



The Orbiter

Mission Ready...That's the Pointe!

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Office Hours
Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:30pm
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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,
The new year has started off great, the students are maintaining their course, and they're now mid-way through the 3rd quarter. The students will be continuing to learn new ideas and concepts that follow their grade level scope and sequence. I would like to thank everyone who donated to Maddie's Fight for our Week of Kindness project. The month of February will be a busy one, so please be sure to continue to encourage your children to use their planners, stay on top of assignments, and put those growth mindset skills they have learned to use as we finish out this nine-week period. As always, thank you for your support!

Mrs. Kathleen Perez, Principal

Social Emotional Learning

In the month of February, students will be focusing their social emotional learning around **Diversity & Tolerance**. Here on campus, we will kick off our learning on Monday, February 4th with an activity where students explore and appreciate the various similarities we all share, as well as our differences. On Wednesday, February 6th, you will find a flyer in your Wednesday folders that will let you kick off this learning at home as well. Students can work with their families and loved ones to help create squares for our school diversity quilt. Students who choose to participate can complete the project at home and bring it in by Wednesday, February 13th. We will then put all the squares together, so students can celebrate and find beauty in all their similarities and differences.



PPE Science Fair

Congratulations to all our Rocket Scientists! We had students place in 10 categories and they will be moving on to the 2018-2019 St. Lucie Science Fair. The competition will be held on **February 8, 2019**, at the Kight Center at IRSC in Fort Pierce from 8:00AM- 3:00 PM. On **February 13, 2018** the Science Fair Award Ceremony will be held; details to follow.

Physical Energy – 1st Place Cassandra Canales, 2nd Place Isabella Vassor

Chemical Energy – 1st Place Elijah Hernandez

Biochemistry- 1st Place Alexia Morgan

Plant Science- 1st Place Gabriel Hardman

Earth and Environmental Science- 1st Place Amaya Hernandez

Chemistry – 1st Place Tyra DiMatteo, 2nd Place Maddyzen St.Fleur

Microbiology- 1st Place Ashwin Dhar

Biomedical and Health Science- 1st Place Evelyn Hiller

Systems Software- 1st Place Avis Khatiwada

Physics and Astronomy- 1st Place Jaxson Vanname, 2nd Place Ava Borgella

Engineering Mechanics- 1st Place Leo Perez

PPE History Fair

On January 24th, students in grades 6 and 8 who demonstrated excellence in their respective categories were recognized at Palm Pointe's annual History Day Fair. Students could choose from five different categories to represent their work: exhibits, websites, documentaries, performances, or research papers. The following students will go on to represent Palm Pointe at the District History Day Fair on February 26th at IRSC's Kight Center:

Individual Exhibit: Summer Melrose; Evelyn Hiller

Group Exhibit: Camryn Byrd, Victoria Porter, & Kevin Lalanne; Amaya Hernandez & Kaylani Krigger

Individual Website: Jacob Schoner; Hailey Schoner

Group Website: Rihanna Garcia & Devin Habyan; Jaliyah Washington, Annie Kelly, & Josslyn Withrow

Individual Documentary: Olivia Donnelly; Kiera Natta

Group Documentary: Jasmine Chuong & Ariana Rosado; Makaila Jackson, Isabella Pardo, & Yessenia Gonzalez

Individual Performance: Addison Moore; Noah Lehman

Group Performance: Lauren Imbert & Ella Treadway

Individual Paper: Paris Lopez; Diego Markle Velez; Salem Nofal

January 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: 2/20, 3/27, 4/17, 5/15

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

KINDERGARTEN: Anthony Debenedetto, Azalea Heli, Isaiah Rolle, Emma Rodriguez, Liam Cohen, Tristan Josphe, Zele'thia Byrd, Gabriella Imbert, Angelys Thompson, Tai'er Dover

FIRST GRADE: Drew Curry, Leila Livingston, Kerney Gaudin, Lorenzo Mangual, Noah Lyons, Jayden Smith, Jacobi Adames, James Nonato, Victoria Antonakos, Olivier Laguerre, Zoey Outlaw

SECOND GRADE: David Lyons, Parker Lehman, Ari Robinson, Alexah Tout-Puissant, Lucca Domingues, Makenzie Saks, Tracy Briggs

THIRD GRADE: Shelby Wessel, Kai Andersson, Justin Soto, Jacob Heisey, Jacob Cruz, Emily Coke, Logan Tavares, Rayne Cohen, Daniel Calderon-Montez, Nijah Bois

FOURTH GRADE: Logan Gluck, Sebastian Genereux, Ryssa Peters, Thianna Viens, Rio Lindsey, Sadie Keelor, Julia Peralta, Toby Stratton

FIFTH GRADE: Connor Kugele, Aleanna Decker, Nikolai Gorman, Jaxson Martin, Xiomara Perez, Ava Waldrop, Ethan Howe-Barton, Joaquin Markle Velez

