

BOBCAT *february* Bulletin

Palm Valley Academy

Volume 6, Issue 6 — February 2024

Calendar Highlights

- 02/06 SAC Meeting @ 4:00pm
(Library)
- 02/06 Basketball Games
PVA @ POA—AWAY
Girls 5:30 / Boys 6:30
- 02/06 Interims Issued
- 02/07 MS Task Force @ 2:30pm
(Library)
- 02/08 Basketball Games
VRA @ PVA—HOME
Girls 5:30 / Boys 6:30
TAILGATE PARTY 4:15
- 02/13 Basketball Games
MCA @ PVA—HOME
Girls 5:30 / Boys 6:30
- 02/15 Basketball Games
LPA @ PVA—HOME
Girls 5:30 / Boys 6:30
- 02/16 Cheer Camp 5:00 - 8:00
- 02/19 **PRESIDENTS Day**
NO SCHOOL
- 02/20 Basketball Games
PVA @ FCA—AWAY
Girls 5:30 / Boys 6:30
- 02/21 Cheer Informational
Meeting @PVA 6:00
- 02/22 Basketball Games
PIA @ PVA—HOME
Girls 5:30 / Boys 6:30
- 02/23 **GLOW BOLT 5:00 - 7:00**
Middle School Race
- 02/29 Basketball Games
PVA @ VRA—AWAY
Girls 5:30 / Boys 6:30

SAVE THE DATE

- 03/01 **BOBCAT BOLT**
Elementary Race



Bobcat Families,

Please take note of the below committees we are looking to build. One is specific to middle school parents, while the other is for all...

School Advisory Council (SAC) OPEN TO ALL

SAC is a school-based group intended to represent the school, the community, and those persons closest to the students. The group shares responsibility for guiding the school toward continuous improvement. PVA's School Advisory Council meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 4:00pm in the library. Meetings usually last 30-45 minutes and are open to the community. February's meeting will welcome District Representative's Mr. David Morrell and Ms. Katie Barnes to talk school assessment data and where we stack up in the district and the state. We hope to see you at our next meeting February 6th at 4:00pm.

MIDDLE SCHOOL TASK FORCE (Middle School Parents)

PVA's Middle School Task Force is a school-based group of parents, teachers, and administrators. Through open discussion and collaboration, the goal of the group is to build the best Middle School experience for our students and at the same time best prepare for high school. The group meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 2:30pm in the library and welcomes those of you who would like to help us achieve these goals. Our next meeting will be February 7th at 2:30pm.

We look forward to the next few weeks, as we have many sporting events, Valentine grams, and the Bobcat Bolts all coming up— See the following pages for details! Also, yearbook sales are continuing. If you have not yet ordered your yearbook, there is a link and other details located later on in this newsletter. Please purchase your yearbook before they sell out!

Finally, as we continue to have more events and activities at the school, please remember that you must be a cleared volunteer to enter the building. Your status is good for 3 years, so if it has been awhile, please renew. You can apply/renew at <https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/> Also, please always remember to bring a government-issued photo ID when checking in for an event, or when checking a student out of school.

We look forward to a fantastic February full of learning, growing and fun!

Sincerely,

Zach Strom

Principal

COUNSELOR'S CORNER



When to contact us?

If you believe your child is experiencing difficulty at home or at school regarding academic achievement, family changes, social skills, or adjusting to transitions it may be helpful to contact your School Counselor via phone or email.

