

A View from the Valley

Palm Valley Academy: Week of 9/30 – 10/4

Dear PVA Families,

We have had a wonderful month of September at Palm Valley, and I can hardly believe we are already into the month of October, and quickly nearing the end of first quarter. In addition to academics, we have many fun and exciting happenings on deck as our volleyball teams and our other SJMSAA sports teams continue their seasons of competition.

October's Character Counts pillar of focus is Responsibility and it's also the month we participate in our annual Red Ribbon Week activities. Our school counselors have many fun activities planned to promote our commitment to being educated, staying healthy, and making good decisions to ensure our bright futures! (see the RRW flyer below)

In addition, our wonderful PTO is sponsoring and putting together some big events for our Bobcats this month, including Book Fair from Oct. 7 - Oct. 18 and PVA'S 2nd Annual FALL FESTIVAL & TRUNK-OR-TREAT, a FREE community event set for Sunday Oct. 20 from 1:00 - 4:00pm. You won't want to miss this!

Finally, we hope everyone is continuing to stay safe and healthy as we move into a new season and fared well last week during the storm. Our hearts, thoughts and prayers remain with all of you who have family, friends, and/or any other connections to those who were not so fortunate. The devastation was widespread, and this looks to be something many will be recovering from for quite some time. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to assist.

Take care and best wishes for a fabulous Fall and a memorable month of October.

Mr. Strom

PVA School Principal

INFO FOR ALL (K-8)

School Advisory Council Meeting – Tuesday, Oct. 1st @ 4:00pm

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. Join us to discuss PVA's 2024-2025 School Improvement Plan and the progress we are making towards our goals, along with other important topics and discussions. We hope to see you there.

A Message of Safety from Deputy Wilson (3 of 3)

Hello parents, guardians and friends of Bobcats! We are still in hurricane season, and I want to convey a few helpful hints for storm preparedness.

- Hand-crank radios are a great way to keep up to date with changing weather without batteries. Look for models which also have a "weather band" so you can always get the latest NOAA updates. (KHB39 - 162.550, SAME CODE 012109 for SJC, 012031 for Duval)
- Keep your vehicle gas tank topped off or no less than $\frac{3}{4}$ tank as a storm starts heading this way. Lines are always long at the last minute. Get an emergency first aid kit to keep in your vehicle. If you have a truck, keep a tow strap and a moving blanket handy under the back seat.
- Non-perishable food items are great to stock up on, well before the threat is imminent. Consider freeze-dried "bug out rations" too. Many companies offer containers of food about the size of a 5-gallon bucket, which can feed a family for up to 72 hours.
- Fill your bathtubs with water before the power goes out and water treatment plants go offline.
- Never run your generator indoors or within 20' of your eaves or garage opening. Carbon monoxide gas is odorless and poisonous.

For more information, you can visit Florida Division of Emergency Management

at: <https://www.floridadisaster.org/planprepare/hurricane-supply-checklist/>

Stay safe Bobcats!

Deputy Wilson

PVA Band Boosters Spirit Night @ THE LOOP!

Next Tuesday, Oct. 8th is PVA Band Spirit Night at The Loop **from 4pm to 8pm**. A percentage of The Loop's proceeds will go straight to our boosters in order to help provide new instruments and music to our students. However, for your purchase to qualify for the event you must mention the PVA band at checkout. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

