

A View from the Valley

Palm Valley Academy: Week of 2/17 – 2/22

Dear PVA Families,

Despite the cold and the rain aside, I hope everyone enjoyed the weekend. When time allows, please read the below so you are aware of all the school happenings that are ahead.

Wishing everyone a fantastic week. Stay safe, stay engaged, and as always, GO BOBCATS!

Mr. Strom

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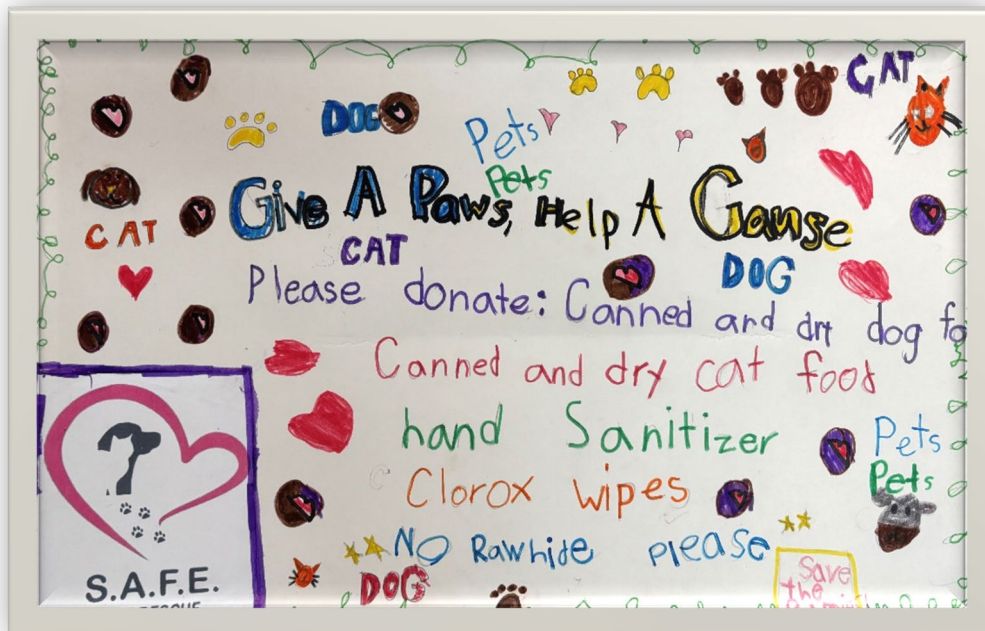
We Achieve Success.

We are PVA!

INFO FOR ALL (K-8)

ONGOING - PVA's February Service Project – PAWS for a Cause!

For this month's service project, the 1st grade students have organized a supply drive to benefit S.A.F.E. Pets in St. Johns County. They are promoting the February Character Counts! Pillar CARING, along with KINDNESS and LOVE for the cats, dogs, kittens, and puppies in need in our county. Their drive runs from now through February 28th. While S.A.F.E. Pets will accept all dry and wet food, they are specifically in need of IAMS Proactive Health, Friskies Pate, and Purina One. They are also in need of Clorox Wipes, Paper Towels, Trash Bags, and Hand Sanitizer. Thank you for your help in spreading the message of CARING, KINDNESS, and LOVE to our furry friends who give nothing BUT unconditional love. Please see the flyer made by our 1st graders below for additional details.



ATTENTION Palm Valley Academy Families! THE BOLT IS COMING!

We're excited to introduce this year's main fundraiser, the Bobcat Bolts. Our goal this year is to raise \$85,000 for continuing to build our culture of kindness and student success through new schoolwide technology, staff education, and school improvements to benefit ALL students at Palm Valley Academy. We're excited for this fundraising experience because it offers 3 important things to our school community: a user-friendly fundraising platform, a character enrichment program and a fitness-focused event that includes ALL of our students. As a family, you will work together asking friends and family to donate on your student's Donation Page at MyBooster.com. The best part is, you can still support our school just by SHARING about the fundraiser! Students will also experience an amazing character enrichment program called "Castle Quest", teaching students about how to be brave and live with character.

Key dates to remember:
Sign Up Online at MYBOOSTER.COM
02/03/2025
Fundraiser Kickoff Day in school
02/20/2025
Event Day
02/28/2025

Early registration is officially open!! Head over to mybooster.com and register for the Bobcat Bolt for free!!!! Registering early will get you the following:

- 1) Your name will be entered into a drawing to win a \$50 Amazon Gift card
- 2) Your student will be eligible to be picked to participate in an activity during the Bobcat Bolt our pep rally February 20
- 3) If 90% of your class registers, your student's teacher will receive a coffee and sweet treat courtesy of The Coffee Peddler

Register for free now up until February 19 for a chance to win!!!

ELEMENTARY INFO (K-5)

Parent Volunteer Opportunities

We are seeking parent volunteers to assist in the lunchroom. This is a wonderful opportunity to engage with our school community and support our students during lunchtime.