School Counselors

Ms. Frick K - 2

Ms. Fennelly 3 - 5

Ms. Ferguson 6 - 8



THE 6 PILLARS OF CHARACTER



TRUSTWORTHINESS



RESPECT



RESPONSIBILITY



FAIRNESS



CARING



CITIZENSHIP

FEBRUARY PILLAR OF THE MONTH— CARING



CARING

Be kind • Be compassionate and show you care • Express gratitude • Forgive others • Help people in need • Be charitable and altruistic

At Palm Valley Academy, the St. Johns County Pillars of Character and student leadership are considered to be vitally important to our students' development. Incorporating these practices within our school environment and curriculum helps students become caring contributors to society and equips them for success in the 21st century. Critical skills and characteristics such as: trustworthiness, motivation, problem solving skills, goal setting, personal responsibility and the value of teamwork are embedded throughout the school day.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

January Character Counts Winners



RESPECT



COUNSELOR'S CORNER



RESPECT

Treat others with respect; follow the Golden Rule • Be tolerant and accepting of differences • Use good manners, not bad language • Be considerate of the feelings of others • Don't threaten, hit or hurt anyone • Deal peacefully with anger, insults, and disagreements

Important Information

YEARBOOKS AND A NOTE FOR 8th GRADE GRADS

Yearbooks are still available at a current cost of \$42.

8th grade families- the deadline to purchase 8th grade recognition ads is Feb 14th.

The cost for the 1/8th page space is \$25.

Both yearbooks and 8th grade ads can purchased at

www.buytheyearbook.com School Code **717935**



**CELEBRATE
YOUR STUDENT
WITH A
YEARBOOK AD**



Help spread the **LOVE**
through **PVA!**

From January 29th to February 9th

PVA NJHS and Student Council are selling Heart
Lollipops with Valentine Grams!

All Proceeds will benefit Palm Valley NJHS and Student Council

Valentine Grams will be delivered on **February 14th!**

COST: One gram = \$1/ CLASS SET (22-24 grams) = \$20

Where can you purchase them?

During both middle school lunches or ask your teachers for a form



FORTIFYFL
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING APP
#FORTIFYFL
GETFORTIFYFL.COM
 




Important Information

How to Access the Family Portal



The Family Portal provides a central location for your student's assessment results.

The Family Portal can be used to

- access your student's results for FAST Progress Monitoring testing.
- access prior statewide assessment results.
- print score reports.

How can I access the Family Portal?

- At the Florida Statewide Assessments Portal:
<https://flfast.org/>
- Or at the direct link:
<https://fl-familyportal.cambiumast.com/#/>

What information do I need to log in to the Family Portal?

- Your student's unique 6-digit access code (found in HAC under the Registration tab).
- Your student's date of birth.
- Your student's first name as it appears on their official school record.

What information can I find on the Family Portal?

- Your student's results from Fall 2020 through present
- Your student's Individual Student Reports with interpretative guides.
- Glossary
- FAQs
- Performance Levels

Where do I get the Access Code?

The code can be found in the Home Access Center (HAC) under the Registration tab. The code will be located on the right side of the page under Additional Information.

- **Student scores for PM2 are currently available in the Family Portal.**
- **Families are able to see and print their student's scale score, achievement level, and a bar graph indicating the student's scale score and where it falls in the achievement level.**
- **Access codes for students in grade 3-10 are available in [HAC](#) under the Registration tab.**

Important Information

SSYRA

In the **MEDIA CENTER** we have a student who has finished reading all **15 SSYRA books** for grades 3 to 5.

In 5th Grade
Nora Johnson



Battle of the Books



MARCH 21st, 2024

Literacy Week

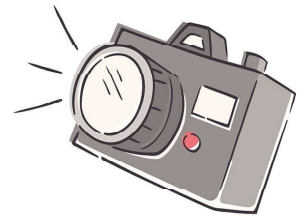
In January we celebrated **LITERACY WEEK!!**

PVA enjoyed a visit from **Jonathan Miller**, author and illustrator of **The Adventures of Sammy** series.



Selfies with your Shelfie

If you're in the building, walk by the media center to check out the pictures from **"Selfies with your Shelfie"** day!



HAVE YOU MOVED?



For address changes, complete **Student Change of Address Form** and submit with required documents. This completed form, along with the required documents, must be submitted to the school within 14 days upon moving.

6th GRADE PARENTS



The Tdap immunization is required for all 7th graders.

