, Evan Lamb, Gavin Lunsford, Isabella Nunes, Gabrielle Thomas, Isabella Ramos-Cordero, Emily Sexton, Jimi Zawackis

#### **Social Emotional Learning**

The Social Emotional Learning trait for February is responsible and ethical decision making. Responsible and ethical decision making is the ability to make constructive and respectful choices about personal behavior and social interactions based on consideration of ethical standards, safety concerns, social norms, evaluation of consequences of actions and well-being of self and others. At home allow your child to work on responsible decision making by letting them practice and reflect on small consistent moments such as, completing homework before playing video games, or cleaning their room when they're asked to the first time. These simple actions will help fine-tune your child's ability to think through consequences and the effects of various choices and actions. On Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating responsible and ethical decision making by participating in a school wide activity.

#### **January Citizen of the Month**

Although we are currently not holding live ceremonies, we want to be sure to recognize students each month for being an outstanding citizen. One student in each homeroom was chosen and recognized in class by their teacher. Awards are presented to each child by administration and families will receive a picture via email. The presentation of all the honorees will be posted on Facebook 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 demonstrating**the SEL theme for the month. Congratulations to:

Kindergarten – Easton Akerley, Corbin Rodriguez, James Hartman, Victoria Viso Martinez, Madellyn Ogilvie, Anna Sophia Desouza, Makenzie Takas, Zaya Jones, Rock Viens

First Grade – Emery Morgan, Conner Wilson, Carla Pierre, Ariana Greenhaw, Amber Dejoie, Julian Ortiz, Liam Mcgeary, Bryan Bokhart Second Grade- Leah Savoree, Sienna Guarino, Madison Alvarez, Noura Saadah, Khalyn Wade-Wollery, Bryce Davis, Samuel Cardona, Isabel Hans, Andrew Skursky, Cruz Hancock, Skylar Harper

Third Grade- Anthony Fernald, Mya Clement, Azalea Heli, Megan Lulkin, Elijah Arias, Jazmine Walker, Aubrey Rowley, Daniel Toth Fourth Grade- Gabriel Barrientos, Ashley Collado, Aryel Villier, Elijah Vega, Enoch Hong, Daysi Acosta, Sofia Bologna, Chloe Giaquinto, Christian Kenny

Fifth Grade – Makenzie Saks, Liana Bonet, Nevaeh Messina, Olivia Royle, Mayra Pena Munoz, Yara Nofal, Kaylee Stott, Alana Hamlin, Esther Sylvain, Kelly Jean-Philippe, Kinslee Plain

Sixth Grade – Andrea Garrido, Hannah Sylvain, Alicia De La Cruz, Aaliyah Bott, Shelby Wessel, Davi Siqueira, Mikaela Serbia Santillana, Victoria Leschander

Seventh Grade – Emily Mieloch, Devin Ferguson, Deanna Simpson, Shelby Lopez-Alvarez, Olivia Rynning, Ema Estrella, Lensley Jean, Emily Duarte-Garcia, Jasmine Kelly, Mckinley Lehman, Tobias Stratton, Lamarr Parks

Eighth Grade- Kameron Keaton, Ariel DeJesus, Michaela Singh, Kyle Lasseter, Anthony Alvarez, Cristina Leschander, Mia Lindstamer, Angel Salcedo, Findley Wessel, Taylor Wildes, Tori Dickinson, Joaquin Markle-Velez

#### **COVID Procedures**

Florida is still experiencing COVID-19 cases. We need to continue to work together to keep our school community safe and healthy and we appreciate your support.

