Principal's Corner

WOW! It is December and your children will be busy learning and growing while participating in some holiday fun. Please see 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. Everyone ROCKS at PPE.

Debra Snyder, Principal

Annual School Status Report

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) requires that school districts provide parents with an annual school status report at the beginning of each school year. To meet this requirement, school reports must be made available to the public. The Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) has posted these reports containing data for the required indicators at:

http://doeweb.prd doe.state.fl.us/eds/ichbspar/index.cfm

The application for the 2015-2016 school year is now open. The application window will close on January 31, 2015.

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 Education
✓ Act Respectfully
✓ Make Safe Choices

Dates and Times for Citizen of the Month Award Ceremonies:

12/12/11, 2/18, 3/18, 4/22, 5/13

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

Kindergartener:
Aidan Massman, Allen Stanley, Elijah Rivas, Galaia Hood, Jasmine Kelly, Parisi Torkaman, Matthew Jones

1st Grade:
Aleahna Decker Perez, Melanie Apostolico, Gavin Lunsford, Aiden Flavin, Collin Barnhart, Victoria Wilson, Chayanna Thompson, David John Oliver, Isaac Uwanawich

2nd Grade:
Juan Felip Beltran, Logan Brancaccio, Elia Colucci, Samuel Tejada, Katherine Lewis, Emily Niekh, Dominic Piscopo, Asia Chuong, Zain Nicholson, Dylan Rodrigues

3rd Grade:
Cooper Kubia, Sebastian Ramos, Dominick Brown, Sophia Cruz, Mason Engler, Kadyn Behringer, Phillip DiMarco, Karla Hawblitzel

4th Grade:
Alexia Manditch, Nathanael Castro, Ryan Inigo, Breanna Hood, Collin Kugele, Gia Villasana, Lucas Padilla

5th Grade:
Zachary Malaney, Kayla Castano, Braylen Lopez, Heather Bravo, Haylynn Tate, Connor Stottlemire, Hugo Calderon

6th Grade:

7th Grade:
Justin Arthur, Joshua Prag, Shafeena Baksh, Jaden Metzinger, Angela Sorolio, Jayson Joseph, Aiden Woodside, Leah Cairns-Shaw, Makalla Sanchez

8th Grade:
Anthony Martens, JD Ducloina, Alex Boulais, Justice Farro, Natasha Mattevi, Alexander Gust, Melanie Persad, Allyson Eno, Madeline Groshowski, Morgan Fritz

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:55pm
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

Look for PPE on Facebook and/or Twitter @PalmPointeK-8. Updates will occur regularly about happenings around the school. Be sure to Like Us on Facebook!

Palm Pointe’s Science Expo

Palm Pointe middle schoolers have been working hard on their STEM (Science) Fair projects that are due December 2nd. They will be displayed in the middle school pods the week of the 2nd and the top ten winners in each pod will be displayed in the middle school pods the week of the 2nd for judging. They will also be displayed at our Palm Pointe STEM Expo night that is planned for December 9.

Invited participants and families will be able to view the projects on display from 5:30 - 6:00. The award ceremony will be from 6:00 - 6:30. Please join us in wishing “Good Luck” to our Future Scientists!

Mark Your Calendar

On Early Release day’s school ends at 2:10pm. The dates for the year are as follows:

12/19, 1/28, 2/25, 3/25, 4/29, 5/20, 6/2, 6/3

PTO News

NO GENERAL MEETING DUE TO THE HOLIDAY SHOPPE.

If you are a school approved volunteer and are able to assist, we will be in the Launch Pad from 9:45-4:00 each day from 12/2-12/9.

Congratulations to: Mrs. Callejas, Mrs. Berger & Mrs. Larsen.

Their classes are the winners of the Box Top contest; each receiving $25 gift cards

Please continue saving those BOX TOPS. There will be another contest.

Your class may be the next winner! We also except ink cartridges for recycling and Labels for Education for our Science & PE Deps.

Shoparoo.com is a quick & easy way to earn for Palm Pointe.

Thank You to all of our Rocket Families for your continued support!

Have a safe Holiday!!

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 6
9:00-11:00 a.m.
Breakfast Served 9:00-10:30 a.m.
Santa Arrives at 9:30 a.m.
Palm Pointe Auditoria

Santa’s exclusive visit to Palm Pointe will be Saturday, December 6. Join us for a Pancake Breakfast, and Holiday Craft Booths.

All breakfast tickets are pre-sale only. Breakfast includes: Pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee or juice

Entertainment by our very own
Dean Estrada & Mrs. Larsen

Student Admission $5.00
Includes Breakfast and 3 activities

Individual Breakfast $5.00

Your prepaid tickets will be available at the door of the event

Bring your own camera. Santa will be available for pictures 9:30-11:00 a.m.
*An adult must supervise their child (ren) while at breakfast and making crafts.
*Holiday Picture Booth- $2.00 per picture All proceeds will benefit our PPE family who lost their home in an electrical fire.

Last day to buy tickets is December 4.
Student Council News
Student Councils are designed to teach students the skills necessary to be effective leaders and give them experiences in applying the democratic processes found in our local, state and federal governments. Participation in an active student council puts children in situations where they will be challenged to apply the skills they have learned in the classroom to plan and carry out council activities and projects. Newly elected 2014-2015 Representatives:

President: Osee Lagrandeur  VP: Venessa Cooper
Treasurer: Christina Wagner  Secretary: Allison Gonzalez

As a student council member, students will serve as a role model in and out of classroom as they work to engage all members of the student body in positive activities and projects that promote service, civic engagement, and school spirit.

National Junior Honor Society
The National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) is a premier organization that recognizes outstanding middle school students who demonstrate excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

National Junior Honor Society Officers are as follows:

President - Amanda Bouquet  Vice President - Amanda Sleight
Treasurer – Brian Avilla  Secretary – Riley Butts

Attendance - Aug. 18-Oct 21
Our school attendance average for the 1st quarter is 95.2%. Students are recognized every quarter for Perfect Attendance. Aim for Perfect Attendance for/with your child/ren. Encourage them to remain in class for the entire day. Let us produce leaders with great attendance.

Perfect Attendance

Sun Wed Sat
1 2 3
4 5 6
7 8 9 Last Day of School
10 11 12 School Wide Tour
13 14 15
16 17 18
19 20 21
22 23 24
25 26 27
28 29 30

McKinney Vento Homeless Act
Every school district has a local homeless education liaison, whose job is to make sure that homeless children and youth can go to school and get all the services they need. I would like that take this opportunity to introduce myself as Andrea Tang. Guidance Counselor who serves as the McKinney Vento Homeless Liaison for Palm Pointe. I am dedicated to ensuring our students who are homeless or become homeless have the same opportunity to be successful in their education.

We currently have 6 students who have been identified as homeless students under the McKinney Vento Act and may direct them to your organization for assistance if needed. If you are aware of other resources or organizations that may be of assistance to our students and families please let me know. I can be reached at 772-345-3248 or Andrea.Tang@stlucieschools.org.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and I look forward to working with you in the future.

Congratulations to the following employees who have been elected as Palm Pointe's winners for staff recognition for the 2014-2015 school year. Jenn Clancy - Teacher of the Year

Kip Wright - Distinguished Minority of the Year

Nicole Charles - Outstanding New Teacher of the Year

Robyn Wyatt -School-Related Employee of the Year

Students return January 7, 2015.