Proof of this immunization on the DH 680 Form can be brought to the front office, faxed (904-547-4205), or emailed to (Mary.Dominguez@stjohns.k12.fl.us) even if your student is still in 6th grade. Please do this as soon as your child receives their shot. Per district policy, all 7th grade students are required to submit an updated DH 680 form to include Tdap, prior to the start of 7th grade.

Elementary Art Highlights



BUBBLE MAILERS NEEDED ASAP!

HELP THE ELEMENTARY ART ROOM WITH BUBBLE MAILER DONATIONS

Elementary Art is collecting used bubble mailers. These will be used for securely transporting clay projects at the end of the year!



School Events

PVA Middle School

GLOW



BOLT

February 23rd, 5-7pm

SAVE THE DATE

FOR THE

**ELEMENTARY K-5
BOBCAT BOLT!**

KICKOFF

2/22

EVENT DAY

3/1



MYBOOSTER.COM

CLASS OF 2031 5TH
GRADE PROMOTION
CEREMONY

**MAY
21
2024**

5:30-7:00pm
PVA Cafeteria

MORE INFO TO COME!

SAVE THE DATE

Middle School Events



Who: 6th grade students

What/Where: Wild Adventures Field Trip

When: Friday April 5, 2024 / 7:00am – 8:00pm

Cost \$120 (bus, admission and lunch included)

Payment Deadline March 1, 2004

**** All field trips can be found and paid for in School Pay on our website ****



Who: 7th grade students

What/Where: Sea World Adventure

When: Friday April 26, 2004 / 6:00am-8:00pm

Cost:

Bus only (if you have an annual pass)	\$85
Bus and ticket	\$125.00
Lunch option - One Time Dining	\$20.00
Lunch option - All Day Dining	\$40.00

Payment Deadline March 8, 2004



Who: 8th grade students

What/Where: Grad Night at Bush Gardens

When: Friday May 10, 2024 from 12:30pm – 3:30am

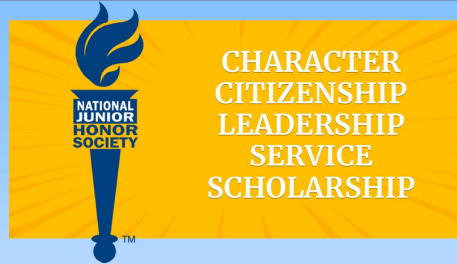
Cost: \$175 (bus, admission, t-shirt and dinner voucher included)

Payment Deadline: April 19, 2024

NEW DUE DATES FOR PAYMENT DEADLINES!!!!

**** All field trips can be found and paid for in School Pay on our website ****

Middle School Events



NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

NJHS applications for 7th-grade students will be available mid-February and students interested in applying should see Mrs. Stofko in room 617 for the application or go to the PVA [website](#) and download it.

Sponsor: [Ms. Stofko](#)



Middle School Athletics

FEBRUARY



February 6th PVA @ POA—Away

February 8th VRA @ PVA—Home

February 13th MCA @ PVA—Home

February 15th LPA @ PVA—Home

February 20th PVA @ FCA—Away

February 22nd PIA @ PVA—Home

February 29th PVA @ VRA—Away

JV Team Nocatee (PVA/PIA/VRA) Practices on
Wednesdays 3 to 4 PM @NOC Courts

VARSITY Team Nocatee Practices on
Wednesdays 4 to 5 PM @NOC Courts

TENNIS



GOLF

Practices @ Palm Valley
Matches @ Palencia Golf Course
(combined team with PIA)



BASEBALL

Practices on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays
3:30 to 5:30 PM @ Cornerstone Park



