

PVA: View from the Valley

Palm Valley Academy: Weeks of 5/12 – 5/26

Dear PVA Families,

On behalf of everyone at Palm Valley Academy, I want to start off by extending heartfelt wishes for a very Happy Mother's Day to all the incredible mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers, and maternal figures out there in our community.

Mother's Day is a special time to honor and celebrate the love, sacrifices, and unwavering support that mothers provide every day. Whether you are a biological mom, an adoptive mom, a foster mom, or someone who takes on a similar role in a child's life, your influence and care make a profound impact on our children and families.

To all the mothers in our community, we recognize and appreciate the dedication, patience, and love you pour into shaping the lives of our future leaders. Your strength and resilience inspire us all.

Let's take this opportunity to show our gratitude and express our love to the remarkable women in our lives. May the rest of your day and week be filled with joy, laughter, and memorable moments with your loved ones.

Happy Mother's Day!

-PVA



It seems like just yesterday that I was beginning my first year as Principal at Palm Valley Academy, eagerly opening the arrival gates and enthusiastically welcoming hundreds of excited, smiling, and ready-to-learn children for the first day of school. As we now approach the final two of weeks of the year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect, express gratitude, and share some important updates and reminders with you.

First, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your continuous support, trust, and collaboration throughout this academic year. Your involvement in your child's education has been both invaluable and instrumental in helping to establish the thriving and vibrant learning environment and community that is Palm Valley Academy.

As we approach the end of the school year, here are a few important points to keep in mind:

End-of-Year Celebrations: We have planned various end-of-year celebrations and activities to commemorate our students' achievements and hard work. Please refer to the school calendar or communication from your child's teacher, or administration for specific details and timings. As a reminder, ALL volunteers and visitors must be a previously approved and cleared.

School Closure and Summer Break: The last day of school is Friday, May 24th and it is an early release (1:50pm dismissal). We will provide information regarding any end-of-year procedures or materials that need to be returned. We wish all our students a safe and enjoyable summer break filled with fun and relaxation.

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Gratitude to Families: Your support, encouragement, and involvement in your child's education throughout this year has made a significant difference. Thank you for entrusting us with your student's learning journey and for being active participants in their academic and personal growth.

Looking Ahead: As we conclude this school year, we are already looking forward to the exciting opportunities and experiences that the next academic year will bring. Communications for next year will begin rolling out the first week of July. Stay tuned for updates and important announcements regarding the upcoming 2024-2025 school year.

Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions, concerns, or need clarification on any matter related to the end of the school year.

Thank you once again for being part of our school community. Let's celebrate these final weeks together and be grateful for all the memories we've created this year.

Gratefully,

Zach Strom
Principal
Palm Valley Academy

INFO FOR ALL (K-8)

ATTENTION RISING MS (6-8) STUDENTS! UPDATED ELECTIVE FORMS DUE 5/15!!!!

After finalizing PVA's 2024-2025 staffing budget and plan, we are excited to announce the expansion of our middle school elective opportunities for all students. For this reason, last week we sent out a second elective form to be completed by families and returned to your student's 1st Period teacher by this Wednesday, May 15th, 2024. ALL STUDENTS NEED TO RESUBMIT THEIR ELECTIVE CHOICES! These forms can also be found on our PVA Website [HERE](#).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THIS WEEKS PBIS CARNIVAL!!!

Volunteers are need for the PBIS Carnival this Tuesday and Wednesday on campus. There are plenty of available times if your able and willing to come help! Volunteers will be helping support the PBIS celebration by managing the various activity booths and carnival games. Thank you for supporting the students and the school as we celebrate their positive behavior throughout the school year! [SIGN UP BY CLICKING HERE!](#)

Tuesday, May 14th			Wednesday, May 15th		
	Character Counts Winners	ALL Students		Character Counts Winners	Whole Grade Level
5 th	8:50-9:05	9:05-9:50	MS	8:45-9:45	*ALL ACCESS AND CC STUDENTS ONLY
2 nd	10:10-10:25	10:25-11:10	1 st	9:50-10:05	10:05-10:50
3 rd	11:20-11:35	11:35-12:20	K	11:00-11:15	11:15-12:00
4 th	12:30-12:45	12:45-1:30			

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PARENT INPUT FORMS (K-4)

We spend a lot of time creating elementary classes & middle school master schedules for our students. We truly believe that finding that right match and creating the opportunity for a solid relationship between a student and a teacher is the basis for a successful school year. We want you to know that throughout the process, we discuss each child individually and strive to make that best match. We cannot promise that we do not make any mistakes, but we do want you to know that many hours are spent on this process, and we do our very best for each of your children. Please know, we do not take teacher requests. However, if you would like the opportunity to share your child's specific needs and the type of teacher that you feel they need, please complete this form by the last day of school, Friday, May 24th. [Complete the parent input form for your student HERE!](#)

MIDDLE SCHOOL PE CLASSES (6-8)

As we approach the end of the year, please note that we are no longer dressing out for PE. Instead, classes will meet in the gymnasium daily, unless otherwise noted. Coaches will be taking this into account when planning activities, especially considering the increasing temperatures as we near summer.

