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#### Principal's Corner

On behalf of the administration, faculty and staff, we wish you a Happy New Year. We hope your Winter Break was filled with wonderful moments and memories with family. We know that our school will continue to shine in 2013. It is an honor to work with your children, and your continued support is appreciated. Please look for information regarding middle school classroom activities, exam schedule, History Fair, and upcoming PTO sponsored events. Welcome Back!

Debra Snyder, Principal

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

#### REGISTRATION is NOW OPEN

The application for the 2013-2014 school year is now open. The application window will close on January 31, 2013.

Please tell your friends and family who have eligible children.

#### **Cold Weather Clause**

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

#### **Dress code Outerwear**

Properly fitting cardigans, sweatshirts, sweaters and pullovers in solid blue, gray, white, black and tan are allowed. Small prints in those colors will be permitted. All others will not

be permitted while in the school building.

#### **Palm Pointe Safety Plan Review**

We want all of our PPE families to know that we have met with law enforcement, school security, the fire marshall and the PPE staff to review our existing plans to ensure the safety and security of all our staff and students.

Due to the review, a few small changes were made in procedures to the security of the campus. One which we need all of our families to help with is, if you are on campus for an event or lunch, pleas e be sure to shut the gates behind when you

Please also ensure that your visitor's badge remain visible the entire time you are on campus. Classroom visitation is by appointment only. As always, thank you for your attention to PPE procedures and please know that safety and security is a major concern.

### 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:

**✓** Take Responsibility **✓**Engage in Your Learning **✓**Act Respectfully **✓**Make Safe Choices **Dates and Times for Citizen of the Month Award Ceremonies:** 

1/30, 2/21, 3/20, 4/24, 5/29

All assemblies are at 10:00am in the Audeteria. Parents & family members can report directly to the Audeteria. Congratulations to all!

#### **December Citizens of the Month**

Kindergarten: Kelsey Roselli, Camrin Weeks, Alexia Morgan, Samuel Perez, Maiara Leandro, Ryan Papesh, Kiana Gutierrez-Gorfido, Cali Keefer

Grade: Kai Boxer, Kenzie Kemerson, Jordyn Bush, Bridline Aurelien, Kimberly Joseph, Brianna Sylvain, Kendall Lopez, Nicolas Tovar

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Elias Ward, Taylor Bush, Olivia Gust, Anna Barnhart, Tara Hall, Saurina Etienne-Salomon, Cristian Arvelo, Jacob West

**Grade:** Ethan Griffith, Noah Wasserman-Tapias, Cristian Azcona, Heather Bravo, Michael Zich, Brenda Vargas, Joshua Sherman, Isabella Favata 4th Grade: Traive Martinez, Bailey Brown, Townes Pagano, Ty Dargis, Madison Baker, Lindsay Yust, Tindra Jofors, Jessie DeGarmo, Aldric Ward, Gabriella Lawrence

<u>5<sup>th</sup> Grade:</u> Roger Serrano, Jacqueline Jaimes, Nicole Vargas, Jesiahs Flores, Garrett Rodney, Karina Sanchez, Tomas Sucharski, Sarah Wouters, Jordan Cuff, Pablo DeGracia

' <u>Grade:</u> Cole Ehrsam, Tiffany Coronel, Juliane Alba, Annalisa Albert, Gregory Guilcapi, Judith Darville, Laila Dib, Justin-Tyler Inigo

Grade: Mario Vergara, Rachalle Nehmeh, Gabrielle Jimenez, Aiden Rivera, Amanda Dehaven, Zane Boyle, Jordyn DiSavino, Gina Carvelli, Neil Roy

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Logan Henik, Arthur Waddell, Katlyn McCue, Aaron Hernandez, Miranda Caruso, Julia Sessa, Jessica Fouts, Stephen Lepore, Serena Williams

#### Celebrate Literacy Week

Celebrate Literacy Week will be from January 21 -25. Although we celebrate literacy everyday here at PPE, this will be a special week with many fun literacy events occurring. PPE will Drop everything and Read each day from 3:30-3:50 PM. Students will also be participating in author and book studies in their classrooms throughout the week.

