A View from the Valley

Palm Valley Academy: Week of 10/15 - 10/18

Dear PVA Families,

It may be a short week coming up, but there are A LOT of happenings in the near future. I'll be as brief as possible, but when time allows, please take a moment to review the information, reminders, and upcoming events below.

Sincerely,

Mr. Strom

<u>PVA Vision Statement</u> Building purposeful leaders where everyone shines through achievement.

> We <u>P</u>ursue Excellence. We <u>V</u>alue All. We <u>A</u>chieve Success.

> > We are PVA!

INFO FOR ALL (K-8)

An Important Community Meeting

For this month's PTO meeting on October 16th @ 6:00pm, join us in the cafeteria and come hear SJCSD Officials deliver an informative presentation on why the two referendums on this November's ballot are critical to our schools and how they both will directly affect all of us. See the flyer below!

FALL FESTIVAL CANDY DRIVE AND TRUNK-or-Treat! THIS WEEKEND!

PVA's Fall Festival CANDY DRIVE is in full swing! Help us prepare for this month's Fall Festival (Oct. 20th) and specifically the Trunk-or-Treat event. We lost days collecting last week due to the hurricane and we need to make up some missed ground! Last year, this was our biggest and most successful event at PVA and we need your help doing it again!

During arrival over the next couple weeks you may spot a *Monster* or two along the pathways. Please do not fret though, these guys are harmless and friendly IF we keep them fed! You see, these 'monsters' have quite the sweet tooth and would LOVE nothing more than a big, unopened bag or two of candy being fed to them

as students arrive. If you'd like to feed a monster or two, <u>write the name of your child's homeroom</u> <u>teacher on a candy bag</u> and place it inside their mouths when passing by. These guys will be at various points of arrival each morning and will remain on campus in the hallways throughout the day. They will be VERY MUCH APPRECIATIVE of the donations as will all of us at PVA. Thank you for the ongoing support and help in building what's shaping up to be an amazing community event later this month. The class with the most candy bags donated will win a donut party!



Speaking of Trunk-or-Treat, SIGN UP FOR YOUR SPOT HERE! Limited availability!



A Message of Safety from Deputy Wilson

Hey Parents and Friends of Bobcats everywhere! Please help us keep our students safe. As your school's assigned Deputy, I must ask that everyone please the protocols established for our campus and beyond. There is no perfect solution for everyone, but what is done helps us safely move well over a thousand students and staff, plus buses and cars each day.

- Low Speed Vehicles MUST have a Florida tag and be insured (just like an automobile) if you wish to drive them on campus.
- Golf carts are NOT permitted anywhere on campus but the golf cart loop.
- E-bikes and scooters are being operated in a hazardous manner. They are too fast and hard to hear when they are overtaking walkers and other bikers. Before there is a serious injury, we would like to ask parents please remind or instruct your child on the proper operation and bicycle laws they must follow. On a multi-use pathway, pedestrians will have the right of way.
- Bicyclists, scooter and skateboard operators must wear a protective helmet at all times.

Thank you so much for complying with these necessary reminders. As a parent, I understand how hard it can be to balance life's daily challenges, but we must keep a safety-first mindset. If I can be of any assistance or need clarity on any topic, please let me know.

Stay safe Bobcats! Deputy Wilson

PTO HAPPENINGS (ALL GRADES)

- Bookfair has been extended until Oct. 21st. There is a parent night on Wed. 10/16 from 4:00-6:00pm. See you there!
- PTO Meeting this month is a joint meeting with SAC on Wednesday, October 16th @ 6:00pm. The meeting will include a district presentation on the referendums you will see on the November ballot as well as, a district presentation on a great new program we are implementing to empower our students and build leaders for the future! See the flyer below and JOIN US! THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS, NOT JUST PVA FAMILIES. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO PROMOTE USING THE BELOW FLYER AND EXTEND THE INVITE TO ALL THOSE INTERESTED IF YOU'D LIKE TO DO SO.

UPCOMING DATES OF NOTE:

- Monday, October 14th
 - NO SCHOOL TEACHER PLANNING DAY
- <u>Tuesday, October 15th</u>
 - MS VOLLEYBALL AWAY @ MCA (Girls at 5:30pm and boys to follow)
- Wednesday, October 16th
 - UNITY DAY! WEAR ORANGE!
 - PTO BOOK FAIR PARENT NIGHT 4:00pm-6:00pm
 - Joint PTO/SAC Meeting in Café @ 6:00pm. District Presentation
- Thursday, October 17th
 - MS VOLLEYBALL AWAY @ TCA (Girls at 5:30pm and boys to follow)
 - Final day of 1st Quarter (adjusted per district)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20th from 1-4pm is PVA'S FALL FESTIVAL! A FREE COMMUNITY EVENT! COME ON OUT WITH THE FAMILY!

<u>On the Radar:</u>

- <u>Tuesday, October 22nd</u>
 - MS VOLLEYBALL HOME vs. VRA (Girls at 5:30pm and boys to follow)
- Wednesday, October 23rd
 - Report Cards go live (adjusted per district)
- Thursday, October 24th
 - Red Ribbon Week KICKS OFF! Wear your NEON!
 - MS VOLLEYBALL AWAY @ TCA (Girls at 5:30pm and boys to follow)
- Friday, October 18th
 - Red Ribbon Week TACKY HAIR AND WACKY CLOTHES!

That's all for now, Bobcats. See you SUNDAY!

Be well,

Zach