Florida law prohibits requiring students to wear a face mask. However, a parent, at the parent's sole discretion may allow his/her child to wear a face mask. We strongly encourage face mask use and following all guidelines set by the CDC and St. Lucie County Department of Health. Parents must use the Daily Home Screening Tool to assess their child's health every morning. Any student displaying any of the symptoms listed must stay home to protect the safety and well-being of others. While at school, if your child reports to the clinic exhibiting one of the symptoms on the screening tool, parents will be called to pick up their child and he/she must stay home until symptom free and fever free without fever reducing medications for 24 hours. A copy of this daily tool can be found at: Microsoft Word - daily HOMEscreening tool 8.19.0 FINAL (stlucie.k12.fl.us)

If someone in your family tests positive for COVID-19 or is awaiting test results, we ask that you please keep your child(ren) at home and contact Mr. Keelor or Mrs. DeGarmo at (772) 345-3245.

St. Lucie Public Schools has set up a hotline for COVID-19 to help answer some of your questions. The number is 772-429-3601.

#### **Student & Parent Handbook**

Our complete Student & Parent Handbook is available for review on our website, on the home page at <a href="www.tradition.fau.edu">www.tradition.fau.edu</a>.

#### **Spring Picture Day**

Spring picture day for all K-8 students will be held on February 24<sup>th</sup> this year. For this picture, you child(ren) can dress up for this photo should you want them to. If not, students should remain in dress code. More information will follow.

#### 2021-2022 YEARBOOKS NOW ON SALE

Preorder your 2021-2022 Palm Pointe yearbook today! Directions for online ordering:

- 1. Go to www.balfour.com
- 2. Click on the "Yearbooks" tab and then "Buy Your Yearbook"
- 3. Enter school name: Palm Pointe Educational Research School
- 4. Fill out student information (first and last name, grade level) and then click "Shop for this Student"
- Choose either Yearbook with Quarter Page Ad\* (available until 1/21/22) or Yearbook Only Option\*\* (available until 5/20/22)
- 6. Click 'Get Started', type homeroom teacher and select the number of yearbooks you would like
- 7. Click "Add to cart"
- 8. Click "Checkout"
- 9. Checkout by paying with PayPal or credit card

\*If you order the 'Yearbook with Quarter Page Ad' option, you will receive an email shortly after the order. Fill out the information and provide a photo for the ad prior to the deadline date.

\*\*Yearbooks will be delivered to students during the last week of May.

#### Mark Your Calendar

On early dismissal days, school ends at **2:10 pm**. The dates for the year are as follows: **2/2**, **3/11**, **4/20**, **5/31**, **6/1** 

Conveniently purchase PPE planners, ear buds, spirit shirts and sweatshirts online! You can also purchase your prepaid Dollar Days pass to dress down on specific days this year!

# FEBRUARY 2022

Pay online all in one click with credit card or check. For more details, visit:

https://www.schoolpay.com/parent/mip/MdLJ Planner are required for all students.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sports Practice Boys BB-M & W 4:20 PM-S:15 PM Girls BB-M & W 4:20 FM-S:15 PM		I F	2 G Early Dismissal Day Honor Roll students Recognized 2:30-6:15 Grade 3, Part 2 Parent-Teacher Conferences	3 A	A B  No Dress Code to support PBIS (Must have & wear pre purchased lanyard to participate)  Candy Gram Sales Begin (To Support Guidance/SEL)	5 Virtual Night of the Stars-4:00pm
6	7 C	8 D	9 E 10:15-10:45 Infrastructure Trial (K-8) 5:15-7:30 -ASD Family Movie Night	10 <b>F</b>	11 G Candy Gram Sales End Cherrydale Fundraiser Ends	12
Jump Rope For Heart 2/14-2/18 -K-5 in PE	I 4 A Candy Grams Delivered	15 <b>B</b>	16 C 2:00 Parent Tour	17 <b>D</b> 8:45 SAC Mtg.	18 <b>E</b>	19
20	21 Holiday for All Presidents Day	22 F Texas Roadhouse Drive Thru Fundraiser to support Sunshine	23 G Citizen of the Month Students Recognized	24A Spring Picture Day	25 B SEL Schoolwide Activity	26
27	28 Teacher PD Day/ No School for Students 5:30-6:30 Grade 7 Are you Smarter Than a 7th Grader?					