Monday (1/21) MLK - Holiday for All

Tuesday (1/22) - Gently used children's book exchange during lunch time

Wednesday (1/23) - Gently used children's book exchange during lunch time

Thursday (1/24) - 2nd Annual Literacy and Linguini Night, 5:30 - 7:00 PM. Featuring a gently used adult book exchange, visits with storybook characters, student performances, free books, and dinner. Additional details coming soon!

Friday (1/25) - School-wide reading buddies

#### Science Fair

Congratulations to all of our elementary science fair participants. There were so many great projects. It was so hard to pick. The following students will have their projects represent our school at the Elementary Display during the District Science Fair in February:

3rd grade: Ms. Palomino

Kyle Sostre, Elyse Bailey, Jonathan Baker, Kate Barcelona, Braylen Lopez & Nicole Beltran

4th Grae: Ms. Robinson

Lamar Freckleton, Loudney Aurelien, Stephanie Velesco & Calvin Kirk

4th grade: Ms. Joie

Ashley Coronec, Aidan Schang, Preston Kuffner, Olivia Scott & Maya Smith 4th grade: Ms. Stone

Anthony Marlowe, Kamryn Eno, Alice DeGracia, Justin Cruz & Zandryn Epan-Ramos

5th grade: Berlinger-Paupeck David Zepeda, Tyler Thomas, Jessica Lee & Jaden Meizinger,

5th Grade: Hudson-Powers

Anthony D'Ampolo, Nicole Vargas, Damita Gonzalez & Emma Cimperman,

5th Grade: Herrera

Hena Malik, Kai Rivera, Danyel Ferraz & Jaden Singh

Congratulations to the following middle school students for their great work in our Palm Pointe Science Fair. These Students will have opportunity to compete in the district science fair in February.

Tucker Adams, Michael Smythe, Enzo Ampuero, Angela Arvelo, Cassie Kirk, Faris Qubain, Aishwarya Kalluri, Liam Martinez, Shayna Caldwell, Reilly Jones, Sara Campbell, Carley Murray, Kaylie MacGregor and Tiffany Coronel.

#### **PTO NEW**

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Welcome back, we hope everyone enjoyed their winter break.

Our first PTO meeting of the New Year is January 9th at 8:30 in the Launch Pad.

Thank you to all our Palm Pointe parents for their assistance during our Annual Holiday Shoppe. Everyone had a wonderful time. Thanks to all of our shoppers for participating.

The PTO has made a \$250 contribution toward the MLK Float for the MLK Parade to honor

Dr. King. Hope to see you there.

A fun filled Family Meal is planned on January 18, 2013 at BOB EVANS in St. Lucie West. This event is ongoing from 6:00am (yes **A.M.**) to 9:30pm. You can enjoy breakfast, lunch and dinner. Please remember you MUST bring the **FLYER in order for Palm Pointe to receive credit.** 

Parents and Guardians ...... Insufficient Funds Checks

"Due to the volume of uncollectible checks that the district receives, the Palm Pointe School has contracted with checXchange<sup>TM</sup> for the electronic collection of checks returned NSF (insufficient funds).

The District will gladly accept your checks. When you provide a check as payment, you authorize us either to use information from the check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your account or to process the payment as a check transaction. You authorize us to collect a fee through an electronic fund transfer from your account if your payment is returned unpaid.

All checks that are currently past due will also be recovered through this process if not paid in full by the start date the New Year.

Please include the following on your check: Full Name, Street Address
Phone Numbers

If there are any questions, please contact customer service at 877-343-1823

# Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Events "Reaching Beyond the Dream"

Please come out and support our students in the various activities planned to honor the work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in January 2013. For more details and additional events to be held in St. Lucie County this month visit: www.slcmlk-cc.com

Jan. 11-18- Week of Kindness

Jan. 12-MLK Essay and Oratorical Contest Jan. 21- MLK Parade Jan. 18- MLK Spelling Bee @ CAMoore

Every Friday only is Spirit Day.

## January

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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Independent Day 12 Month Holiday	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 11 Month Employees Return to Work	31				