TIME COMMITMENT:

- SESSION 1- 10:15-11:00
- SESSION 2- 11:00-11:45

If you are interested in volunteering, please sign-up using the following link - [SIGN-UP HERE!](#)

MIDDLE SCHOOL INFO (6-8)

Parent Volunteer Opportunities

We need your help! The PBIS Store is looking for Parent Volunteers to assist with operations and help students shop for rewards. This is a great opportunity to support our school and encourage positive behaviors among our students. -

TIME COMMITMENT:

- SESSION 1- 11:40-12:40pm
- SESSION 2- 12:40-1:30pm

If you are interested in volunteering, please sign-up using the following link - [SIGN-UP HERE!](#)

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MARCH 03 - 07

• *Monday*

Holiday Day

Dress up for your favorite holiday!

• *Tuesday*

Swap Day

Teachers dress like students!
Students dress like teachers!

• *Thursday*

Recreate a Picture Day

Bring a photo of yourself as a kid and try to recreate the picture with similar clothes!

• *Wednesday*

Blackout Day

Wear Black!

Pep Rally during PAWS!
Tailgate after school!
Basketball Games!

• *Friday*

College Day

Wear your college colors and gear!

PRIZES FOR TAILGATE AND BEST DRESSED!

8TH GRADE BANNERS WILL BE IN HALLS ALL WEEK!



Spirit Week!

PVA Middle School

\$200 IN PRIZES FOR WINNERS OF THE KNOCKOUT TOURNAMENT SPONSORED BY KING OF POPS



BASKETBALL TAILGATE

WEDNESDAY MARCH 5TH, 2025

4:15PM TO 5:15PM

FREE CHICK FIL A SANDWICHES! PERFORMANCE BY THE PVA DANCE TEAM



SCAN TO SIGNUP AND FOR MORE INFO

IT'S A BLACKOUT. WEAR A BLACK SHIRT FOR FREE ENTRY.

PVA Spring 8th Grade Athlete Recognition



Dear 8th Grade Athlete Families,

Do you have an 8th grade athlete participating in a sport this Spring? If so, we are continuing our new banner tradition. We are thrilled to invite you to join us the week of March 3rd in celebrating your incredible student-athlete during **Middle School Spirit Week!** Let's make it a week to remember with two exciting events coming up designed to honor their hard work, dedication, and team spirit.

1. Create a Surprise Banner for Your Athlete – February 18th-28th 🏆 (Floor to Ceiling Banners!)

Show your student-athlete how proud you are by decorating a personalized banner just for them! These banners will line the main hallway leading to the gym throughout Spirit Week

We'll provide the basics—vertical colored butcher paper with a photo of your athlete—and the rest is up to you! Use your own creative touch with supplies like glue, scissors, photos, and decorations to make the banner uniquely theirs.

Banner Decorating Timeline:

- **Wednesday, February 12th:** Athletes will report to the gym before school in jersey for picture.
- **Tuesday, February 18th:** Pictures and banners will be available for pickup in the front office. Banners need to be dropped back off at the school by **Friday, February 28th.**
- **Optional Decorating Times at School:** If anyone is interested in creating your banner at school, the cafeteria will be open on the following dates and times. Please bring your own supplies. - **Friday, February 21st from 4-6pm OR Saturday, February 22nd from 9am-12pm**
- **Saturday, March 1st:** Banners will be hung up in main hallway by PTO volunteers to be displayed all of Spirit Week!

2. 8th Grade Athlete Recognition at the last PVA Basketball Home Game 🏀

On **Wednesday, March 5th, at 5:30 PM**, we'll take a moment before our PVA home game to recognize **ALL 8th grade Spring athletes**. Come a little early to stroll the main hallway to see all the banners!

This special evening will also include a dedicated ceremony for our basketball players, as it's their **8th Grade Night**. Plus, we have a **middle school tailgate** before the game to kick off the fun.

We can't wait to see you and celebrate these outstanding athletes during this exciting week! Your participation will make these moments even more meaningful for your student-athlete.

Thank you for your support and spirit—let's make it a week to remember!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. Zapata at Ashley.Zapata@stjohns.k12.fl.us

With Excitement,

Palm Valley Academy

THIS WEEK'S DATES OF NOTE:

- Tuesday, Feb. 18th
 - SAC MEETING (Rescheduled from 2/4) @ 4:00pm
- Wednesday, Feb. 19th
 - Early Release
 - Character Counts Breakfast @ 7:30am
 - General PTO Meeting @ 6:00pm in the Café
 - Middle School Info Night
 - All rising Middle Schoolers @ 6:30pm
 - Rising 6th Graders (Current 5th) to follow
- Thursday, Feb. 20th
 - PVA Basketball AWAY @ FCA. Girls tip-off at 5:30pm with boys to follow.

UPCOMING DATES OF NOTE: 8TH GRADERS IN DC 2/23-2/28

- Monday, Feb. 24th
 - Bobcat Bolt ongoing!
- Wednesday, Feb. 26th
 - Early Release
- Friday, Feb. 28th
 - Elementary BOBCAT BOLT!
 - K-1: 9:00am
 - 2-3: 12:00pm
 - 4-5: 1:30pm

That's all for this week!

Sincerely,

Zach Strom

PVA School Principal



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