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Palm Valley Academy Bobcat Families,

Hello Bobcats and Happy Summer! I hope all of you are having a fantastic break filled with memorable trips, plenty of sun at the pool and/or beach, and of course...sleeping in. While these summer months allow us to rest and recover a bit and spend precious time making memories with our own families, I'd be remiss if I did not say that we miss all our students. The classrooms are empty and the halls are eerily quiet... its just not the same without the smiles and laughter. I speak for everyone in saying we're excited to welcome everyone back soon and look forward to an amazing new school year.

With the start of school only weeks away and quite a bit of information to share, I've created a series of communications focused on different "Big Rocks" here at PVA, along with important upcoming dates of note. These communications, along with any other pertinent information that becomes available will be sent out each Monday through July. Please continue to visit our website as everything I send will be added to the Communication section of the PVA Homepage - <https://www-pva.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>. Each week's focus of information is as follows:

- July 1, 2024 - General Welcome and Immediate Information
- July 8, 2024 - PVA Upcoming Events and PTO/Volunteer Information
- July 15, 2024 - All Things Logistical and Operational
- July 22, 2024 - Official Welcome Back and PVA Day 1/Week 1

**Upcoming Dates:**

- 7/15-7/17 Kindergarten Screeners (See attachment for sign-up and additional info)
- 7/24 Kindergarten Social (See attachment for sign-up and additional info)
- 7/31 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation (See attachment for sign-up and additional info)
- 8/1 Kindergarten staggered start information and sign-up will be sent via email
- 8/7 All elementary families will receive an email from their child's assigned teacher
- 8/8 Middle school schedule available in HAC
- 8/8 Kindergarten Meet the Teacher from 5pm-6pm
- 8/8 Staggered Elementary Meet the Teacher:
  - 8:00am-9:00am for Last Names = A-J
  - 9:30am-10:30am for Last Names = K-R
  - 11:00am-12:00pm for Last Names = S-Z
- Staggered Middle School Walk Your Schedule:
  - 12:30pm-1:00pm for Last Names = A-J
  - 1:30pm-2:00pm for Last Names = K-R
  - 2:30pm-3:00pm for Last Names = S-Z
- 8/12 First Day of School 😊
- 8/12-8/15 Kindergarten Staggered Start (sign-up using link in the 8/1 email)
- 8/16 First Full Day for Kindergarten Classes



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### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

#### **Access to the School:**

Whether you are attending a conference with the teacher in person, volunteering in the classroom/events, escorting your kindergartener to class on their first official day of school, joining us for a presentation/celebration, and/or attending a field trip, you must have completed the **School Access Form: Volunteer Application**. This is a district policy and there are no exceptions. We truly do not like to turn families away, so please complete and submit the application by following the link: <https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/>

#### **Meet and Greet:**

This is your time to “Meet the Teacher” and get acquainted with the PVA campus. We will follow the provided staggered schedule to accommodate all families in our hallways and parking areas. During this event, students will walk the building, meet their teacher(s) and drop off any school supplies they’d like to bring. Representatives from Transportation, Food Service, School Clinic, Extended Day, and other areas of service will be onsite and available to answer questions.

We look forward to seeing everyone soon. In the meantime, please enjoy making memories with your families during these last few weeks of summer!!!

Be Well,  
Zach

Zachary R. Strom  
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