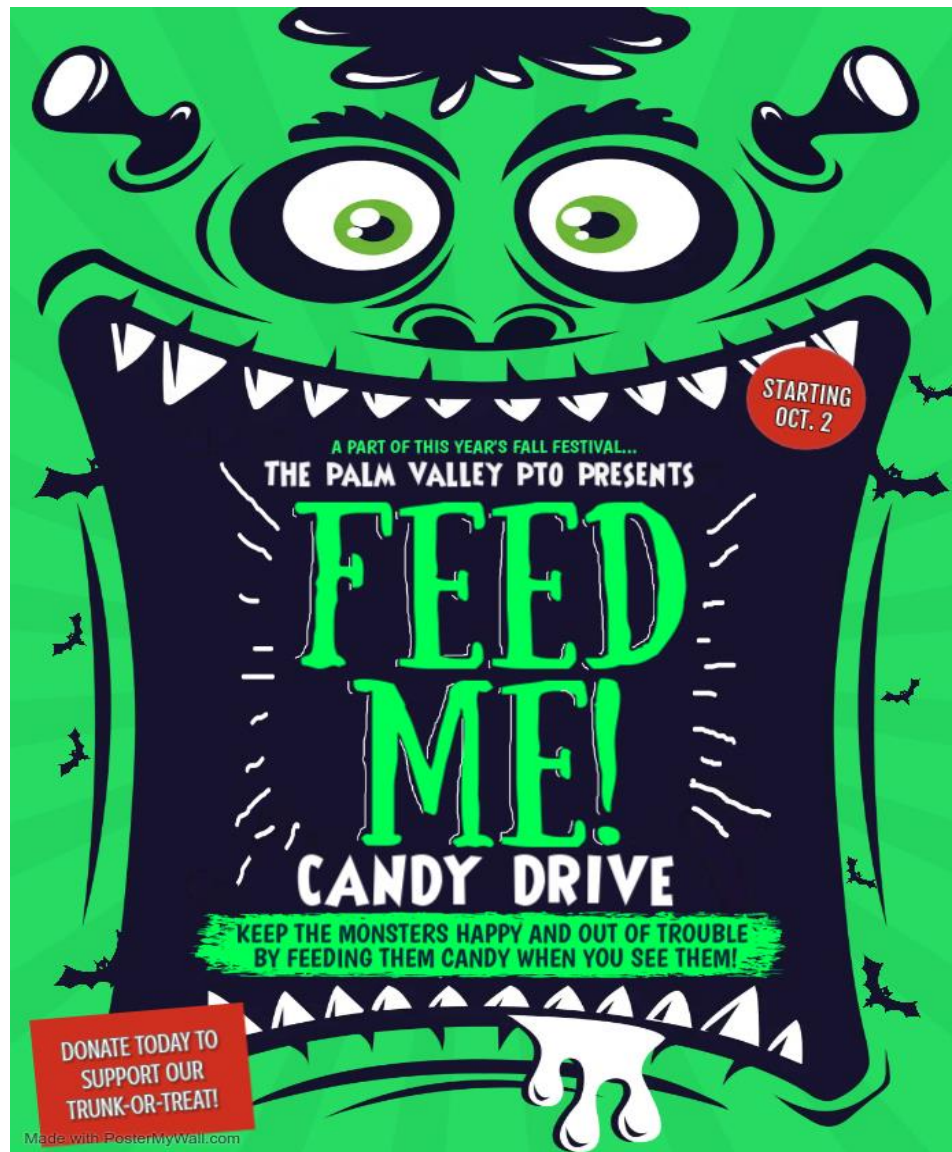
**PALM VALLEY
ACADEMY BAND
BOOSTER
SPIRIT NIGHT
TUES., OCT 8
4-8 PM**

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL
THE LOOP WILL GIVE US **15% BACK**
ON OUR SALES WHEN
PALM VALLEY ACADEMY BAND BOOSTER
IS MENTIONED WHEN YOU ORDER.
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THE LOOP — NOCATEE LOCATION ONLY!

Fall Festival CANDY DRIVE!

Starting Wednesday morning Oct. 2nd and running through Friday, Oct. 18th we are facilitating a CANDY DRIVE so we are fully prepared this month's Fall Festival (Oct. 20th) and specifically the Trunk-or-Treat event. 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... as long as 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, write the name of your child's homeroom teacher on a candy bag 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 going to be an amazing community event later this month.



PTO HAPPENINGS (ALL GRADES)

- Charleston Wrap Fundraiser is ongoing! See below. With over 2,500 gift ideas there is something for everyone on your holiday gift list which means your support can really help us reach our goal! Be sure to REGISTER online today at www.registercw.com and START SHARING our fundraiser with your family and friends! Once you register, text, email, and share our fundraiser on social media! Kiddos will win prizes for registering, sharing, items sold, and the most items sold in the school!!
- SAVE THE DATE – PVA Bookfair is 10/7 – 10/18. [Volunteer to assist HERE!](#)



UPCOMING DATES OF NOTE:

- Tuesday, October 1st
 - SAC Meeting @ 4:00pm in the Library
 - MS VOLLEYBALL AWAY @ PIA (Girls at 5:30pm and boys to follow)
- Wednesday, October 2nd
 - FALL FESTIVAL CANDY DRIVE STARTS!
 - Early Release
- Thursday, October 3rd
 - DAY 1 Health Screenings K, 1st, 3rd, 6th Grades. Info and details to come.
 - MS VOLLEYBALL AWAY @ Lakeside Academy (Girls at 5:30pm and boys to follow)
- Friday, October 4th
 - DAY 2 Health Screenings K, 1st, 3rd, 6th Grades. Info and details to come.

On the Radar:

- Monday, October 7th
 - Bookfair Begins
- Tuesday, October 8th
 - MS VOLLEYBALL AWAY @ POA (Girls at 5:30pm and boys to follow)
- Wednesday, October 9th
 - EARLY RELEASE
- Friday, October 11th
 - First Quarter Ends

PVA's FALL FESTIVAL is Sunday, October, 20th

RED RIBBON WEEK is Oct. 24th - Oct. 31st. See Flyer Below!



That's all for now Bobcats. Have a great week!

Zach

PVA Vision Statement

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