SOFTBALL

Season Dates: 03/01/2024 to 05/31/2024



Middle School Athletics



SJMSAA

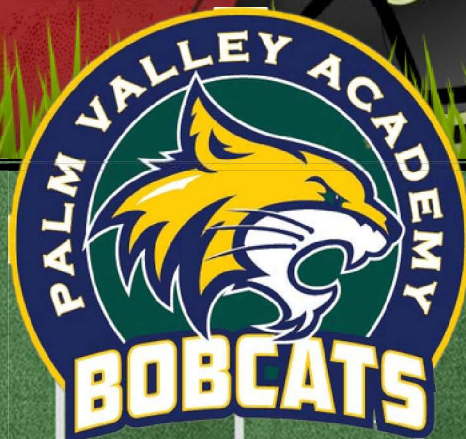
OPEN TO ALL RISING 6TH - 8TH
GRADE STUDENT ATHLETES

JUNIOR VARSITY & VARSITY TEAMS

TACKLE FOOTBALL
REGISTRATION OPEN NOW

- 2024 SEASON -

Register @ sjmsaa.org/football



Middle School Athletics



SCAN TO REGISTER
Tryout Fee \$35

CHEER TRYOUTS

2024-2025 Season

March 28, 4:00-6:00 pm
@ PVA Gym



Informational Meeting
Wednesday, Feb 21, 6pm
@ PVA Cafeteria

TRYOUT CLINICS

Mon	Tue	Wed
3/25	3/26	3/27
3:45-5:45	4:00-6:00	3:30-5:30

@ PVA Gym

AROUND PVA

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!



BASKETBALL **Cheer Camp**

Friday, February 16
5:00 - 8:00 pm @ PVA Gym

PARENT PERFORMANCE: 8pm

REGISTRATION FEE:
\$75 per camper

◆ INCLUDES T-SHIRT, BOW,
POMS, AND PIZZA DINNER ◆

Register by January 31 to ensure
your camper receives a t-shirt

OPEN TO ALL K-5TH KIDS!

- Parents' Night Out!
- Cheer, stunt & tumble with the PVA Cheerleaders & Coaches
- Learn & perform basketball cheers, chants, and dance
- Opportunity for 5th graders to learn about upcoming 2024-2025 PVA Cheer tryouts



GAME DAY PERFORMANCE:

Feb 22 @ PVA during PVA Basketball halftime

- K-2nd perform @ halftime during PVA Girls game
- 3rd-5th perform @ halftime during PVA Boys game