PVA SUMMER BASKETBALL CAMPS

This summer, the PVA Boys Basketball Coaches are offering multiple sessions of Summer Basketball Camp. The camp is at PVA and for students going into grades 3-8. Campers can enroll now for an exciting week of Skill Work, Games, and Individualized Player Development. Check out the flyer for more information!

PVA SUMMER BASKETBALL CAMP

JULY 15-18 (SKILLS & DRILLS PT. 1)
JULY 22-26 (SHOOTING & SCORING)
JULY 29 - AUG 1 (SKILLS & DRILLS PT.2)

3RD-5TH / 8AM-11AM
6TH-8TH / 12PM-3PM

HOSTED BY PVA BASKETBALL COACHES
RANSOM SCHULZ & JACKSON SCHULZ

JOIN US FOR AN EXCITING WEEK OF SKILL WORK, GAMES, AND INDIVIDUALIZED PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE
\$150/PER SESSION

REGISTER:
PAYPAL- PONTE VEDRA BASKETBALL CLUB
(NAME/GRADE/DATE ATTENDING)
OR EMAIL-
PONTEVEDRABASKETBALLCLUB@GMAIL.COM

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PVA CROSS COUNTRY INFO MEETING – 5/16 @ 6:15PM

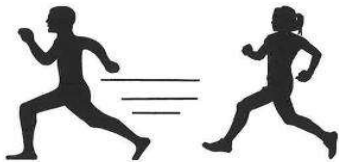
**PALM VALLEY ACADEMY
CROSS COUNTRY CLUB 2024**

**RIISING 6TH, 7TH, 8TH GRADE STUDENTS
AND PARENTS.**

**JOIN US THURSDAY MAY 16TH
PVA CAFETERIA
6:15PM TO 7:00 PM**

**MEET THE COACHES
LEARN ABOUT PLANS FOR THE FALL SEASON
PARTICIPATION REQUIRMENTS
RECEIVE SUMMER RUNNING PROGRAM**

GET FURTHER INFO AND REGISTER BELOW-
<https://forms.office.com/r/y5h0mwtaSG>



PVA Middle School Cross Country
Club - Permission Form and
Student Information



NEASE GIRL'S LACROSSE SUMMER CAMP

**Nease Girl's Lacrosse
Summer Camp 2024**

- 8:30-11:30
- June 10-13
- July 8-11
- \$175 per week
 - discount for multiweek/siblings
- For girls going into grades 5-9!
- Free pinnie for signing up!
- Run by Nease lacrosse coaches, players, and alum!

- girls must have a stick and goggles to participate!



<https://forms.office.com/r/lBQ3haV4y> to sign up or email
neasegirlslacrosse@gmail.com with any questions!


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ALL THINGS 5TH GRADE- END OF THE YEAR

YOU ARE INVITED TO

**PALM VALLEY ACADEMY
5TH GRADE PROMOTION
CEREMONY**



TUESDAY, MAY 21ST
5:30-7:00PM
PVA CAFETERIA

CAKE RECEPTION TO FOLLOW
LIMIT 2 GUESTS TOTAL PER STUDENT DUE
TO SPACE CONSTRAINTS

RSVP ON THE SIGNUP GENIUS LINK

Event Schedule:

5:00PM-5:15PM
5:15PM-5:30PM
5:30PM-7:00PM

Students Arrive
Doors Open for Check-in
Promotion Ceremony

Ticket Details:

- Each student is ALLOTTED only **2** tickets for seats. Additional guests may be admitted to Standing Room Only area IF space allows (Admin. discretion)
- Standing Room Only area is VERY limited and NOT guaranteed (again, admittance at Admin. discretion)
- Children <2 yrs. do NOT require a ticket, **but must remain on an adults lap**
- 5th Grade Students do NOT require a ticket
- There is NO COST for tickets
- Guest will enter the cafe doors facing the parking lot

Attire for this event is business casual/Sunday best

5th Grade Celebration

**Wednesday, May 22nd
9:00am – 12:00pm**



*Escape
To Middle School*

PVA 5TH GRADE
CELEBRATION

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22ND

TACO LUNCH, DJ, PHOTO
BOOTH, CANDY BAR, GAMES,
MISTER SOFTEE ICE CREAM!