SIXTH GRADE: Matias Calderon, Robert Johannsen, Moises Torres, Gabriela Castelo, David Ribeiro, Olivia Donnelly, Alexia Morgan, Michelle Donohue, Addison Moore, Aedan Davis

SEVENTH GRADE: Joshua Volcin, Marc Cohen, Cristina Tirado, Christian Miller, Savannah MicMichael, Ariana Rivera, Alexandria Winter, Andrew Jones, Alyson Kelly

EIGHTH GRADE: Jasmine Chuong, Mallory Rafter, Collin Kugele, Ty Lettera, Emily Whelan, Branden Birch, Isabella Pardo, Kristen Doig, Keron Leslie, Summer Siano, Christopher Harvey

PTO News

“THANK YOU” to all of you who came to our Five Guys Community Night. We earned \$247 from this event. Remember, our next Box Tops contest ends 2/21. Send in those neatly trimmed Box Tops today with your teacher’s name on the baggy. Your class could be the next winner of the trophy and ice cream social. As always, thank you for your continued support!

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

Spring Pictures

We need volunteers for Spring Picture Day on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 between 9:30 and 4:00 pm. Please contact Volunteer Coordinator Stephanie Lassiter @ 772-345-3245 or Stephanie.lassiter@stlucieschools.org.

Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast

We would like to celebrate the impact that our volunteers have made within our school. Please join us as we honor our volunteers on February 12, 2019 at 9:45am.

Referendum

In April, SLPS will be coming to you, the voters in SLC, with an appeal for a one mill referendum for our students, our teachers, our community, and our future. Voters in the surrounding counties recognized the importance of teacher pay and approved referendums that support paying teachers more and funding recruitment and retention of high quality teachers. Specifically, Martin & Palm Beach passed referendums that will increase pay from \$1,800 to \$10,000. We must be competitive with those counties and be able to retain our high-quality teachers. Research shows that the quality of a teacher is the single biggest factor in a child’s success. Remember these funds will be used to raise teachers’ pay, improve school safety and security, and expand mental health services. All funds will stay here in in this county and an independent citizens committee will oversee the use of these funds to ensure they are used as intended. We need your help to make this happen. You will be hearing more about this in the coming months, with the referendum being voted on in April by a mail in ballot. Should you have questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Perez directly at 772-345-3245.

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

FEBRUARY 2019

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
	Clubs/Activities/Sports 0 Period Band— M-F 8:15-9:15 Rocket Chorus— T/TH 8:25-9:15 Chess Club—Mon 8:15 Poetry Club—Fri 8:15 Vocal Vision—TH 4:30-5:30	Intramurals: Girls BB: T, W, F 8:20-9:10 Boys BB: T, W, TH, 4:30-5:45	Track starts 1/9 ends 4/27 M, W 8:00-9:15 Soccer ends 2/28 T, TH 8:10-9:10		1 No School for Students	2 8am Girls BB Preliminary—Westwood 9 am Soccer LPA Jamboree @ Lawnwood Stadium
3 Candy Gram Sales (2/4-2/11)	4	5	6 9:00 PTO Gr 5 Water Conservation Presentation in Pod 9:50-11:50 K-2 'Crusin' Through Literacy' Family Reading Event 5:30-7:00 Sci. Fair Projects to the Knight Center	7 NJHS Meeting 3:40 Launch Pad	8 PBIS Smencil Sale \$1.00 1:30 TCUS \$1 No dress code to support United Way District Science Fair (8-3)	9 8am Soccer Tournament @ Ft Pierce Central Night of the Stars 5pm Lincoln Park Audelena
10 ELA Growth Monitoring (i-Ready) This Week	11	12 9:45 Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast in LP	13 Progress Reports Early Dismissal—RK 8:30 SAC Mtg. 11:30-12:30 Gr. 1 Read with Your Sweetheart District Science Fair Awards	14 2:30 Gr. K—Q&U Wedding Candy Gram Deliveries to Home-room Classes Project Citizen at IRSC (identified students) 4:30 Boys Basketball Scrimmage @PPE	15 SEL— Wear Pink to Support Celebrating Diversity & Tolerance Symphonic Band Rehearse-A-Thon 4-8 pm	16 Boys BB preliminaries A Team Place and Time—TBA
17 Math Growth Monitoring (i-Ready) This Week Gr. 5 & 8 Science Post Test 2/19-3/8	18 Student Holiday Chocolate Sales (2/19-3/26)	19 Lifetouch Spring Picture Day	20 10:30 Citizen of the Month 4:10-5:00 BETA Club Big Apple Night	21 Symphonic Band Pre Eval Festival TCHS 4:30 Boys Basketball Scrimmage @PPE	22	23 Writing Boot Camp
24	25 12:15 High School Visits for Gr. 8	26 District History Fair	27 Gr. 5 Hobe Sound Owl Pellets (in pod) 9:50—10:50, 10:55—11:55	28 Gr. 5 Hobe Sound Owl Pellets (in pod) 9:50—10:50, 10:55—11:55 FBA MS Concert Band Festival—TCHS		