**SCAN TO
REGISTER**



AROUND PVA

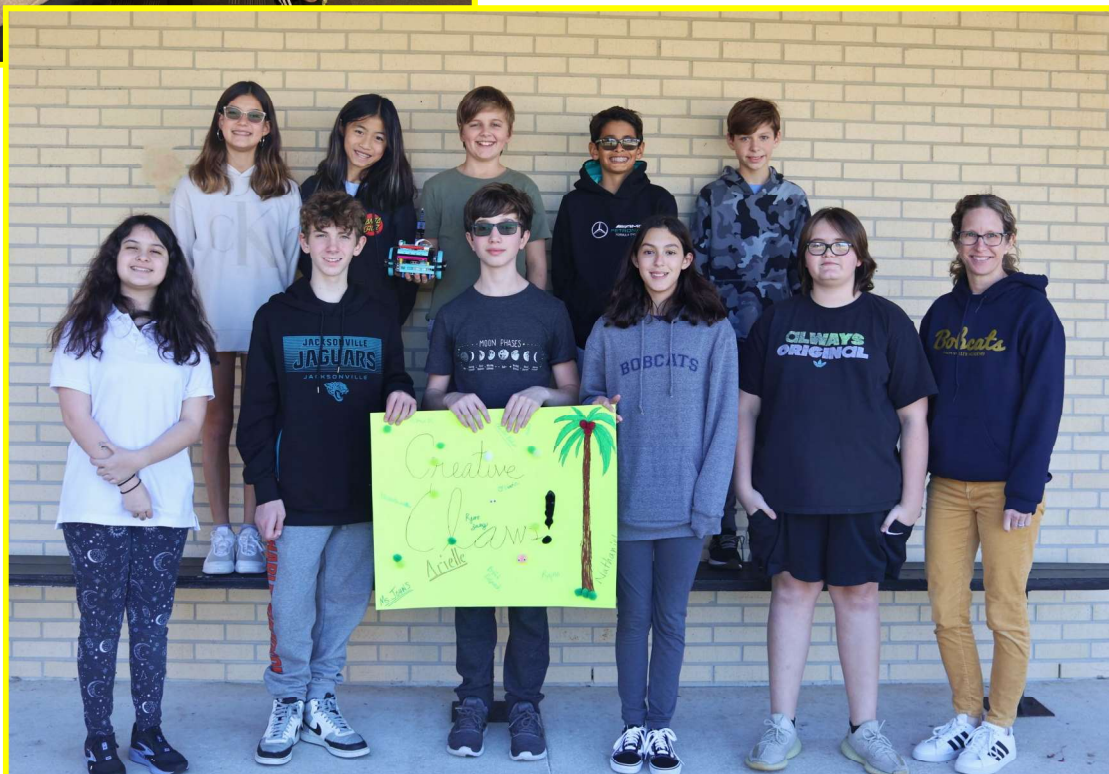


PALM VALLEY ACADEMY
BOBCATS



PVA ROBOTICS

Our elementary and middle school robotics teams placed in the top 5 teams in St Johns County schools and both advanced to the regional competition. The elementary team won the *"Breakthrough Award"* and the middle school team won the *"Rising All-star Award"*.



BOBCATS

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St. Johns County
Public Library System

FEBRUARY 6, 2024

ST JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION
ESE PARENT ADVISORY

WELCOMES GUEST SPEAKER

ALEX BARR
COMMUNITY OUTREACH MANAGER,
ST. JOHNS COUNTY
PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

FOR A PRESENTATION ON:

“Literacy Beyond Boundaries”

**Exploring Free Resources Available to
St. Johns County Residents: Tutoring, E-
books, Language Courses, Summer
Reading Programs, Bookmobile & More**

Join on your computer or mobile app via link below

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only) 904-420-0831

Phone Conference ID: 899 400 801#

ST JOHNS COUNTY
SCHOOL DISTRICT



**THERE'S
SOMETHING
FOR EVERYONE
AT YOUR
PUBLIC
LIBRARY**

2/6/2024

This meeting will
be held via
Microsoft Teams
platform

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

FROM THE PTO

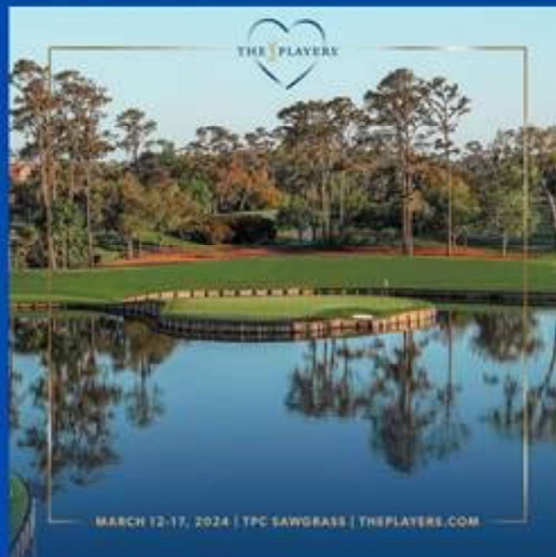
[The Players Championship](#) at Sawgrass is right around the corner starting March 12th through March 17th! This is an amazing fun event for the whole family and they have a great fundraising opportunity and super easy way to support PVA. If you buy your tickets using the below Chip In for Charity Link and enter our unique code, [885MBB](#), PVA will receive \$40 for every ticket sold!! So go enjoy some golf and support PVA!!!

Thank you as always for your continued support!



SUPPORT THE PVA PTO WITH
EVERY TICKET PURCHASED TO
THE PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Visit www.theplayers.com/chip-in
Use Code 885MBB to support PVA



2023-2024 PARTNERS IN EDUCATION



Heroes



Champions



Supporters



In Kind