BRING A TOWEL TO SIT ON OUTSIDE

*Let's celebrate our way to
Middle School!*

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ALL THINGS 8TH GRADE- END OF THE YEAR

8th Grade Parents

**DON'T FORGET TO WRITE
YOUR STUDENT THEIR
8th GRADE GOLD LETTER!**



DEADLINE IS FRIDAY 5/17

DON'T DELAY!



PALM VALLEY ACADEMY
700 Bobcat Lane
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32081
904.547.4200 ♦ 904.547.4205 Fax

April 20, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to announce a new tradition for our 8th graders here at PVA called "8th Grade Gold Letters." As your child approaches their graduation, we believe it's important to celebrate their achievements and provide them with words of encouragement and congratulations as they transition to the next chapter of their lives.

We kindly ask that each family participate by submitting a sealed letter addressed to your child by May 12th. You have the freedom to make this letter as long or as short as you'd like, and it can be typed or handwritten—whichever feels most personal to you. This letter will be a cherished keepsake for your child, filled with your heartfelt sentiments and support.

Mail or bring letters to Palm Valley Academy by May 12th to ensure your child receives the letter at the 8th grade breakfast.
Please DO NOT send packages as we have limited storage space available

Drop off in the front office, OR mail your letters to:

PVA
Attn: Child's First and Last name
700 Bobcat Lane
Ponte Vedra, FL 32081

One last request, please ensure that these "Gold Letters" remain a secret, as they will be kept confidential until they are distributed at the 8th grade breakfast the morning of graduation. We want this to be a surprise that brings them added joy and warmth in the moment and leaves them feeling loved and celebrated as they embark on this important milestone in their lives.

Event Schedule:

5:00PM-5:15PM Student Arrival
5:15PM-6:00PM Doors Open for Check-in
6:00PM-7:30PM 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony

Ticket Details:

- Each student is initially given 3 tickets to reserve (You do not have to reserve all 3)
- Children <2 yrs old do not require a ticket **but must sit in a lap.**
- Initial ticket reservations ARE NOW CLOSED
- If there are additional tickets available, families will be allowed to reserve 1 additional ticket (while supplies last) beginning 5/15. Details forthcoming.
- **Additional tickets are very limited and NOT guaranteed.**
- All ticket reservations close May 17 at midnight.
- Transfer of tickets between students is allowed; however, the party who is giving the ticket away must email pva8graduation@gmail.com to notify the coordinators of the new recipient. Otherwise, the ticket count at check-in for each student will be incorrect and the intended party will not have their ticket.

Palm Valley Academy
Presents!
**8th Grade
Graduation
Ceremony!**
THURSDAY, MAY 23RD
6PM
Nease High School Auditorium
Business Casual Attire
3 tickets per student
More information coming soon.....

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PTO HAPPENINGS (ALL GRADES)

- Come join us this **Wednesday @ 9:00am** in the Café for the final general PTO meeting of the year. Listen and learn about all the new volunteer opportunities and committee positions available next year and all the exciting things to come in 2024-2025! We will also be presenting and voting on the new budget for the 2024-2025 school year.
- Order next year's school supplies by July 1st and get ahead! See the flyer below!



THIS WEEK' DATES OF NOTE

- Monday, May 13th
 - Grade 5 MATH F.A.S.T.
- Tuesday, May 14th
 - MS MATH F.A.S.T.
 - School Carnival – Grades 2, 3, 4, and 5
- Wednesday, May 15th
 - PTO General Meeting @ 9:00am
 - 3rd Grade Living Wax Museum
 - School Carnival – Grades K, 1, and MS
- Thursday, May 16th
 - Grade 5 SCIENCE F.A.S.T.
 - PVA CROSS COUNTRY CLUB INFO MEETING
- Friday, May 17th
 - MS Algebra/Geometry EOC (GYM)

NEXT WEEK'S DATES OF NOTE

- Monday, May 20th
 - 8th Grade SCIENCE F.A.S.T.
 - Staff vs. Student Basketball Game (MS) @1:30pm
- Tuesday, May 21st
 - 5th Grade Ceremony in Café @ 5:30 – 7:00pm
- Wednesday, May 22nd
 - 5th Grade Celebration Day
- Thursday, May 23rd
 - 8th Grade Breakfast and Send-Off
 - 8th Grade Ceremony @ Nease from 6:00 – 7:30pm
- Friday, May 24th
 - Early Dismissal @ 1:50pm
 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! YOU'VE DONE IT!

****ENJOY YOUR SUMMER!****